

# **COVER PHOTO**

Leah Hopp, Uganda. Leah with two of her co-workers, [Akol and Nakut] who travel from village to village teaching Covid-19 precaution and general health as well as sharing their love for Jesus.

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Mary Jane Fandrich. Pray for our Syrian refugees as they celebrate *Eid el Fitr*. Many of them have difficulty paying their rent or a mortgage. The Eid is challenging to observe in isolation, so pray that Christian visits with them will be fruitful in the coming months.

Jack & Mary Anne Voelkel, Arizona. "We praise the Lord for Missions Sunday at Knox and the joy of virtually seeing and hearing from so many loved missionary colleagues at one time. Pray that all of us may be filled with the Spirit and guided by Him as we minister to others through Zoom, letters, emails, phone calls, texts, and acts of service. Also, we ask for prayer for wisdom and discipline as the two of us embrace a God-given, serious writing project."

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Hanneke Cost Budde, Tanzania. One of her close friends in Tabora died after being fatally injured by a drunk driver. He also was her vet. Another friend, Dr. Nzalani, who worked with her in the HIV/AIDS project, has swelling of his legs and liver. Though the kids have been doing well, Jacky again has a problem, so keep praying. A missionary couple in Tabora is also in great need; the husband had a severe case of Covid-19. Pray also for the poorer countries where the medical care won't be able to provide treatment for Covid-19- They have no vitamins, no antibiotics and very few ventilators. Finally, the swarms of locusts have destroyed much of the crops and famine as well as floods loom.

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David & Susan Jeffery, Abbottsford, BC. "Pray for our faculty as they begin teaching a bumper crop of new students online. Their workload will be heavier with this style of teaching. Pray for those heading up community life as they will need much creativity in fostering a spirit of community with a non-resident student body. Most of all, please pray that the Lord will work in the hearts of our students, calling many to serve in bringing His Word to those who can't yet access it in their mother tongue."

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Geri Rodman, IVCF. "Pray for Flemlyn, who leads the Guyanese Intervarsity student movement. She needs unusual creativity as many students and high school students have no computers or internet. Pray that they can reach them with the gospel. Pray for wisdom as I coach many staff from many different countries."

6 Xerggyo & Hil. "Please pray for our people in Chiapas. The Covid-19 disaster has just started there. Still, most people do not believe that the virus is real and continue services every Sunday. Two days ago, one pastor died. We expect that hundreds of people will arrive at his funeral."

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Carluci dos Santos, LAM. "Please pray we continue to respond to enormous needs amongst our partners and ministries in Latin America. Covid\_19 has hit a people's group in the Amazon where Ruth Thomson used to work, and two men died on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please pray for their families. We are seeing indigenous peoples from Venezuela arrive in the city of Redencao seeking help. Dione Santos who is giving support from her home and also visiting at the health clinic. Please pray for Dione, her family and her ministry. We continue to meet online as Celebration. I find it hard to provide pastoral support just over the phone. We miss our social interactions. Let's pray for one another."

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Leah Hopp, OPC, Uganda. "My Community Health Team and I have been concentrating on sharing with our neighbours how to protect themselves from Covid-19 and to keep physically healthy. Pray for more energy to also spend time talking about keeping spiritually healthy during the pandemic.

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Sheila McKelvie, Interserve. "Pray for the poor in Pakistan whose livelihoods have been impacted by Covid-19. Pray for SaCHA (the program Bill worked with, in Sindh). As workers distribute food to villages that they are working in. Pray for protection and mercy."

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Bill Fitch, Listen to Learn, East Africa. "As many other organizations are doing, we're examining our procedures in Africa to see whether this world-changing event should transition us to mostly or even 100% 'remote' in our administration, giving up our office space and becoming more decentralized. Please seek guidance for us. Maybe 'Never waste a good crisis' is a mantra we need."

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C & K. "Currently, we have 25 active companies in the portfolio. They are all under the pressure of one kind or another, particularly from Covid-19, with literally hundreds of employees directly affected. Praise God for the resilience and joy they are demonstrating. Pray for their clear testimony to Jesus' grace at this time. Pray for wisdom as they try and solve immense challenges, stay in business, and return to thrive, for the greater glory of God our Father. Pray for C & K as they lead the global team in a time of unprecedented challenge

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Wayne & Helen Hancock, Threefold Ministries, Nicaragua. "June 13<sup>th</sup> the board meets virtually to discuss the challenges presented by the global pandemic, the decline of the Canadian dollar, and travel restrictions that significantly impact the ministry. Praise God that our Nicaraguan staff is all well and that the community we serve has largely been spared. Pray for wisdom and God's provision."

### 13

Sylvia Dresser, Papua Indonesia. "Pray for MAF in Papua. A plane crashed just after take-off from Sentani strip and went into Lake Sentani. Pilot Joyce Lin died, and all MAF and missionary communities are grieving. The Bruce family (of Ethnos, at Saman) is rejoicing that the adoption of their son in Madagascar has been completed and is now looking for a way to go to the USA for more paperwork before returning to Papua."

