

MISSIONS connection

January 23, 2019

Birthdays:

January: 28 - Chad Keeter

February: 7 - Mitchell Hollis 10 - Mark Yoho
15 - Paige Queen

Thomas, Paige, Elizabeth & Jacob Queen

South Africa:
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It's full on summer here right now. Getting up into the high 90's and 100's a lot during the week. Pray we don't melt, HA!

We have a very important meeting Tuesday with the acting principal at Sibongombomvu to discuss how we can partner with them this year. Please pray for favor with Mr. Dabie. Also pray the teachers get a schedule time table set soon so we can begin and know our time slots.

House visits were a great time of reunion last week. Paige got to see Staffie for the first time in months. Her broken leg is healing nicely. She is having a lot of pain at night. Pray for the medication donated to her helps. Also we are teaching on the New Testament authors this month. Pray for those lessons to be understandable for the people. The people loved the donated eye glasses, sewing kits, and potholders GLBC folks sent. Thank you all so very much!

Please pray for wisdom with for the Ethembeni board. The financial picture is not what one would hope for so tough decisions have to be made if donations don't pick up soon. This just means that only work that is cost neutral could continue which house visits wouldn't be affected but some interpreters would not be paid. Pray for God to prune and bless according to His perfect will.

Please pray for Paige's dad still. The esophageal stent is working but causing a lot of hiccups. Pray the hiccups resolve soon. Also, for Paige's dad to really enjoy eating again with no nausea and for an increase in appetite.

Jacob is having a great first week of school. He likes his classes, new water polo coaches and his water polo team even won! Elizabeth is enjoying student teaching so far. Pray that continues. We ask that God use them both mightily for His gospel to spread this year.

That's the news from South Africa. Please keep those prayers coming. They mean so much!

Run for God:

Mitchell & Holly Hollis, Dalton, GA

We are so thankful for your prayers, church family. We are seeing lives changed and decisions being made for Christ every day. God is at work in this ministry as Instructors everywhere are sharing His love and the message of His saving grace. Thank you for being a part of this amazing journey with Run for God.
The Run for God Team

BJABC

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As most people, we have been reflecting on the goodness of our Father over the past year. His hand has been evident in the difficult and the blessings. And we are now seeing many things coming to fruition that we have all been pr@ying for!

- Last week a portion of our team was moved to the countryside! We are still working on another house for the rest of our team.
- We have 2 volunteers helping us complete a container house to serve as a place for teams, interns, and workers. This will be complete by the end of this month.
- We will be welcoming an Ag Intern from Iowa at the end of this month. He will be with us for 6 months, working at the dairy.
- In the next month we will start a new goat project in a new area. We have completed a new barn at a new site. Please ask for hearts to be prepared as we start with 12 new ladies.
- B had a successful surgery on his shoulder after Christmas. He is recovering very well. We are so thankful for such good healthcare from our Company.
- Health for a family on our team, just before their move their children were hit with lots of sickness. They are all well and have moved to the countryside.

Chad & Emily Keeter

Navigators Ministry Staff

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Thank you for hosting our men's retreat this past weekend there at Grove Level! The women also had their retreat at a house on Lake Oconee. Although Emily and I didn't get to attend either retreat, it's been great to hear how both of them served to give time of fellowship and vulnerability among students of the same gender. One of our prayers for these retreats is that our students would have a concentrated exposure to what it looks like to be a man or a woman of God. We also use these retreats as a spring board for further vulnerability back on campus. In the coming weeks, my coworker Doug and I will invite the guys in our ministry to be a part of a sexual integrity group. Would you pray for our efforts in this? One of our key prayers for our students is that they would walk in sexual wholeness. Thank you for praying with us in this! Thank you also for continuing to pray for our little Caleb! He's healing up from his procedure on his mouth last week, and he's been doing so well! It's such a joy to be his parents! We love you all, and we're so grateful for your prayers!

Bryan & Brittany Kelly

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This week I have been at a Conference in Atlanta for our WinShape Summer Camp. We are headed back to Etown now. Pray for me and my team as we travel today. But, also as we head home to apply the things we learned. This week we talked about the WHO we do camp for. We do camp for the kids in our community....but it's all for HIM. He is the who we do it for! To bring glory to our Savior. Pray that we keep our eyes on Him and that we trust Him! Pray for Bryan as he has a busy load at work and school. We love and miss you all.

Brian & Ashley Jones
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So the holiday season was a whirlwind for us! We closed on our house the 20th of December, the 19th I had gallbladder surgery, the 23rd we drove to GA, came back the 27th and moved the 29th. BUT we managed to survive it all, and we had my wonderful mother come for a week to help us with the move. Ashley has slowed down with her classes for this and at least the next seminar. Continue to pray that we seek God's guidance and His will during this process. Pray that we rely on God's strength to get the house unpacked and ready for when Sophie gets here in April. Both Ashley and the baby are doing well! The Drs are a little concerned with Ashley's blood sugar numbers, but otherwise she's doing fine! Thank God for that!

David, Kellie Crowe & Family
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Crowe's—We praise God for how He has directed us in the employment He has given to us by allowing Kellie to now be working at Virginia Highlands Community College as their marketing director. We still have our business, and God has given us a lady to handle what Kellie was doing, and it has both lessened Kellie's work load as well as increased our business capacity. We also now have benefits, which we have not had in almost 20 years.

Grace—We are in the process of bringing all of our prayer ministries into a more effective means with a deepening of prayer content and purpose. Pray for those seeking the Lord in this endeavor. We are also beginning our second round of one-to-one discipling in a week or so. Our elders were blessed and encouraged to lead these seven men in our congregation. We will be using Jerry Marcellino's book "Rediscovering Family Worship". Pray for the men leading and for each man they will disciple to become the "pastors" of their own homes. All of the men so far are bearing testimony to how beneficial this ministry is in their lives. We praise the Lord for that!

Thank you for praying for these needs. We need your intercession.

Justin & Sara Silvers
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Continue to pray for direction and understanding. There are times during my valley walk that I'm unsure I'm doing anything right. I am constantly second guessing everything that I've done in the last 6 months. I know I did what was right, but the pain will not let me go. Thanks for all you do for me. It means more than you know.

Mark & Gynnette Yoho
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Spending time in prayer is a most revealing time. The past two weeks Gynnette and I have been spending time in prayer and relaxing in Florida. As always, one of the greatest things revealed to us in our prayer retreat was the fact that we need to pray more. During our time of prayer, people began to call inviting us to minister with them. One of those calls invited us to come and share with the Children's Ministry at Belmont Baptist Church in Calhoun this Sunday morning. I am planning to write a paint board sermon for this Outreach. We have an Outreach coming up the following weekend that we've been praying about for a long time. I will be going to Atlanta probably Thursday for outreach at the Super Bowl activities. This year again I will partner with Sports Fan Outreach Ministry for three intense days of Outreach. I will be spending quite a bit of time in my office preparing sermons to preach on the street for this Outreach. Please pray for these two outreaches. I've already begun planning for Mardi Gras at the end of February. Also, I'm finishing up a gospel tract that I started last fall. Thank you for your prayers and support for our ministry as we learn to pray more and see God do greater things. Blessings, Gynnette and Mark

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I would greatly appreciate your prayers!! Work is extremely hard and stressful right now. To the point that I really struggle to walk in the door in the morning. Please pray for strength and a newfound joy in it!

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