

October 2020 Connections Christ Memorial Baptist Church



WORLD MISSION OFFERING MONTH

During the month of October, we will be celebrating our global servants and the World Mission Offering. The theme this year is **“I once was blind but now I see”**, taken from Mark 8:22-26. We have set a very reasonable goal of \$1,025.00. Remember this offering is an over and above offering of what you have pledged to the church. Please join us in praying with our global servants by following the prayer calendar in this newsletter. And pray about what you can give to support our international mission.



The month of October a few birthdays, but no anniversaries. Send a greeting to let them know you are thinking of them.

October 2 Dale Dobrinski,
Florene LeCompte
Abby Zahn
5 Marie Young
11 Caroline Snarsky
13 Oprah Adenaike



Items Needed for OCC

School Supplies: Pencil sharpeners, pencil cases, colored pencils, pens, etc.

Hygiene: Bar soap, washcloths, combs, brushes, small plastic drinking cups

The Mission Ministry team will still be packing shoeboxes, so if you have done any shopping for this project, please bring the items to the church before the end of October. We thank you for all of your support for this project.

Thank you also for all of those Redner's receipts. We just received a check for \$205.14 that will go toward postage.

SAVE THE DATE

FAMILY FALL BONFIRE

OCTOBER 24, 2020

5-9 PM-

OUTSIDE AT FIGUEROA HOME

1094 ARTIS DRIVE

DOVER

PRE-REGISTER with Pam Taylor



THANKSGIVING BASKETS

The Deacons will once again be putting together Thanksgiving Baskets for those in need. We will begin collecting food items for this project on November 1 and continue through the 15th. The following food items are needed... Instant potatoes, Boxed Stuffing mix, Gravy, Cranberry sauce, Canned vegetables (i.e., corn, green beans, peas & carrots or sweet potatoes), Cream of Mushroom soup, French's French Fried Onions, and dinner rolls. **NO PERISHABLES PLEASE!** The Deacons will provide a gift card to purchase whatever meat is desired by the family. Whatever is not used in the baskets will be donated to the Food Pantry.



World Mission Offering Prayer Calendar

1 Guide graduate students in Bolivia, Brazil, Mexico, and the U.S. as they learn to lead transformational churches that proclaim the gospel and care for the marginalized.

REV. JENNIFER T. PEDZINSKI, THAILAND

2 Dear Jesus, open our eyes to see those whom we find morally repugnant as your beloved children. Give us courage to gracefully love and care for them, as you would. Amen. Matthew 5:44: "I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."

LAURAN D. BETHELL, GLOBAL

3 Gracious Lord, we pray for those studying in the Latin American Master in Theological Studies program. Open their minds and hearts to your Spirit and empower them to use their training to build your kingdom in their local ministries.

REV. J.D. REED, JR., IBEROAMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

4 For the breath to fill our lungs, the bones to hold us together, and the flesh to make us move, we give you thanks, oh God! "Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom." (2 Corinthians 3:17)

MYLINDA BAITS, GLOBAL

5 Father, help me to see with your eyes the needs of those around me. I pray for clearer vision of the true need and strength of will to follow you into meeting those needs, through Christ, Amen.

KYLE WITMER, THAILAND

6 Thank you, Jesus, for opening eyes, restoring sight, and helping our world see more clearly the trauma of prostitution and human trafficking. Now, open their wallets and purses accordingly. Amen.

JEFF DIESELBERG, THAILAND

7 Lord, help us to see the world through your eyes, so that images will be true and clear and not fuzzy like in an incomplete reflection. While there is faith, hope, and love, help us to embody the fact that, in your mission, the greatest of these is love. (1 Corinthians 13:1-2)

REV. SHARON KOH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR / GEO



8 May Jesus illuminate the eyes of hardened hearts who cling on to worldly securities. May they see and experience how Jesus' love sustains them in tough times.

MELANIE BAGGAO, LEBANON

9 I pray for our leaders serving in countries in political turmoil for our students in the Master in Theological Studies program, and for the capacity to see clearly to share the kingdom of God.

MERCY GONZÁLEZ-BARNES, IBEROAMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

10 Thank you, God, for Spirit-empowered women leaders who faithfully serve and strengthen the body of Christ in spite of limitations placed on them just because they are women. Galatians 3:28: "There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus."

