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PRAYER CALENDAR
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COVER PHOTO

Sylvia Dresser is writing the [history of TEAM churches](#) on the south coast of Papua, in Papua Indonesia. The photo is their arrival at Pirimapun in 1959 with baby Mark.

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David & Susan Jeffery, Wycliffe, BC. "One of our CanIL colleagues is leading a 3-week Rapid Word Collection Workshop in Kitimat, BC for the Haisla First Nations people. Pray that the linguists taking part will work well together, especially as a number of them can only attend virtually due to COVID restrictions. Also, pray for the ten fluent and 25 semi-fluent Haisla speakers on the workshop teams, that their being together will facilitate the collection of 10,000 to 17,000 of their words, and encourage them greatly as a community."

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S. Payne, Japan. "Bad news: I fell off my bike and broke my collar bone and chipped my sternum. I don't know how I will get my class prep done now!" Pray for his healing and stamina as he deals with reducing physical strength, and for Yuriko, his wife and Juli, his daughter.

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Leah Hopp, OPC, Uganda. Praise God that my Interpol security letter is finally available, an answer to your prayers. A new step is required for my work permit renewal process: our NGO has to write a letter to the Ugandan NGO board to change our status. Pray that I can get my work permit soon.

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Laurie Armstrong, Power to Change, Guelph. The school year officially launched on Aug 30th with a virtual national student meeting! Pray for quality local and virtual connections, expansion of the summer's successful online national Alpha and to every local campus. Pray that this semester will be remembered by students walking closer with Jesus.

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Bill and Sheila McKelvie, Interserve. Pray for wisdom and guidance as we seek to expand the ministry of Canada Ministry Team (CMT) into Montreal. Pray for SaCHA, Bill's former project, and Imroze, the project director, as they continue to serve communities in rural Sindh during these challenging times.

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Dominique Goold, IVCF. Pray as she resets for another year in ministry, as she reconnects with students and as they pray and follow God's direction for ministry in a pandemic. Pray for potential and new ways to meet students when they aren't on campus this Fall physically, and for miracles in abundance. Dom started her course, *Narrative Focused Trauma Care Level I*, in August; pray for guidance as she becomes a student again!

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Elizabeth Matthias, Germany. She is so grateful for a new apartment! Significant snags were overcome, though very draining. Counselling has increased, as has the Holy Spirit's intervention. "I feel so blessed!"

Remember **Mary Jane Fandrich** as she recovers from her recent heart attack. "I'm ok. My heart reminds me all the time that it ain't what it used to be. 15 to 20-minute walks up the road most days."



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Bill Fitch, Listen to Learn, East Africa. Remember our Leadership Team in Kenya – both of whom have previously visited Knox: Susan Tela (with husband John) and Isaac Makali (with his wife Beatrica).

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Donna Dong, InterVarsity Canada. Pray for good prep times and coordination of scheduling, as Donna meets and supports select students, InterVarsity staff, and young Christian leaders from diverse ethnic/racial/cultural backgrounds in one-on-one Zoom calls.

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Gord & Brenda Nickerson, Josiah Venture, BC. This summer camp ministry in Canada and Eastern Europe has been different as a result of COVID restrictions. Still, it continued with young leaders being trained through music & sports camps, online training, canoe trips, one-on-one or small group meetings. In Sept, Gord will meet with youth leaders in Canada. He hopes to begin disciple-making cohorts (5 or 6 Youth leaders in each one) supported with prayer. Pray God will lead him to those He wants to involve in the groups. Pray for Brenda's Dad in a Vancouver hospice, for his doctor and nurses as they manage to keep him comfortable.

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Chyrl Basa, FFM, Toronto. Praise God for an encouraging time at the *Prayer for the Muslim World* on Aug 15th. What a blessing to hear from a church in Lebanon and the work God is doing in their midst and among youth! Pray God will continue to use opportunities to mobilize His church in prayer and outreach to Muslim neighbours.

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Geri Rodman, IVCF. Pray for a meeting today with the Board in Guyana to assist in several training areas, and for excellent communication within a cross-cultural setting. Pray also for the various

countries of South America experiencing so many deaths from COVID. May God comfort His people.

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Hanneke Cost Budde, AIM, Tanzania. She is thankful for safe travels and an enjoyable visit to Holland. She was able to secure meds for Jacky and Mahona. Pray for her Bible training classes beginning soon, and for the kids doing exams at school. She has made good progress in building the new family house.

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Xerggyo and Hil. "We need to apply for my work permit, and Hil needs to apply for a short-term visa. I am waiting until the first week of September for a decision from a company that I had an interview with last week. We are waiting for a favourable decision for the International Commerce department. If I don't find a job, we will have to move to another city, where it is easier to find a short-term visa for a year.

