

## **September 2017**

### **Missouri Prayerways**

*"I live in the spirit of prayer; I pray as I walk, when I lie down, and when I rise. And, the answers are always coming." George Mueller*

**September 1: Chuck Barbour, Sub-Saharan African Peoples (SSAP)**, writes, "Pray that I will be faithful in preaching, teaching, and investing in others to disciple them. Pray I will lead my family in knowing and following Christ each day"//Pray for **J. H., South Asian Peoples (ASAP)**, as he enters a new role and seeks to engage the remaining UUPG's in South Asia with the gospel. Pray that the Lord would guard his heart and help him walk with integrity. Pray for traveling mercies as he goes to some of the least reached places on earth to share the gospel and equip others//**A. L., Northern African and Middle Eastern Peoples (NAME)** writes, "Pray that I will be able to get into a healthy rhythm of homeschooling, being a wife, mother, and team leader, as well as ministering to the refugee women around me"//**MK H. L. 17, NAME**, asks prayer that she will stay motivated during her senior year and do well academically. She also asks prayer for her fellow students that many would come to know Christ. Dealing with acid reflux, pray she will get better and be pain free//**MK K. F., 11, East Asian Peoples (EAP)**, has recently begun to take responsibility for her walk with the Lord. Pray she might put into action the things He is teaching her through His Word and that her non-believing friends would see Christ in her and desire a relationship//Ask the Lord to give **MK Samuel Stow, 14, American Peoples (AMP)**, a heart like His.

**September 2: B. T., Central Asian Peoples (CAP)**, writes, "Please pray for our small church start with about six young local believers. Pray that they would abide in Christ and remain faithful to Him, and be faithful to one another in fellowship//Lift up **Linda Witherspoon, Retired, AMP, and DOM John Vernon, Cape Girardeau Association**, as they seek to always be obedient to the Word//**MK A. H. 5, ASAP**, had eye surgery on August 10. Pray that her eyes will heal properly and no more surgery will be needed. Pray the Lord will draw her close and she will come to know Him//**MK Aidan Yoakum, 12, SSAP**, asks prayer that he will have more time to spend with another MK friend. His parents ask prayer that he would hear the Lord's voice and follow Him all his life.

**September 3:** Pray that **Carol Chatman, Retired, AMP, and DOM Tim Abanathy, Southeast Missouri Association**, will always draw their strength from the Lord//**DOM Phillip Rector, Gasconade Association**, asks prayer for the health of his mother who is in a care center some distance from him. Pray that he will be able to adequately supervise her needs.

**September 4: W. H., NAME**, asks prayer for discipline in studying and favor in understanding for his and his wife's language learning. He asks prayer for strength, endurance, and rest that comes only from the Lord, as they hear difficult stories from refugees with whom they work.

**September 5:** Remember **Cape Girardeau Baptist Association** and representatives from five MBC churches as they minister in **Northeast Italy** from today through the 10<sup>th</sup>.

**September 6:** Pray that **Bob Hall, Retired, SSAP**, will continue to realize God loves him, even in the midst of his confusion.

**September 7: G. B., EURO**, writes, "Both our kids are beginning their senior year of high school. As we look to this last year with them at home and have big goals in our work, pray that in all things I will demonstrate contentment and faithfulness, and for the kids as they pursue God's will for their future."

**September 8: David Ford, Retired, AMP**, writes, "Please remember my discipleship group of three men who have been meeting weekly for eight months. It has been a great time of spiritual renewal and development. This is a year-long commitment; pray we will finish well"//Ask God to give **Lydia Cobb, 10, Southeast Asian Peoples (SEA)**, a heart for helping with her parent's ministry.

**September 9: Bill Bowers, Retired, SSAP**, writes, "I am celebrating my 70th birthday as well as 50th wedding anniversary, and 50th anniversary of my first pastorate. Mostly, I am praising God because He is faithful. Pray for more opportunities to preach God's Word"//Pray that **Dorothy Miller, Retired, SSAP**, will be fulfilled by opportunities to share Christ with those around her.

**September 10:** Pray that God will open more opportunities for **Diana Bledsoe, SSAP**, to disciple young women in the village of Tigon through Bible studies and True Love Waits//**Peggy Mulkey, Retired, DEAF**, writes, "Our daughter and her husband have been trying to adopt a little boy from West Africa for more than a year now. Pray all the paperwork required would be finished quickly and they would be able to bring him home"//Ask the Father to show **Chris Conley, Missouri, and James Back, Retired, Oregon**, how they can continue to grow in their understanding of His will for their lives.

**September 11: Lesotho:** Pray for wisdom and discernment for the **Floras** as they gather bids for the building of their home in Mokhotlong.

**September 12:** Ask God to give **Michael Shockley, Retired, SSAP**, the ability to hear His still small voice guiding him into all truth//Lift up **DOM Jim Breeden, St. Louis Association, and DOM Rodney Hammer, Blue River/Kansas City Association**, as they help local churches and church planters reach the two largest metropolitan areas of our state for Christ.

**September 13: Lesotho:** The **Bundricks** arrived in the states last month for the first time in over four years. Ask the Father to give them rest and refreshment and many opportunities to share how God is at work among the Basotho. Remember them as they go to their debriefing conference at the end of this month.

