

MISSIONS connection

March 4, 2020

Birthdays:

March	6 Brent Rickman	11 Kellie Crowe
	29 Brodie Rickman	29 Landon Hollis

Thomas, Paige, Elizabeth & Jacob Queen

South Africa; Suite H17, P/Bag X9118, Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, 3200

Hello from blazing hot South Africa!

We have a lot going on this week. We are going to begin the first Sunday morning kids Sunday school in the community of Cedara this Sunday March 8.

- Please pray for our wisdom in planning this new ministry.
- Pray for lots of volunteers to help run the classes.
- Pray for good weather and a permanent venue for it. For now, we will use the primary school's property.
- Pray for the kids attending to become followers of Jesus and for their adult family members to come to know Christ too.

We are having Internet issues at the moment which is making it difficult to communicate here. Please pray for those to resolve quickly.

Elizabeth flies Thursday to see us for 10 days and to resolve a visa issue here. She has gotten a cold. Please pray for her cold to improve quickly so her traveling here goes smoothly. She has two midterms this week as well.

Paige's mom is having sciatic issues so pray for her to get better soon. Please continue to pray for our health to because we have a lot to do in ministry this week.

That's the update for this week. Love you all so much.

God bless and keep you,

We love you all!

Bryan & Brittany Kelly

Brittany is the preschool director at Severns Valley where Bryan is the pastor associate; 162 Dorothy Drive, 2G, Elizabethtown, KY 42701

Thank you for the prayers! We are so thankful to have you guys as our prayer partners! Please be praying for Britt and her team as they are starting to prepare for VBS and Winshape Camp. Pray for me as I am balancing work and school. Please be praying for our church as we are learning what our community needs and are preparing our members to go out and help with those needs. Also pray for our church as we have start the process of looking for our next Lead Pastor.

Hannah Kelly

(Mark & Suzanne Kelly's granddaughter)

Wycliffe Bible Translators

teaching Missionary Kids in Southeast Asia to support Bible Translation.

Praise:

A seems to be doing some better recently. I'm thankful that He can carry all the things we can't. I have tickets to come home and visit at the end of May! Whoohoo! God is providing open doors for me to continue having gospel conversations with Betty.

Prayer:

Ongoing:

Betty's salvation

Peace/truth to rule in A's heart daily. Wisdom for me as I listen and pray

All of our high school students and a lot of teachers/admin are still on the school's annual "Outdoor Education" trip. Pray that they can finish up well and make it back home to Sentani safely this coming Friday. Pray that the m's who work in that village would have wisdom as they continue to live and work with the Kosarek people on an ongoing basis.

Please also pray for our school's general health (we have had a lot of people out sick). Pray that we will all be able to trust in God's sovereignty over the Corona Virus and the plans that He has for us. On a personal note, please pray that I will still be able to come home at the end of May, Lord willing.

Pray that I would lead and work with other teachers with wisdom and a humble heart

Thank you very much for your prayers! I am praying for your family, and Grove Level as well.

Troy & Lille Poe

*student at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
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Thank you for continuing to pray for us..

Justin & Sara Silvers

Pastor at Buffalo Lick Baptist Church in Cadiz, KY

Things are progressing greatly as we study for revival, and our people are starting to catch the vision God has given me and the church. Please be in prayer for me as I have to meet with a surgeon soon for a medical issue that should be small and outpatient, but I will not know until I get in touch with them. Continue to pray for growth and that we grow in the right ways. Thank you for all that you do for us, and we are so excited for the end of the month!!!

B.Jabc

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Team - This week a family is visiting with our team to consider partnering in a more intentional way. The husband is a veterinarian and would meet a critical need for our team and its projects. Please ask that the Father would provide clarity for this family and our team as to what next steps we should take together.

Beneficiaries - Over the next few weeks our team will be meeting with our goat beneficiaries to check on the goats and to spend some focused time in their communities. Ask for the Father to prepare the hearts of people, families, and communities to hear and receive the truth of the Son.

NT Scripture - Our national friends continue to work hard to finish the checks needed to be completed in order to gain approval for the translation team to pass along the material to begin printing. Ask that for the Father's favor in these final steps so that we can start the next process of getting the NT into the hands of the Sparrow church in the Sparrow language.

Josh & Kelsey Ellison

"Go and Make Ministries"

www.goandmakeministry.org

We had a cool opportunity present itself this past week. We had previously loaned our extra car since I had gotten a new one to one of Kelsey's friends who didn't have one. Well she ended up being able to save enough to buy one and then wanted to give ours back to us. We weren't sure what we were going to do with it. Kelsey and girls went to CFA one morning and the girls were playing and Kelsey was reading her bible. This lady came up and asked what church she went to. So they started talking and she was asking all kinds of questions like how do I know when God is speaking to me. She does attend a local church but was just having a rough time. Eventually she brought up that she had gotten a job but didn't have a car to get there. Kelsey immediately realized God was working here and was like hey we have one. So we were able to give that to her this past weekend. So if y'all just want to pray for her, her name is Taysha.

Michael & Holley & Ellis Richardson

Taking Seminary, 2704 Pine Manor Ln, Albany, GA 31707

This semester will hopefully be Michael's final semester at Southeastern. His increased workload has brought increased stress as he is taking three classes: Hebrew 2, Baptist History, and Homiletics. Pray for perseverance and wisdom to balance all that is on his plate. Holley is continuing to work with students at Albany State. Continue to ask for gospel fruit there. Ellis continues to be a blessing to our family. He is learning and growing so fast. We are grateful for the Lord's provision and are also thankful for your faithfulness to lift up our family before the Lord.

