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GUIDE 2020

*Your guide for weekly,
ministry prayer requests*



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- Prayer Ministry
- Publish in newsletter/bulletins
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IN YOUR HOME

- Family devotions
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WORKING TOGETHER IN PRAYER

At the end of Paul's letter to the church at Colossae, we find a fascinating sentence. *"Epaphras, who is one of your number, a bondservant of Jesus Christ, sends you his greetings, always laboring earnestly for you in his prayers, that you may stand perfect and fully assured in all the will of God."* (Col. 4:12) Paul teaches us that we can labor in prayer. We can join someone in their hard work of following the Lord, pursuing and doing the will of God.

This Prayer Guide gives you the opportunity to join the work of many faithful servants by praying earnestly for them. Here are some suggestions as you pray for the specific weekly requests in this Prayer Guide.

Your Partner in the Work,

D. Hance Dilbeck Jr.

D. Hance Dilbeck, Jr.
Executive Director-Treasurer
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Pray for:

- God's provision and protection for missionaries and their families

(John 17:15)

- A burden for the lost

(Luke 19:10)

- God's Word to bring conviction and salvation

(John 16:8)

- Hearts to be convicted of sin

(John 16:8)

- God to reveal Christ

(Matthew 16:17) (2 Corinthians 4:3-4)

- God to remove any barriers to their salvation

(1 Corinthians 1:18)

- True repentance

(2 Corinthians 5:17) (Luke 13:3)

- New believers to become witnesses and lead others to Christ

(Matthew 28:18-20)

SOUTHERN BAPTIST MISSION FUNDING

Throughout the 2020 Missionary Prayer Guide, there are references to the following mission funding methods that are used by Southern Baptists to fulfill our Lord's command in Acts 1:8 to carry the Gospel from Jerusalem to Judea to Samaria to the uttermost parts of the world.

The Cooperative Program is the financial foundation of our Southern Baptist missions and ministries around the world. Each church gives a percentage of its budget through the Cooperative Program as we partner together to touch the world for Christ. Additional information is available from the Leadership Office of Oklahoma Baptists.

More Info:

405-942-3000 ext. 4525
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The Edna McMillan Oklahoma State Missions Offering is promoted during September of each year and supports mission and evangelism projects in Oklahoma. This offering is named after Edna McMillan, an Oklahoman who had a vision of reaching the state of Oklahoma with the Gospel. It provides additional funding beyond your church's Cooperative Program gifts. Additional information is available from the Missions and Women's Ministries Office of Oklahoma Baptists.

More Info:

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The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering is the annual offering promoted during March of each year. This offering provides additional funding beyond the church's Cooperative Program gifts for the work of the North American Mission Board in the United States and Canada. Additional information may be obtained from the North American Mission Board.

More Info:

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The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is the annual offering promoted each December to benefit missions around the world. This offering provides additional funding beyond the church's Cooperative Program gifts for the work of the International Mission Board and over 3,600 missionaries around the world. Additional information may be obtained from the International Mission Board.

More Info:

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imb.org/lottimoon

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Meet Hance Dilbeck *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for D. Hance Dilbeck Jr., executive director/treasurer for Oklahoma Baptists since the spring of 2018. Dilbeck, who has a vision to lead and encourage Oklahoma Baptists to advance the Gospel, keeps a heavy travel schedule. He has covered every corner of the state preaching, meeting, speaking and getting to know Oklahoma Baptists. He and his wife Julie have three married sons.

Okla. Church Connection | Oklahoma City, Quail Springs; Ponca City, First; Noble, First; Snyder, First; Marshall County, Little City

FAVORITE VERSES

How happy is the man who does not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path of sinners, or join a group of mockers. Instead, his delight is in the Lord's instruction, and he meditates on it day and night... For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leads to ruin.

| Psalm 1 |

HOW TO PRAY:

- For daily time with the Lord.
- For healthy family relationships.
- For wisdom to serve Oklahoma Baptists.