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Jack & Mary Anne Voelkel, Arizona. Praise the Lord for LUIS, a young man Jack is discipling, who is now beginning to disciple a handful of young men in his church who marvel at his growth in Jesus. Pray for God's profound healing work in the life and family of an international leader and Bible teacher who is going through a deep valley. Ask God to give us great wisdom and grace as we minister to them.

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C & K. "We praise God that several companies are seeing people turn to the Lord through the pandemic. On the other hand, the challenges they face defy imagination, including quite literally danger to life and limb. Pray especially for Pakistan, India, Nepal and Bangladesh at this time. Pray also for the opportunity to do onsite visits once again – incarnational presence is vital to the exercise of our missional calling."

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Rosemary Walker, AIM, Montreal. "I thank God for a refreshing holiday last month in Ontario, where I visited with my brothers, David & Blake, and other friends and supporters. Pray for good progress on my translation assignment for Africa Inland Mission and deepening relations with my neighbours."

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Paul & Mary Beth McLean, PCC, Taiwan. May God help Paul support the Tao people of Orchid Island off the SE coast of Taiwan as they start a minor revision of their 1994 New Testament with the first translation of the Old Testament to follow.

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Sylvia Dresser, formerly of Papua. Continue to pray for the workers in Papua: Give thanks that Becca Riepma in Merauke is recovering well from dengue fever. Deborah Savage's knee replacement of 10 months ago is causing problems necessitating a trip to the USA. Kennedy's Facebook ministry is now reaching over 5000 Hatam speakers. Walter is waiting for his long-delayed visa renewal.

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Khevna Dave, Knox Mission Hub. "Pray for wisdom and grace as we come alongside campus groups as school launches online this year! We are hopeful to be able to dive deep into discipling leaders in our new *Mission Disciplers* group who will champion mission engagement further on campus."

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Dave & Rani, Brampton. Rani and Dave appreciate more direct spiritual conversations with their contacts as a result of their street concert and (outdoor) Satsangh outreach. Pray that God will draw some to Himself. Pray that they know how to be good parents.

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Ann Chow, Event & Project Management. "It has been inspiring to coordinate *hackathons* around the world in approximately 50 cities this Oct with Indigitous, Cru's digital ministry. (Campus Crusade for Christ). Hackathons gather Christians in the tech industry to build solutions to issues that we face in our churches, cities and societies. Pray for these teams as they plan."

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Jim Mason, Challenge Enterprise, Ghana. Now is the time for CEG Pastors & Christian Leaders' Conferences. Due to COVID, this year's conferences have recorded presentations that will be telecast on selected Television stations and streamed on YouTube and other social media platforms. Pray that the Lord will remind and draw pastors and Christian leaders all over the world to watch and know God's faithfulness amid COVID.

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Gus & Marliese Ketola, London, ON. "Continue to pray for the Palestinian man to whom I teach English. Pray also for the establishment of relations with the other families to whom we taught English. We haven't seen them, except one of them, since 'lockdown.'"

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Carluci & Christina Dos Santos, LAM. "We lost two LAM office staff. All this homeschooling and holidays became too hard for some mothers who couldn't cope with the stress of another job. So, I am training one new person, making life busier than usual. We resumed in-person church activities at Celebration Church four weeks ago, and things are going well. We had three adult baptisms recently."

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Barbara Rahn, Cambridge. "For some years, I have been marking Bible Correspondence courses from prisoners. The courses they take

are comprehensive: "Jesus Christ, Our Saviour, is Truly Human and also Truly God. Can you think of some Scripture verses to verify that?"

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Luke & Yuko Elliot, OMF, Japan. "With COVID restrictions, September will be a quiet month this year but much work must be done in safely storing building materials for the winter."

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Phase Two workers. Fern & Glenn Byerly, Barbara Hanna, Elaine Esser, Gladys Linthicum, Clarence & Cathy McMullen. Eleanor Crabtree, Diane Dadian, John & Deborah Bowen, Patsy McCarthy, Norine Love, Marg Roth, Pam Stedman and David & Angela Morris (David Morris shared in a men's group about the 2nd part of the Great Commission, about obeying all the commands of Christ. Revolutionary!)

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Wayne & Helen Hancock, Three-Fold Ministries. "Please pray for the Board as they meet this month and consider how to plan for and sustain the vital ministry of our Skylark Center that makes such a difference in the lives of many in Nicaragua, impacting many lives with the good news of Jesus."

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City Missions and food banks in Toronto. Pray for critical homeless and hungry people and organizations that minister to them: Toronto City Mission, Yonge Street Mission, Evangel Hall, Scott Mission, Urban Promise, Salvation Army and Knox Dinner and Food Bank.