Run for God:

*Mitchell & Holly Hollis
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Thank you for your prayers church family. We had a decision for Christ this week!

We are working on Run for God Run Club and so excited about what we have to offer those who choose to be a part of it. This Club will include digging into God's word, run training plans, devotions and much more. It is our prayer that this Run Club become the Largest Run Club in America. Wouldn't that be Amazing? Keep Praying Grove Level!

Thank you for your faithfulness!

-The Run for God Team

Chad & Emily Keeter

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My message at Nav Night went well last week. Thank you for praying for it! I was also grateful for you prayers as I met with Robert last week to invite him to read the Bible. I was disappointed that he turned down the invitation, but I'm continuing to pray for God to move in Robert's life. I've been encouraged this past week by several guys in our ministry taking steps toward deeper relationship with Christ by joining our sexual integrity study. Would you pray for much fruit to come from that? I'd also love your prayers as we ramp up our evangelistic efforts on campus. We're hoping to have more initiative conversations on campus and to start investigative Bible discussions in a few dorms. Thank you for your prayers!

David, Kellie Crowe & Family

*Bi-vocational pastor at Grace Fellowship in Abingdon VA,
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Thank you so much for your diligence in praying for us and others. Crowe's — Tiffany is doing well and settled in to our home. God has provided a very good care-giver along with our daughter Grace who helps 2-3 days a week while she homeschools. Continue to earnestly and fervently pray for Alex to stay at Wears Valley Ranch. For him to come back here would be detrimental to his progress and maturing growth.

We are as busy as we have ever been, yet God is continuing to show us His faithfulness and give to us strength and enabling grace for each day. Pray for us to continue to trust Him and rest upon Him. Grace Christian Fellowship— pray for our wonderful Administrative Assistant as she has decided to not work anymore and instead spend time with her grandchildren. Pray for our elders as we seek the Lord on what to do in her absence. Whether to continue with the position or to streamline and autodraft most things...and spread the rest of the minimal duties among others.

Pray for us as we seek to "deepen" our corporate time of worship. We are trying to "do" too many things in our short time together. We need God's help in knowing what to continue and what to let our small groups handle (missions videos, announcements and such). We want to keep our focus on worshipping the Lord, and we are "stopping and starting" too often, and it is causing distractions and loss of focus and attention. We really need the Lord's help and guidance in this matter. Thank y'all so much for loving us through prayer.

Brian & Ashley Jones

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We were able to connect with a local endocrinologist that will partner with Dr Miller in Florida. She immediately increased her growth hormone dosage - so that is a huge praise. The local endo is even a Christian!!

One thing to pray for is our switching from our old insurance to new is now getting complicated. There are countless hrs each week I'm calling the new insurance and providers and pharmacies trying to sort out proof of diagnosis and letters of recommendation. Our poor providers have faxed over the same things a million times. Unfortunately, this new switch of insurance also means our bills are more costly now.

Overall- gross motor and communication are the biggest areas of prayer for Sophie Jane. Besides God doing a miracle and closing up the hole in her heart.

For Brian, he's getting a lot of over time at work which is awesome that God is providing but he's also very tired.

For all of us- to put Christ first and focus on each day one at a time. To have a heart of gratitude, especially as we are emotional as it gets close to Sophie's birthday- grieving what we thought her first year would be while also rejoicing for her being here and how much progress she has made! We love y'all and are SO thankful for you

Mark & Gynnette Yoho

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Last week when it was time to give my update I was traveling from New Orleans to home, so I wasn't able to give you much information about what happened on our Mardi Gras Outreach. I'll take this opportunity to share a little more. Our Outreach consisted of 49 men coming from 18 different states across the US. The gospel was shared through street preaching, paint board preaching, personal witnessing, and gospel tract distribution. It is estimated that 40,000 gospel tracts were handed out. To our knowledge there were twenty-four people who made a profession of faith in Jesus Christ. Our night Outreach was always at an intersection on Bourbon Street. We would carry a cross about 12 to 15 ft. tall with us. On two different occasions we had people attempting to tear the cross down. And, yes, there was opposition and those who blasphemed. But they are not the reason that we go. We also believe that through prayer there are people who are interested in talking about their Eternal destiny and other spiritual matters. I had a young American-born man walk up to me on Fat Tuesday and ask me: "What's this all about?" As I began to share the gospel with him, I realized that he had never heard this before. A young Hispanic couple walked up to me, and she just simply said. "Talk to me; tell me what this is all about." With an extremely foul mouth, she began to tell me that she was Christian, and her husband was Catholic. I shared gospel truth with both of them and let them know that they both needed to be saved. Some profound truth was revealed to me while I was there as well. There is a friend of mine from a different Ministry group that I meet in New Orleans each year; his name is Kevin Martin. I have known him for 10 years as a very committed Christian and strong witness for Christ. He went home to Michigan on Wednesday morning, attended church that night and died of a massive heart attack the following night. What a great reminder that we need to do all that we can while we can, for we know not the day when our Lord will call us home. Church stay busy for Jesus. Thanks for your prayer and support!
Gynnette and Mark

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