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Jan. 12, 2020

Meet Amy Petersen *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Amy Petersen, who with her husband Brandon Petersen parent three sons: Max, 17; Jake, 15; and Reed, 8. Amy is the Ministry Wives Partner for Oklahoma Baptists. “I am so excited to build relationships with ministry wives across the state! I look forward to hearing their stories and discovering ways to love and support them,” Amy Petersen says. “My heart is to encourage their spiritual healthiness and the well-being of their families.”

Okla. Church Connection | Enid, Emmanuel; Broken Arrow, First; Edmond, Quail Springs

HOW TO PRAY:

- For protection and wisdom in raising our three boys.
- For me to live “open-handed” to the story God is writing.

FAVORITE VERSE

Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will hold on to you with My righteous right hand.

| Isaiah 41:10 |



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Meet Walter Wilson *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Walter Wilson, who for the last 12 years has served as pastor of Friendship Baptist Church in Lawton, and for the last two years as African American Church Consultant for Oklahoma Baptists, “helping reconnect our brothers and sisters into Oklahoma Baptist life,” Wilson said. “God has shown His favor and His faithfulness by allowing some old relationships to be re-energized and gaining new partnerships to challenge the darkness of this age. The work continues!” He and his wife of 46 years, Velma, have one grown daughter.

Okla. Church Connection | Lawton, Friendship

HOW TO PRAY:

- For a closer walk with the Lord.
- For God’s favor “as I bless your people.”
- For God to “wrap me in your love so I can express that same love to all I come in contact with.”

FAVORITE VERSE

Therefore brothers, by the mercies of God, I urge you to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God; this is your spiritual worship.

| Romans 12:1 |



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Jan. 26, 2020

Meet Brett Selby

Serving in Oklahoma

Pray for Brett Selby, a regional ministry partner in Oklahoma Baptists' Church Relations Group. His ministry involves encouraging pastors and churches as they advance the Gospel in their communities. His focus is the wellness of pastors, both personal and family. He will come alongside them to enhance their equipping skills in areas such as evangelism, discipleship, church revitalization, stewardship, and mission partnerships. Brett and his wife Brenda Selby have two grown sons.

Okla. Church Connection | Oklahoma City: Western Hills, Nicoma Park, First, Northwest; Yukon, Surrey Hills; Bethany, Council Road

HOW TO PRAY:

- That Christ will be honored and glorified through my ministry to Oklahoma Baptists.
- That through the ministry and service to pastors I will become a trusted ministry partner to them.
- That the Lord will give me safety and protection as I travel across the state.

FAVORITE VERSE

and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

| Galatians 2:20 |



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Feb. 2, 2020

Meet Buddy Hunt *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Buddy Hunt, Oklahoma Baptists' Regional Ministry Partner in eastern Oklahoma. He connects with churches and associations in eastern Oklahoma to help with personal support, promoting and encouraging church health and growth by assisting in personal/family wellness of pastors, conflict resolution, leadership and staff development, church revitalization, evangelism and discipleship strategies, consultations for personal/professional training, mission partnership connections, transitional pastors/search committees, and other consultations. He and his wife Michell have two daughters and one granddaughter.

Okla. Church Connection | Shawnee, Immanuel; Holdenville, First; Clinton, First; Duncan, First and Immanuel; Alva, First; Spiro, First; Perry, First; Tahlequah, First

HOW TO PRAY:

- For his family.
- For safe travel.
- "For God's wisdom as I assist churches."

FAVORITE VERSE

For I know the plans I have for you - this is the Lords declaration - plans for your welfare, not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.

| Jeremiah 29:11 |



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Meet Mark Dance *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Mark Dance. He's new as Oklahoma Baptists' Director of Pastoral Development and Northeast Regional Ministry Partner, where his role is to encourage pastors to advance the Gospel in their lives, homes, and churches. "Our new decentralized, regional strategy helps us to be pastor-connected, church-centered, and associational-partnered," Dance says. His pastoral development role focuses on creating a statewide pipeline of preachers from Oklahoma Baptists' churches and schools. "I will help Dr. Dilbeck create and implement a strategy to develop young pastors and ministry students in their formative years," Dance adds.

