

## February 2024

**18. Zambia: Hans-Peter & Britta Hertler** share: "Our partner church is looking for a new chairman. Please ask for God to call the right person who will also be confirmed by the member churches. The chairman is the central contact person for us as a partner organization and thus also very important to us as missionaries."

**19. France: Evelyn Theurer** reports: "The church-plant in Les Herbiers is progressing well. Two people have been baptized. We performed with the newly formed gospel choir at the street music festival and sang in retirement homes. Please pray for the planned outreach events and that we will find premises for meeting."

**20. Canada: As Markus & Regine Gommel** continue to serve faithfully in Toronto, please pray for them and their family. Pray for their children, **Noah, Josia, and Amelie**, that their desire to follow Jesus will grow and HE will encourage them to read his word and give understanding. The children all participate in their local church and the boys serve in the *Isa Fellowship* program.

**21. Central Asia: Johannes & Karoline** report: "Please pray for a young man who is looking for stability in his life. John is ministering to him. We pray that he will turn to Jesus."

*Thought of the Week:*  
**"Never begin anything without going to God about it in prayer."**  
*-George Müller*

**22. Burundi: Manuel & Esther Stoll** write: "The first half of the pastor training in the 'Services for Christian Life' congregation is over. Some of the participants are very interested and talented in theology. We hope that one day they will lead the church, but also other ministries or projects. We would also like some of them to plant a church in the north of Bujumbura. Please pray for courage and the necessary money."

**23. Niger: Dr. Esther Pflaum** shares: "The sanctions imposed on Niger by the West African Community of States ECOWAS remain in place. This means that the border to the south remains closed, imports are not coming in and electricity from abroad has also been cut off. The sanctions are hitting the poorer population hard, as food is becoming more expensive. The hospital in Galmi also has massive additional costs. We need a lot of diesel for the generators. Some medical items are no longer available in the country and have to be imported by plane. Please pray for a change in the situation."

**24. Papua New Guinea:** Violent riots have broken out here recently. Extreme poverty, extravagant luxury, corruption at all levels and constant violence are particularly prevalent in the capital. Things seem to be settled for a time, but there are elections happening this month which may cause unrest again. Please pray that God will grant and preserve peace. Also please pray for Canadian missionaries serving here: **Jesse & Stephanie Poriz and their five children.**

**25. Canada:** Today **Reach North York** celebrates the baptisms of four believers. Please pray for the service, the testimonies and their walk with Jesus that they have started.

**26. Malawi: Daniel & Lilli Höynck** write: "We are delighted to have the help of a local co-worker who explains many things to us and gives us a deeper insight into the culture, as we settle into the country. In the coming weeks, we will improve our language skills. At the same time, Daniel is working in the accounting department at LM Malawi."

**27. Germany: Maike Rose** shares: "These coming weeks are a very busy time for me as event coordinator of the Youth Festivals with the preparations for the Youth Prayer Congress YouPC in March and then immediately after that for the *TeenagerMissionsTreffen* in May. Please pray for focus, wisdom, prioritization of tasks, and restful sleep."

**28. Canada:** Today the **Impact- Mission Interns** have an online seminar with all the Impacters and their German leaders. Please pray that this virtual meeting will be a time of encouragement and great sharing about how God is working in the various Impact placements.

*Thought of the Week:*  
**"A day without prayer is a day without blessing and a life without prayer is a life without power."**  
*-Edwin Harvey*

**29. Canada:** Please pray for **Tobias Müller** as he will be completing his Master's degree in Intercultural Leadership during the next few months. He will be dealing with the question: "Chances and challenges of a semester abroad in Toronto and how to support students in this with specific mentoring". Please pray for wisdom and focus for the final thesis and project while being fully engaged in ministry and family life.



## February 2024 Prayer Guide

THERE ARE THREE THINGS THAT WILL ENDURE  
*Faith, Hope, and Love*  
AND THE GREATEST OF THESE IS  
**LOVE**  
1 CORINTHIANS 13:13

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*Thought of the Week: "Prayer does not change God, but it changes him who prays."  
-Soren Kierkegaard*

**1. Canada:** Report from **Tobias and Sarah Müller**: The eleven ITA students have had a great start. A couple have gotten bad colds. They have been taking English language classes and will begin their mission placements shortly. Please pray for them as they settle into their semester here in Canada.