ANN & BRUCE BORQUIST, GLOBAL

11 Lord, open the eyes and the hearts of the hill tribe people to see you and to accept your love. May they know you more intimately than ever before. (Psalm 139)

ALISE & MARK JUANES, THAILAND

12 Lord, please help all those receiving book knowledge through education also come to heart knowledge of and a dependence on you.

RUTH FOX, GLOBAL

13 Father, help us to see the needs (mental, physical, and spiritual) of our missionary children, who go because their parents are called to global ministry. In Jesus' Name.

FAYE YARBROUGH, SOUTH AFRICA

14 Father, thank you for the opportunity to share the good news of Jesus in Hungary. We ask that the door stays open and that all find living hope in Christ.

AMANDA & JON GOOD, HUNGARY

15 Father God, I come to you in the name of our most precious Lord Jesus Christ. Please bless all the Master in Theological Studies students as they go out into their communities to share the gospel and the love of Christ with those who are lost in the darkness of this world. May you be glorified. Amen.

JAE STOCKTON, MEXICO



16 Gracious Father, teach us to see your image in those who suffer, so that we might be agents of peace and transformation in our broken world.

ELIBERTO & MOLLY JUAREZ, EL SALVADOR

17 Heavenly Father, thank to Jesus who bore our shame on the cross and restores our honor. May we give our allegiance to you alone as we teach your people.

GORDON HWANG, JAPAN

18 God of love and God of grace, we praise you because your ways are righteous, and your path is peaceful. You have the power to bring to pass that which seems impossible for us. In the Middle East we are hemmed in from all sides. But I thank you, gracious Father, you can do all things. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen!

DAN & SARAH CHETTI, MIDDLE EAST

19 Lord, give us your eyes, to see "everything clearly" in the wake of COVID-19, and your heart to serve your world, to the glory of Jesus.

STAN SLADE, GLOBAL

20 Pray for us in our new mission assignment as spiritual caregivers ministering to IM's global servants in Soul Care, Self-Care, and Community Care. Pray for global servants to thrive in their ministry contexts.

DAVID & JOYCE REED, GLOBAL

21 Join us in prayer as we envision our next term of service with International Ministries so that God's will is done on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

PETER & SARAH MCCURDY, MEXICO



22 Lord, open the eyes of our hearts and spirits that we may see our neighbors through your eyes and love them as you do.

CARLOS BONILLA & MAYRA GIOVANETTI, COLOMBIA

23 Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Amid the conflicts around us may we show we are your children by being peacemakers (Matthew 5:9). Begin in our hearts, so we may bring grace to our neighbors and even our enemies.

DANIEL BUTTRY, GLOBAL



24 Loving God, open our eyes to see the world through your eyes. Help us to be bold in faith that we may be your light of hope to children in Bolivia. Amen.

SARAH NASH, BOLIVIA

25 Father God, fill me with your perfect love and drive out all fear so I may respond to people and situations with the assurance that I can trust you in all things.

ANNIE DIESELBERG, THAILAND

26 Lord, how privileged we are to bear witness to your presence among us in the joyful twinkles of an eye and the hopeful dreams of a new generation. (Luke 10:23)

KIT RIPLEY, THAILAND

27 Lord, please give us ears to hear and eyes to see you in the hungry, thirsty, naked, sick, imprisoned, and in the stranger. Give us grace to feel and share your love.

LARRY STANTON, HUNGARY

28 Holy Spirit, save me from my hair, make-up, and popularity contests. Please help me love people like Jesus, remember what's important, and that God is in control.

REBECCA STANTON, HUNGARY

29 Lord Jesus, in a world full of confusion, anxiety, anger, and violence, may we—your people, your body—be a healing presence spreading in every place the faith, hope, and love that come through knowing you.

DENISE & JUAN ARAGÓN, MEXICO

30 Lord, teach us to do justice, to love mercy, and, as we seek to walk humble with you, lead us to walk with those who would otherwise walk alone.

RAY SCHELLINGER, GLOBAL

31 Lord, we pray for Baptist churches in Congo as they seek to reach the lost and disciple them. (Matthew 28:19-20)

JILL & MIKE LOWERY, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