HOW TO PRAY:

- For the churches and pastors in northeast Oklahoma.
- For the next generations of God-called pastors and ministry leaders.
- For a house, church family and friends in Tulsa.

FAVORITE VERSE

Be conscientious about yourself and your teaching; persevere in these things for by doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers.

| 1 Timothy 4:16 |



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Feb. 16, 2020

Meet Griff Henderson *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Griff and Shari Henderson. He's new as Regional Ministry Partner in northwest Oklahoma. "I partner with associations, churches and pastors with the goal of advancing the Gospel," Henderson says.

Okla. Church Connection | Mustang, Chisholm Heights; Tulsa, Calvary; Newalla, First; Edmond, Waterloo Road

HOW TO PRAY:

- That we will advance the Gospel together.
- That I will have a good transition into this new role.
- That God brings a great revival in our churches.

FAVORITE VERSES

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding. Think about Him in and your ways, and He will guide you on the right paths.

| Proverbs 3:5-6 |



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Meet Emerson Falls *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Emerson Falls, Oklahoma Baptists' Native American ministry partner. With his wife Shirley, Dr. Falls' ministry goal is to encourage pastors and empower local Native American churches to make disciples and multiply communities of faith.

Okla. Church Connection | Oklahoma City, Central

HOW TO PRAY:

- Pray that our Indian churches will connect with unchurched Native Americans and share the Gospel.
- Pray that more Native men will be called into the ministry, and that more Native pastors will be called and equipped for effective ministry.
- Pray that our Oklahoma Indian churches will help plant new works in our state and throughout North America.
- Pray that Native Americans will be called to world-wide missions.

FAVORITE VERSE

You did not choose me, but I chose you. I appointed you that you should go out and produce fruit, and that your fruit should remain so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, He will give you.

| John 15:16 |



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2020



Meet Everardo Borunda *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for the Everardo Borunda family, including his wife Dania, their teenage son and 11-year-old daughter. Borunda is an Hispanic Ministry Partner with Oklahoma Baptists. “I have the privilege of serving all Oklahoma Baptists, particularly Hispanic Oklahoma Baptists,” Borunda says. “I make myself available to all pastors who are in need of encouragement or advice. I also serve our churches by making available ministry resources, training, and connections between churches.”

Okla. Church Connection | Oklahoma City, Exchange Avenue and Rancho Village

HOW TO PRAY:

- For more souls saved and disciples made.
- For more leaders to be developed by our churches.
- For more churches to be planted.

FAVORITE VERSE

I am the vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in Me and I in him produces much fruit, because you can do nothing without Me.

| John 15:5 |



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March 8, 2020

Meet James Swain *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for James and his wife Julie. James is Oklahoma Baptists' associate executive director for the Church Relations group, which strives to encourage the advancement of the Gospel by providing contextualized support and challenge toward church health and growth. The group works with pastors and churches through affinity and regional partners in pursuit of this mission. Swain serves with Oklahoma Baptists' associational directors of missions and associational group partners "to strengthen the churches of our state," Swain says.

Okla. Church Connection | Oklahoma City, Southern Hills; Kingfisher, First; Chickasha, College Heights; Sulphur, Calvary; Medford, First; and Davis, Chickasaw Trails

HOW TO PRAY:

- For discernment in leading the Church Relations group.
- For wisdom in encouraging pastors and directors of missions.
- For strength and guidance for my family.

FAVORITE VERSES

And He personally gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, for the training of the saints in the work of ministry, to build up the body of Christ.

| Ephesians 4:11-12 |



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Meet Joe Ligon *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Joe Ligon, senior associate executive director of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma. “Among other things, this means I serve as chief of staff for Dr. Hance Dilbeck,” Ligon says. His responsibilities include assisting most of Oklahoma Baptists’ groups. He and his wife Gayla, married 36 years, have two grown sons.

