

Global Strategy Praises and Prayer Requests—May 2021

- 1—**UK:** Pray for former pastor at Egan Road Church of God, John Pemberton, as he recovers from heart surgery.
- 2—**Brazil:** Pray for the country as COVID continues to spread via a new and more transmissible variant.
- 3—**India (Cuttack):** Pray for the Shelter. As more and more of the girls return to the Shelter after a year of being locked down in their respective villages, there is a lack of trained staff at the Shelter for their care. Please pray for godly, trained staff to work in the Shelter.
- 4—**Global Strategy:** Rejoice with the missionary kids graduating high school and pray for them as they plan for next steps, including transition back to the US.
- 5—**Children of Promise:** Pray for the sponsors and donors of Children of Promise. COVID has taken a toll on everyone, including the families of the sponsors and donors. Would you pray peace and comfort over those who are grieving, joy for those who may be discouraged, and unwavering faith in God?
- 6—**Kenya:** Pray for the Kima International School of Theology (KIST) as income is low and COVID cases are increasing in Kenya, especially in Nairobi.
- 7—**US/UK:** Praise God for the healthy arrival of Baby Leo Langford!
- 8—**Uganda:** Pray for missionaries Tim and Colleen Stevenson, who returned to Uganda in late April after home assignment.
- 9—**Haiti:** The CHOG hospital in Saintard, Haiti, has been blessed by some partners who have sacrificed and donated nearly enough to finish some upgrades and repairs to both the emergency department and the maternity department.
- 10—**Myanmar:** Pray for a new government in Myanmar that has been set up by the united ethnic armies in the north east and the deposed political party of Ms. Aung San Suu Kyi. Civil war is imminent with this new alliance. Pray for our COG congregations, Christians, and church leaders Rev. Dorothy Colney and Ms. Shelly Winn.
- 11—**Honduras:** Praise God that Samuel Raymond Christian School on Roatán has been approved for limited in-person classes for the first quarter of the year. They have also been chosen as the model school for the rest of the island as they look towards opening.
- 12—**Côte d'Ivoire:** Pray for the Lakpolo Project as construction continues. The walls and external income-generating shops are to be built next.
- 13—**Caribbean-Atlantic:** Pray for a vibrant, effective, and relevant Caribbean Atlantic Assembly that will do outstanding Kingdom work in this region.
- 14—**Spain:** Praise the Lord for the arrival of the Tatmans in March! They've found a home and are settling in well.
- 15—**Saint Vincent and the Grenadines:** Pray for the recovery efforts from the eruption of La Soufrière volcano on Saint Vincent, the largest of the islands. (Disaster Relief Project # 45.04502)
- 16—**India:** Pray for the reopening of the Nichols Roy Bible College in Shillong, India, for the first time in over a year. Students are returning to class sessions and living in the dormitories.
- 17—**Peru:** Pray for the Church of God in Peru, which has recently been hit hard by another wave of COVID-19. Give thanks for those who have recovered and pray for those who are still fighting the virus. Pray also for Pastor Lener Cauper, who lost his wife Herma in April.



18—Malawi: Praise God! The Church of God in Malawi had a large baptismal service on Easter. They baptized more than 100 persons.

19—France: Praise God for the healthy arrival of Baby Thia Salibi. Congratulations to proud parents Samir and Joanna Salibi!

20—Globally: Pray for missionary parents who are sending their children off to university or secondary education.

21—Philippines: Pray for the reopening of the schools run by the First Church of God in the Philippines. They are suffering because the pandemic has caused the parents to cut back on spending, reducing the number of students in the classroom. Ed and Ivy So are working to see that schools stay open.

22—Latin America: Pray for regional connector Jason Torgeson and the team of leaders that will be visiting Pastor Donnie Allen and the entrepreneurial training school in La Ceiba (Project #42.40255) as they work to support the school and develop models for sustainable entrepreneurial and discipleship training throughout Latin America.

23—Bangladesh: Pray for the recovery of Pastor John Mondil, who was severely injured in a motorcycle accident in mid-March. Pastor John is continuing to recover at his home near Lalmonharit.

24—Children of Promise: Praise the Lord for technology and outstanding computer techs! Throughout 2020 and 2021, Bryon Shaw has worked diligently to upgrade behind-the-scenes processes to be more user friendly and more efficient internally for the staff. The Children of Promise team is thankful for what has been done and what is yet to come.

25—Europe-Middle East: Pray for pastors and leaders in the region as they continue to shepherd their congregations through continued lockdowns. The strain on families and children through these long months is significant.

26—Caribbean-Atlantic: Pray for our churches and their communities as another Atlantic hurricane season draws near. Many of the churches in our fellowship serve their communities by being a vital lifeline during these times of increased need.

27—US: Pray for the upcoming Church of God convention in Denver in June. Pray that the messages on hungering and thirsting for justice, for righteousness, and for Jesus are a means of holy unity for the Church of God.

28—El Salvador: Give thanks for Pastor Mario Moran and for the Church of God congregation that continues to grow and serve the Lord in the midst of challenges.

29—Lebanon: Pray for the Church of God in Lebanon in increasingly difficult political, economic, and pandemic circumstances.

30—Thailand: Praise God for the Bible classes that German Church of God missionary Andre Machels is able to conduct with the Thailand Church of God via a program that covers all of Thailand, even some very rural areas.

31—Brazil: Please pray for the newly approved Children of Promise site that will be implemented in northern Brazil. Pray for missionary Jonathan Todd as he assists with getting the Children of Promise program established.

