



## **Mission: Possible! Prayer Guide**

### **Introduction**

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**On Mission for God!**

Welcome to this special week of prayer to engage with missionaries in the different regions around the world. As God opens your heart to the needs of those on the mission field, we pray this week will be a launching pad that turns praying for missionaries into a regular practice.

We each have an important role in the Great Mission. God calls many to leave the comfort of their home, family, and friends to go to the nations and share the gospel of Jesus Christ. God also calls others to support financially, prayerfully, and in other creative ways. God has a great plan to use you to help complete his mission of making his name known among the nations as you participate through prayer.

As you engage with the heart of God in prayer for missions and missionaries, God will begin to reveal different areas missionaries need your faithful prayer support: spiritually, emotionally, and relationally. We pray that this six-day Prayer Guide will cause a deep stirring in your heart to know how to support those answering the call to GO.

Because many missionaries and missionary families are called to a country not their own,

they are faced with many new and unexpected challenges, doubts, fears, and struggles. They face spiritual battles, cultural and language barriers, and physical danger and exhaustion. They need your prayer to face each day with wisdom, grace, and strength. Share your prayer focus for the day with the **Mission: Possible! Facebook Group** ([www.facebook.com/groups/omgmp/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/omgmp/)).

Welcome to the Great Mission! 🌍

## **Recommended Resources**

### • **Global Strategy Missions Graphic**

At the end of this document

### • **Prayer Calendar**

You can continue to pray for missions all year by going to

[www.chogglobal.org/prayer](http://www.chogglobal.org/prayer)

### • **Praying for Your Missionary**

By Eddie Byun

[www.amazon.com/dp/B07JQ2HDZ6](http://www.amazon.com/dp/B07JQ2HDZ6)

### • **Operation World: The Definitive Prayer Guide to Every Nation**

By Jason Mandryk

[www.amazon.com/dp/B00QKKJ96K](http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00QKKJ96K)

### • **The Key to the Missionary Problem**

By Andrew Murray

[www.amazon.com/dp/B0092TN8FO](http://www.amazon.com/dp/B0092TN8FO)



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**Mission: Possible! Prayer Guide: Day 1**



**Region: Africa**

By John Johnson,  
Regional Coordinator for Africa

# *Today, I will pray for missions in Africa*

## **Background**

The Church of God has been in Africa since 1922 and currently consists of congregations all over sub-Saharan Africa in eighteen different countries. The Church of God in Africa exists in three subregions: West Africa (Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Liberia), East/Central Africa (Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda), Southern Africa (Angola, Botswana, Malawi, Mozambique, South Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe).

## **The Church of God in Africa**

330,105 Believers

2,772 Churches

18 Countries

## **On the field in Africa**

**John & Gwen Johnson**

Regional Coordinators

**Kaitlin Smith**

Missionary to Uganda

**Tim & Joy Coppess**

Missionaries to Botswana

**Bobby & Jenny Mihsill**

Missionaries to Côte d'Ivoire

**Larry & LeAnn Sellers**

Missionaries to Côte d'Ivoire

**Tim & Coleen Stevenson**

Missionaries to Uganda

**Corey & Abby Stocksdale**

Missionaries to Botswana

## **Areas of Prayer**

- Pray that God will stir up a hunger for him among the peoples on the continent of Africa and that the African church will prepare a rich, sustainable, and godly feast of goodness by modeling Kingdom commitments and values that are centered in Jesus.
- Pray that the church (both in the West and in Africa) will be generous, compassionate, and creative in addressing the needs of people whether they are Christ followers or not.
- Pray that missionaries, national leaders, and local pastors are attuned and eager to join God whenever and wherever they discern the Lord at work.
- Africa is in a place of great financial disparity. Wealth is held in the hands of a few and the majority of people struggle. Pray for justice and mercy to roll across Africa.
- May the church in Africa understand and then commit to a sending/going lifestyle: eager, equipped, and on mission for God in Africa and, indeed, around the world. 🌍



**Mission: Possible! Prayer Guide: Day 2**



**Region: Asia-Pacific**

By Don Armstrong,  
Regional Coordinator for Asia-Pacific &  
Pacific

# *Today, I will pray for missions in Asia-Pacific*

## **Background**

In 1895, a Christian from a Muslim background in the British colony of India, found a copy of *The Gospel Trumpet*, a Church of God publication. He wrote for more information, and over the course of time this man, Alla-ud-Din Kahn, came to understand and agree with the Church of God doctrines. A. D. Kahn, as he became known, went on to develop the Church of God in India and present-day Bangladesh. Similar experiences were had by Japanese, Korean, and Chinese Christians in the region.