Okla. Church Connection | Marlow First; Ada, Oak Avenue; Konawa, First

HOW TO PRAY:

- Pray for the Gospel to be preached to all nations.
- Pray for Oklahoma Baptist churches to be strong, healthy, vibrant, and multiplying.
- Pray for my family to be strong in the Lord.

FAVORITE VERSE

Therefore, no condemnation now exists for those in Christ Jesus.

| Romans 8:1 |



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March 22, 2020

Meet Felix Cabrera *Serving in Puerto Rico*

Pray for Felix Cabrera, executive director of the Southern Baptist Convention of Puerto Rico, director of SEND Puerto Rico, and church planting pastor of Iglesia Bautista Ciudad de Dios in San Juan, Puerto Rico. He and his wife Denisse have two daughters: Andrea and Adriana. “Three things I am passionate about,” Cabrera said. “The development, training and sending of leaders; seeing new healthy churches being initiated; and loving and feeding the sheep the Lord puts in my hands.”

Okla. Church Connection | Oklahoma City, Quail Springs and Iglesia Bautista Central

HOW TO PRAY:

- My family, especially for my daughters Andrea and Adriana.
- My wife’s health.
- And for our church: Iglesia Bautista Ciudad de Dios.

FAVORITE VERSE

Therefore I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven; that’s why she loved much. But the one who is forgiven little, loves little.

| Luke 7:47 |



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Meet Mark Boyd

Serving in Oklahoma

Pray for Mark Boyd, director of missions for the Frisco Baptist Association, which serves 50 churches in Choctaw, Pushmataha and McCurtain counties in southeast Oklahoma. The association’s ministries include disaster relief, Kiamichi Baptist Assembly, Nailbenders construction ministry “and so much more,” Dr. Boyd says. He and his wife Stacia are the parents of two grown sons.

Okla. Church Connection | Tulsa, Garnett Road; Wister, First; Paoli, First; Clayton, First; Verdigris, First; Hugo, First

HOW TO PRAY:

- For the pastors and staff who serve in southeast Oklahoma.
- For Kiamichi Baptist Assembly in Talihina, Oklahoma.
- That all 50 churches in Frisco Baptist Association would see an increase in baptisms as they help people find and follow Jesus Christ.

FAVORITE VERSE

Now without faith it is impossible to please God, for the one who draws near to Him must believe that He exists and rewards those who seek Him.

| Hebrews 11:6 |



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2020



Meet Bertholomew Bailey *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Bertholomew Bailey. He and his wife Nikol have three children, Karrie, PJ and Kelley. Director for the second year of Baptist Collegiate Ministries at Langston University, “I have the privilege to minister and be involved in the lives of college students on a weekly basis at a historically Black university,” Bailey says. “Many of the students have grown up in church but there are many who did not go to church regularly while growing up.” Langston’s BCM has been revived and revamped, and “we have seen a rise in spiritual growth among leaders, attendance, and financial support,” Bailey added.

HOW TO PRAY:

- For protection of students on campus.
- For spiritual revival on campus.
- For boldness of Christian students to be disciples.

Okla. Church Connection |
Tulsa, St. Andrew; Brooksville,
St. John; Oklahoma City, St.
John and Northeast

FAVORITE VERSE

We know that all things work together for the good of those who love God; those who are called according to His purpose.

| Romans 8:28 |



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April 12, 2020

Meet Tim Kimberley

Serving in Iowa

Pray for the Tim Kimberley family, which includes his wife Patty and three children: Hannah, 14; Silas, 12; and Grace, 10. “We just planted a church back in my hometown of Collins, Iowa, a town of just 450 people,” Kimberley says, “but already we are seeing God do big things in small places.” Collins is in central Iowa.

Okla. Church Connection | Oklahoma City, Frontline

HOW TO PRAY:

- That people involved in weekly salvation-focused Bible studies would come to Jesus.
- That the Body of Christ would have one heart to live on mission in rural, central Iowa.