# Sunday

Luke & Yuko Elliot, OMF, Japan. "Pray for wisdom, guidance, and protection as we seek discernment for what ministry(s) we can move forward with this summer while taking reasonable precautions and maintaining compliance with mission guidelines and public policy."

## 15

Dave & Rani. "Dave would like to teach/encourage/mentor Pastor Ramu of Nepal via social media; it might be expensive and difficult. We are still thinking/praying about the 'live' Satsangh outreach to our Hindu and Sikh friends; we keep in touch via social media."

## 16

Gus & Marliese, London, ON. "Two weeks ago, we visited the family with 7 children to re-connect with them. It isn't yet the time to do so regularly; however, we are planning forward. Pray for them that the Lord would open opportunities for regular classes. Pray also for two other

families we have been connected with. Otherwise, we depend on zoom connections for studies and discussions."

## 17

Rosemary Walker, AIM, Montreal. Since returning from Africa, she has been making good progress, with the help of one other, on translation for the new French website of AIM. May the Lord help her to be able to continue to support her students and the African Inland Church from afar by email and her *cup of cold-water project*.

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Elizabeth Matthias, Germany. "Counselees continue to be a great joy—seeing God at work, especially during the lockdown, to bring them closer to Him! Our church had open-air services again, too! And my DMin advanced significantly. Praise the Lord! Housing, dependent on funding, has yet to be solved. Prayers appreciated."

# 19

Jim Mason, Ghana. "The rains are heavier in June and July in Ghana. Pray for safety for the CEG drivers of cinevan staff as they engage in literature distribution due to suspension of night showings resulting from Covid-19 restrictions. Pray for protection for staff, many of whom travel by public transport and for solutions to prevent the worldwide spread of the virus."

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Paul & Mary Beth McLean, PCC, Taiwan. "May God guide the Bunun, Pinuyumayan, and Tayal teams during the final review stage of their projects. Each team hopes to finalize its translation by the end of 2020."

# Sunday

FFM, Chyrl Joyce, Toronto. "Praise God for the 43 attendees on the last Day of Prayer for the Muslim World held on Zoom May 16<sup>th</sup> with people calling in from 5 different countries. We are also encouraged to

see several young people participate who are eager to pass the vision to their churches. Pray that we will be sensitive to God's leading for the ministry of FFM and think of more creative ways to maximize the resources God has given us."

### 22

Laurie Armstrong, Power to Change. "As the virtual ministry to students continues, pray for our staff as we work to create virtual content, continue 'digital semesters' on local campuses, help students get connected, expand Alpha online outreach, and plan options for the probable extension of exclusively virtual ministry through the fall."

### 23

Donna Dong, IVCF. Pray for Donna as she Zoom-meets with various disciple-makers, Scripture teachers, and InterVarsity staff leaders for mutual resourcing and encouragement in future-oriented leadership. Pray for her as she begins to write some reflections on 'following Jesus as life-long learners and disciples over many years."

# 24

Ann Chow. "I am still here in Toronto with no travel plans until April 2021. My two projects are going well, coordinating tech labs to happen simultaneously in 45 cities around the world for Cru's digital ministry called Indigitous, and International Justice Mission Canada's online conference called Jesus & Justice, both planned for this October."

### 25

The Missions Hub, Knox, Chez Johnson, and Khevna Dave. "We are so excited to announce that, with the full support of the board, Khevna is stepping into the role of director. We are in the process of identifying who will be the next Mobilization Coordinator, and there are a lot of hopeful prospects, even from within the community of the Hub. Chez will finish her term as director in mid-July to marry and move to Brazil and continue working in collaboration-based mobilization until the time

that she and her husband are sent to their long-term field. Praise God for the way that He moves!"

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**Phase 2.** John & Deborah Bowen, Patsy McCarthy, Norine Love, Barbara Rahn, Eleanor Crabtree, Gladys Linthicum, David & Angela Morris and Margaret Roth.

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Phase 2 (continued). Pam Stedman, Diane Dadian, Clarence & Cathy McMullen, Elaine Esser, Glenn & Fern Byerly and Barbara Hanna.

# Sunday

Knox Food Bank. Pray for the urgent needs of the young people who are so vulnerable at this time of turmoil. So many of the sources of support have evaporated, and physical distancing is not an option. They also face unjust prejudices. Some volunteers are taking food and essentials to the highest-risk clients.

# 29

Dom Goold, IVCF, Toronto. "Pray for students across the GTA as they start to feel more of the effects of sheltering in place, now that exams are done. Pray also for Dom and fellow staff in the GTA as we listen to God and consider how online ministry will look like heading into the fall."

# 30

S Payne, Japan. "Pray for my 2<sup>nd</sup>-year students who are studying in other countries this year. Many are trying to leave cancelled programs and make it home. My program has many international exchange students who are trying to get back to Japan from winter break, often facing quarantines or restrictions. Pray for wisdom and extra energy for me at this time. I'm losing strength lately."