In the Asia-Pacific region, we focus on training and mentoring national men and women who are called to the ministry. Missionaries walk alongside local congregations to help the countries attain their goals and mission.

## **Church of God in Asia-Pacific**

226,000 Believers

1,687 Congregations

23 Countries

## **On the Field in Asia-Pacific**

**Don & Caroline Armstrong**

Regional Coordinators

**Steven & Peggy Beverly**

Missionaries to Sri Lanka

**Gary & Gwen Bistritan**

Missionaries to Micronesia

**Bernie & Akiko Barton**

Missionaries to Japan

**Mike & Makiko Boyle**

Special Assignment Missionaries to Japan

**Kris & Megan Gilbert**

Missionaries to New Zealand

**Terence & Christy Van Dam**

Special Assignment Missionaries to Japan

**Mike Wagner**

Special Assignment Missionary to Japan

**Casey & Sharon Bernhardt**

Special Assignment Missionaries

## **Areas of Prayer**

- The size of the region, the number of countries, and the breadth of languages that are used throughout the continent make missions a challenge.
- While visiting and traveling was difficult before COVID-19, it is currently impossible.
- There is a couple preparing themselves to serve in Pakistan. 🌍



**Mission: Possible! Prayer Guide: Day 3**  
**Region: Caribbean-Atlantic**

# *Today, I will pray for missions in Caribbean-Atlantic*

## **Background**

The Church of God congregations on the English-speaking islands of the Caribbean form the Caribbean-Atlantic Assembly of the Church of God. Today, seventeen islands in the region participate.

Jamaican-born Phyllis Newby graduated from the School of Theology in Jamaica as a young lady. She went on to attend Anderson College in Anderson, IN. After graduation in 1972, she traveled to Port-au-Prince, Haiti, to begin fulfilling her call to missions. Her unwavering faith and courage led to the development of the independent missions organization Mission Haiti. She continues to fulfill her call while spreading the word of God. Phyllis Newby's mission is widely celebrated and supported among congregations of the National Association of the Church of God.

Mark and Kathy Fulton have been actively involved in Haiti since their first mission trip in 1993. As their trips to Haiti increased over the next twenty years, they knew that someday

God would call them to minister full time in Haiti. In 2014, Mark left his career as a dentist and Kathy left her career as a speech pathologist in the U.S. to assist with the hospital which they began with their Haitian colleagues in 2005.

The *Hôpital L'Eglise de Dieu Réformée* (Hospital of the Church of God) has a staff of 60 Haitians. The mission of the facility is to join in a healthcare alliance with the people of Haiti to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ.

## **Church of God in Caribbean-Atlantic**

45,330 Believers

413 Congregations

13 Countries

## **On the field in Caribbean-Atlantic**

### **Mark & Kathy Fulton**

Missionaries to Haiti

### **Phyllis Newby**

Missionary to Haiti, Independent

### **Caribbean Representative**

Lennox Boyce, Barbados

## **Areas of Prayer**

- Pray for spiritual coverage of the missionaries in Haiti who work with people in great need.
- Pray for the health and safety of the staff at *Hôpital L'Eglise de Dieu Réformée* in Saintard, Haiti, so they can continue to provide medical care to the people of Haiti in Jesus' name.
- Pray for churches and individuals to partner well with those serving in Haiti. 🌍



**Mission: Possible! Prayer Guide: Day 4**

**Region: Europe-Middle East**

By Patrick Nachtigall

Regional Coordinator for Europe-Middle East



# *Today, I will pray for missions in Europe-Middle East*

## **Background**

The Europe-Middle East region is an area of tremendous diversity that is served by Global Strategy missionaries known as the Three Worlds team. The 3W team members work both in their particular country and together on team projects in multiple countries.

The team focuses on three areas: Engaging young people in cross-cultural ministry. Supporting accountable and empowered leaders under the age of 45. Creating interconnectivity throughout Europe and the Middle East.

In many Church of God countries there is a lack of young leaders entering into ministry and a lack of cooperation across borders. By using the 3W Team and creating international youth networks and church-planting networks (Europe X), the region tackles challenges in a unified way.

In Eastern Europe there is soft persecution and prejudice against evangelical Christians, while in the Middle East conversion to Christianity can be illegal and dangerous. In Western

Europe, the majority of people don't practice any religion or believe in God. These are our greatest challenges.

