

Monday Pray for Communities Living in Spiritual Darkness in the Philippines

Christina Canapp serves in the Philippines as field administrator in the mission's main office. "Some of our missionaries are finishing up their language study and are getting ready to transition to their church planting ministry." The plan was for the team to begin people group assessments (PGAs) in November 2023 to determine where to place the missionaries that would be the most strategic and effective in reaching unreached people groups. The PGAs were delayed for a few months, but Lord willing, they will be taking place this month.

"People are living in places that have never had the gospel and are living in spiritual darkness. There are very real challenges to reaching them, not just logistically, but (like Paul faced) spiritual opposition. Please be praying for our PGAs, for the men planning and going on these trips, for a fruitful time of gleaning information and for clear direction for allocating personnel."



Tuesday Praise Report from Tanguat ministry in Papua New Guinea

Paul and Ellen Swenson minister among the Tanguat people of Papua New Guinea. They are graduates from Ethnos' missionary training program. In February we prayed that adults from A and M villages would come to an outreach literacy class and that the Lord would calm the students' fears. Praise the Lord that "the adult students from A and M villages did indeed come to start learning to read in their heart language, ... and some have even spent some nights here even though many people in their villages are scared that our people could do sorcery on them. ... Be praying that God will continue to prepare the people from those two villages to hear His redemptive plan for mankind as we plan to teach them next year.

"Also, our Bible study for new church attendees here has finished. All 13 said they believed Jesus is their Saviour. They understood what they had been taught to varying degrees. Pray that they remain faithful and grow in their understanding and love for Christ!"

Wednesday Taliabo Bible Lessons Begin in Asia Pacific

Payton and Grace Downing minister among the Taliabo people of Asia Pacific. "The church here in the village has started teaching the chronological Bible lessons on Tuesday and Friday mornings. There are three groups of rotating teachers. It will take the better part of three to four months to finish. Pray for people to come and listen and make the time to actually show up. Pray for grandmas who have already heard to be willing to watch babies so young moms can hear. Pray for people to invite friends and neighbours.

"This is a really busy time for us as well as the church here. We feel quite swamped trying to keep up with Sunday school lesson translation, language study, prep for our final eval and all the other details of daily life here. Pray for us to do well."

Thursday Pray for a New Tepehuan Bible Study in Mexico

Tom and Beth Carlton serve in field leadership in Mexico, teaching and equipping missionaries. The missionaries to the Tepehuan have recently started a "new ministry ... among the displaced Tepehuan people living on our city's outskirts. God is blessing this ministry, and a small Bible study has begun meeting together regularly! Our friends, Caleb and Emily ... [and] Kevin and Wendy, have diligently served this growing community through weekly meetings where they come together to hear teaching from the Word. It is truly incredible!"

At the beginning of this year, we prayed that Tepehuan outreach visitors would join the Sunday Bible study meetings regularly. We prayed that the Lord would grant wisdom for Caleb and Emily and the team as they determine "how to truly reach into each home." Praise the Lord for answers to these prayers. Pray that the team in Mexico would continue to find ways to reach the Tepehuan people scattered throughout the city of Chihuahua and that this new Bible study group would grow in their understanding of the Word.

Friday Pray for the Awa Bible Translation Team in Ecuador

Andy and Chrissy Shaub minister among the Awa people of Ecuador. The Shaubs and their translation helper Sandra have begun a translation project for the Awa people. In the past, their former co-worker Doug Williams had drafted portions of the Old Testament, and 20 years ago, Wycliffe Bible translators had completed the New Testament. Now Andy will "translate 250 verses from scratch to go over with our Ethnos360 consultant." Then the Shaubs and Sandra will check the drafts that Doug had done.

Praise the Lord that He provided a good translation helper for the Shaubs so they



can begin their work. Pray for the translation team as they learn how to navigate the new translation software. Pray for the Awa believers to take more responsibility in church leadership.