**September 14:** Pray that **Janet Graves, EURO**, will find opportunities to communicate the love of Christ in unexpected places//**Kurtis Jones, SSAP**, asks prayer for the timely return of important paperwork so that they can relocate to their new field of service as soon as possible//**Alan Locke, SSAP**, asks prayer for the following: safety in travel, partnership churches to adopt unreached people groups, opportunities to give training and for those trained to put it into practice, and for good partnerships with Ghanaian pastors, missionaries and convention leaders//Ask the Lord to show **MK Philip Owens, 20, SEA**, how to be salt and light to his non-believing friends.

**September 15:** Pray that **Laverne Gregory, Retired, AMP**, will be granted opportunities to meet the needs of some who might be seeking the Truth//**Joshua Hartley, Missouri**, writes: "Please pray for my mother-in-law who was recently diagnosed with Alzheimer's. Pray for my two daughters, Laynee and Londyn, that God would save them. Also, pray for their future husbands and that God would, through them, save the next 100 generations of our kin."

**September 16:** Ask the Father to protect **Bob Burton, Missouri**, as he travels from location to location//The parents of **MK Caroline Frealy, 3, AMP**, ask you to pray about the following need: Caroline is very bright and sociable, so we would like to find a just-right preschool for her to attend a few hours each day to learn language and culture. It is important to get a good start so that she can develop positive attitudes about Chile!

**September 17:** Pray that **Elyssa Jones, 9, EAP**, will grow in her understanding of always being obedient to the Father's will.

**September 18:** Pray for **M. S., SEA**, as he trains workers throughout the 10 countries of Southeast Asia. Ask the Father for insight and wisdom and that workers would boldly and passionately share Truth in the midst of persecution so that His church will grow rapidly throughout Southeast Asia//Remember **Frank Stark, Missouri, and Penny Townley, DOM Spouse, Osage River Association**, as they seek to encourage others to grow in their faith.

**September 19:** Ask the Lord to inspire **M. W., Retired, EAP, and Jim Myers, Retired, Idaho**, to greater heights of service for His Kingdom's glory.

**September 20:** Pray that **J. O., ASAP**, will find many Christian ladies to partner with her in her work.

**September 21:** Lift up **Alex Montgomery, AMP**, and ask that all his spiritual, emotional, and physical needs will be met.

**September 22: Don Brake, Retired, AMP**, writes, "Please remember a church I started in Asuncion, Paraguay. A lady has moved into the property and refuses to give it back to the convention. My son wants to take a team there and restart the church. Pray for the convention to act quickly and take control of the property"//The parents of **MK E. H., 8, NAME**, write, "E. would like for you to pray for her schooling. She will be a second grader this year. In addition, she would like you to pray for her M-sim neighbors and friends, that they would follow the path of the Son."

**September 23:** Ask the Father to grant **Bobbi Inman, Retired, SSAP, and Gerald Conner, Missouri**, the ability to speak the truth in tough situations//The parents of **MK R. H., 6, NAME**, write, "R. asks that you please pray for her as she begins her kindergarten school year; and that we would have sweet family memories as we celebrate her 6th birthday."

**September 24: Lesotho:** As **Jonathan and Liz Bundrick** celebrate their wedding anniversary today, pray that they will continue to magnify the Lord through their marriage//**C. S., NAME**, asks prayer for healing of her back and need for weight loss, so that she can better serve our Lord//**M. L, NAME**, writes, "Please ask prayer for these things: Compelling desire to be obedient to the Father who loves me and called me; creativity to encourage my husband; the ability to listen well and give the right words of wisdom to motivate language learners; and joy as I prepare my daughter for her last year of high school and look forward to university - letting go is hard"//Pray that **Nettie Beck, Indiana**, will always speak with confidence about her Lord.

**September 25:** The parents of **MK Eliana Watson, 3, SEA**, ask you to pray they can raise her to be obedient, love and trust Jesus; that she would learn both English and the Thai language well, and make good Thai friends.

**September 26: MK McKenzie Ostertag, 14, AMP**, asks you to pray school will go well, she will stay on target, and finish 8<sup>th</sup> grade in a timely manner//Pray that **MK L. F., 17, NAME**, will be obedient to God's plans for her future.

**September 27: Lesotho:** The **Flora family** ask you to pray as they disciple the new believers from their recent church planting boot camp. Also pray for **Jim Flora** as he frequently travels between Lesotho and Swaziland supervising the work in both areas.

**September 28:** Lift to the Father **Bud Fray, Retired, SSAP**, as he continues to impact the mission's community through his book.

**September 29: A. L., EURO**, asks prayers for continued healing from a brain tumor. Reports are good and they are being allowed to return to the mission field, so pray for visas to be renewed so they can return soon//Ask God to give **Bob Hampton, Retired, AMP**, a renewed sense of purpose each day.

**September 30:** Celebrating, this month, the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their arrival on the mission field in Beirut, Lebanon, **Emmett Barnes, Retired, NAME**, is thankful for their son's full recovery from a stroke. He asks prayer for continued ways of witnessing for Christ//The parents of **MK Micaiah Bledsoe, 8, SSAP**, write, "Please pray for Micaiah to have ears to hear what the Spirit is saying in the gospel that he might repent and believe"//Pray for **Benjamin Beck, Indiana, and Paula Colquitt, DOM Spouse, Reynolds Association**, to find quality time to spend in the Word.

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