## **Church of God in Europe-Middle East**

8,422 Believers

109 Churches

14 Countries

## **On the field in Europe-Middle East**

### **Patrick & Jamie Nachtigall**

Regional Coordinators

### **Nate & Stacey Tatman**

Associate Regional Coordinators

### **Kelley & Rhonda Philips**

Missionaries to Germany

### **Zachary & Audrey Langford**

Missionaries to the United Kingdom

### **Daniel & Christy Kihm**

Missionaries to Europe & the Middle East

### **Alejandro & Carmen De Francisco**

Missionaries to Spain

## **Areas of Prayer**

- Pray for the young leaders assuming leadership positions and expanding the church.
- Pray for the churches in the region as they face financial difficulty.
- Pray for the safety of the 3W team as they continue to travel and connect with each church in each country. 🌍



**Mission: Possible! Prayer Guide: Day 5**

**Region: Latin America**

By Abby Torgeson,

Regional Connector for Latin America



# *Today, I will pray for missions in Latin America*

## **Background**

Missions in Latin America began in the infancy stages of our movement when B. F. Elliott, the first known Church of God missionary, felt called to preach the gospel in Baja California, Mexico. From there, the movement spread across that country and throughout the region. In 1962, Latin America held its first regional conference and formed the leadership team of the Confraternidad Interamericana de la Iglesia de Dios (CIID). Today the CIID is a well-organized body responsible for leadership development and casting a vision for the Church of God in Latin America.

The missionaries in Latin America walk alongside the CIID and national churches to support and equip believers in the work that God has called them to do.

## **Church of God in Latin America**

70,972 Believers

798 Congregations

19 Countries

## **On the field in Latin America**

### **Jason & Abby Torgeson**

Regional Connectors

### **Alfonso & Elizabeth Ayala**

Special Assignment Missionaries to Belize

### **Deborah Hunnicutt**

Missionary to Honduras

### **Paul & Kattia Jones**

Missionaries to Bolivia

### **Norberto & Nancy Kurrle**

Special Assignment Missionaries to Paraguay

### **Jonathan & Beth Todd**

Missionaries to Brazil

### **Sarah Hunnicutt**

Missionary to Honduras

### **Aron & Melissa Thompson**

Missionaries-elect to Costa Rica

## **Areas of Prayer**

- Pray for the people of Latin America, many of whom have contracted COVID-19. Many more live under strict quarantine and are unable to work to provide for their families.
- Pray for the Church of God in Latin America as pastors and churches serve their congregations despite not being able to meet or collect resources to help families in need.
- Pray for our missionaries as they also live in quarantine and support national believers. Pray that they would stay healthy as the virus rages in Latin America.
- Pray for missionaries-elect Aron and Melissa Thompson, and their boys Isaac and Andrew, who are currently seeking financial partners as they prepare to serve in Costa Rica. 🇨🇷



**Mission: Possible! Prayer Guide: Day 6**  
**Region: North America**

# *Today, I will pray for missions in North America*

## **Church of God in North America**

250,000 Believers

2,123 Congregations

2 Countries

7 Native American Sites in the USA

## **On the field in North America**

**Tim & Kim Wardell**, Missionaries to Native Americans

## **Global Strategy Resource Center**

[www.chogglobal.org](http://www.chogglobal.org)

**Andrew Gale**, Executive Director

**Stephen R. Lewis**, Associate Director

**Elizabeth Miller**, Executive Assistant

**Joshua Weiger**, Donor Relations and Projects Coordinator

**Erin Rockhill**, Projects and Data Specialist

**Courtney Rice Alford**, Missionary Specialist

**Keith Spencer**, Missionary Specialist

**Alex Sheward**, Finance Specialist

## **Children of Promise**

<https://www.childrenofpromise.global>

**Mike & Heather Webb**, Directors

Children of Promise partners internationally with the Church of God in 30 countries.

More than 4,500 sponsored children receive education, nutritious food, medical care, and spiritual nurturing.

## **Christian Women Connection**

[www.christianwomenconnection.org](http://www.christianwomenconnection.org)

**Arnetta McNeese Bailey**, Director

Christian Women Connection is a national resource center that equips women's ministry. CWC's 15,000 women continue to be passionate about the Great Mission.

## **Helping Hands in Motion**

[www.helpinghandsinmotion.org](http://www.helpinghandsinmotion.org)

**Richard Fields**, Director

Since 1997, Helping Hands In Motion has been a support ministry that empowers missionaries and provides resources for effective ministry where God has called missionaries.

## **Areas of Prayer**

In North America, Native American ministry remains an important focus. Pray for laborers and committed partners. The Great Mission has always included more than those who GO and make disciples. The Bible describes a network of supporting people who provided resources for those on mission for God. Today, the Global Strategy team supports missionaries walking alongside the local church worldwide. Other organizations also partner with missionaries and ministry in the local church worldwide. This is the Great Mission! 🌍