**2. Canada:** Fridays are the main teaching day for the ITA students at the Liebenzell House in Toronto. **Sam & Ann Strauss** are partnering with **Tobias & Sarah Müller** in this. Sam is introducing Tobias to the teachings for the ITA students for Tobias to take over. Please pray for God's guidance during the handover process, and that Fridays will be a day of encouragement and learning for the ITA students.

**3. Zambia:** **Michael & Bärbel Pflaum** write: "Having been responsible for housekeeping at Amano School for nineteen years, Bärbel now has handed over the task to a very experienced Zambian. Mr. M. started as kitchen manager in January. Please pray for him as he settles into this role."

**4. Bangladesh:** We are grateful for the recent church election in our LM partner church. The incumbent president of the association was re-elected for another four years, but was given a new vice-president. Please pray for fruitful cooperation between the President and Vice-President, as well as with the church leaders and missionaries.

**5. Canada:** From **Tobias & Sarah Müller**, "Please pray for wisdom in mentoring the ITA students. We want to equip them for ministry and give them tools to work in a multicultural context. At the same time, there are always great conversations on biblical and personal topics.

**6. Canada:** From **Ben & Julia at Reach North York**, "Four people who want to get baptized are currently going through a discipleship course with different church members. Please pray for the candidates as well as their mentors for understanding and growth."

**7. Japan:** **Stefan & Lara Degler** report: "Stefan now has more opportunities to perform with the cello at concerts and events. We notice how God is opening doors through this. At the town festival in the neighbourhood, he and a member of the congregation were able to play music and draw attention to the church. Please pray that the pianist Satomi, who often accompanies Stefan, will come to know Jesus."

*Thought of the Week:  
"Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God."  
-Mother Teresa*

**8. Germany:** **Faisal & Faiza Danish** work among people with a migration background. They write: "We are currently studying the miracles of Jesus in an international group. We are also starting a discipleship course. Pray for interest in God's word and that many will participate. We also hope to find coworkers for this ministry."

**9. Canada:** Today **Sam Strauss** is taking the ITA students to *Reach North York* for a session with **Ben Schöninger and Julia Baker**. This session will be about their church plant experience. Please pray that the students would catch the vision for the importance of serving Christ in the city and establishing thriving churches with the gifts that God gives.

**10. Uganda:** **Martin & Tabea Auch** share: "The new Impact-Move team and another 30 people from different regions of Uganda took part in a seminar titled 'Discipleship and the Bible - how do they go together?' Please pray they will become multipliers and that regular personal Bible reading will become a habit.

**11. Canada:** From **Regine & Markus Gommel**, "Please pray specifically for one of our *Isa Fellowship* attendees, that Jesus will meet her, give her a desire and understanding of his word, and she will start confessing Jesus in front of her relatives and friends."

**12. Malawi:** **Bengt and Eileen Riedel** say: "From January to March, an impact team will regularly visit the youth groups in the Zomba area. Please pray that young people will be encouraged to continue the youth work afterwards."

**13. Bad Liebenzell:** A long-time lecturer at the International University of Liebenzell **Prof. Dr. Harald Jung** died unexpectedly after a short, serious illness. Many are deeply impacted. Please keep his wife and two sons in your prayers.

**14. Canada:** From **Zack and Carolyn Perluisi**, "It's hard to believe the Impact Kanada Volunteers have been in their placements for five months. Please pray for the Impacters as they continue to serve in their churches, at camps and after-school programs. Their saying is, "get an impact! make an impact!". May this be true, as they show others the love of Jesus and grow deeper in their own love for Him. Please pray for us as we continue to walk through life with the Impacters through visits, phone calls and text messages, that we would be able to encourage them well."

*Thought of the Week:*

*"When you feel disinclined to pray, let it be a sign to you, that prayer is doubly necessary!  
Pray for prayer!"*

*-Charles H. Spurgeon*

**15. Canada:** **Markus and Regine Gommel** report, "Pray for the Bangladeshi mother with her 2 children that they will open up more to the gospel and we can establish a regular bible study with them. We were able to introduce them to a church close by and are hoping they will start attending."

**16. Germany:** The Impact-Move discipleship program has 32 participants. For the first phase, 18 were in Bad Liebenzell, eight in Toronto and six in Tokyo. They have now gone out in teams to Bangladesh, Greece, Malawi, Uganda and Spain. Please pray for them as they continue in the discipleship placements in their new countries.

**17. Ecuador:** The government's tough and consistent crackdown on gang crime has led to violent unrest in the country. The government has declared martial law until further notice. Pray for the restoration of public order and for protection for the population, church workers, missionaries and Impacters.