FAVORITE VERSE

And He died for all so that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for the One who died for them and was raised.

| 2 Corinthians 5:15 |



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Meet Kerry Russell *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Kerry Russell, Oklahoma Baptists' chief financial officer and finance group leader. He oversees the Finance Group and all finances of Oklahoma Baptists. "I find great joy in leading our group to insure the finances are timely and accurate," Russell says. "We assist the groups in following policies to be accountable and faithful stewards of the resources God has given us to advance the Gospel together." Kerry and his wife Mary have two sons, two daughters, and two grandsons.

Okla. Church Connection | Oklahoma City, Southern Hills

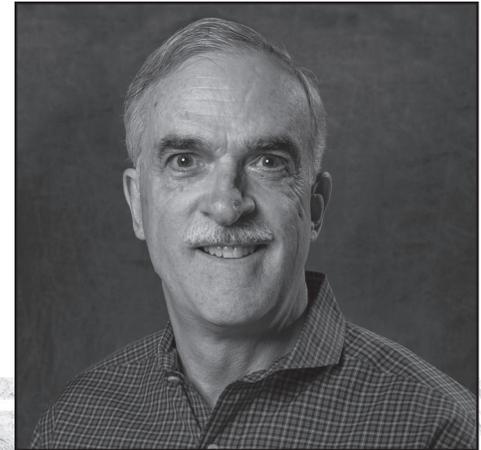
HOW TO PRAY:

- For wisdom in daily decision-making.
- For family health and protection.
- For a strong daily walk with Christ.

FAVORITE VERSE

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding; think about Him in all your ways, and He will guide you on the right paths.

| Proverbs 3:5-6 |



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April 26, 2020

Meet Ron Fleming *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Ron Fleming, director of missions for the Choctaw-Chickasaw Baptist Association. His responsibilities include coordinating new church plants and encouraging pastors, those young in their ministry and those with more years of experience. “It sometimes seems my primary service is to have pulpits supplied on Sundays,” Fleming says. He and his wife Christine have two grown daughters, LaDinna and LaRhonda, four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Okla. Church Connection | McAlester, First Indian; Moore, First Indian

HOW TO PRAY:

- For the pastorless churches in our association.
- For new church plants.
- For souls to be saved.

FAVORITE VERSE

And they said, believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

/ Acts 16:31 /



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2020

May 3, 2020

Meet Alan Quigley *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Alan Quigley, Church Resources' associate executive director for Oklahoma Baptists. This group includes; Church Music, Missions and Women's, Personal Evangelism and Small Groups, GO Students, Youth Ministries, Falls Creek Programing, Church Planting, Children's and CrossTimbers, Disaster Relief and Chaplaincy along with other ministries. "Together with a great staff," Quigley says, "we write strategies to assist Oklahoma Baptist churches to advance the Gospel by engaging the brokenness in our state and helping our churches increase their attendance, baptisms, sending of missionaries and mission support through the Cooperative Program." Quigley and his wife Cindy have three grown children and one grandchild.

HOW TO PRAY:

- Pray that I see the brokenness of those around me as an opportunity to share the Gospel.

Okla. Church
Connection |
Del City; First
Southern; Oklahoma
City, Central and
Cherokee Hills;
Weatherford,
Emmanuel

FAVORITE VERSE

In the same way, let your light shine before men, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

| Matthew 5:16 |



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Meet Paul Lewis *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Paul and his wife Emily. He's the director of the Baptist Collegiate Ministries at the University of Central Oklahoma (UCO). "I work to disciple students to live on mission for God wherever they are," Lewis says. "We want to reach the college campus with the Gospel."

Okla. Church Connection | Edmond, Frontline

HOW TO PRAY:

- For more Gospel laborers to reach the campus for Jesus Christ.
- For favor with students, faculty and administration on campus.
- For revival among college students at UCO.

FAVORITE VERSE

And what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, commit to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

| 2 Timothy 2:2 |



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May 17, 2020

Meet Phillip Ford *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Phillip Ford, who with his wife Kamie has a 1-year-old daughter, Elliot Irene. He is the director of Baptist Collegiate Ministries at the University Center of Southern Oklahoma (UCSO) in Ardmore. “The Lord has caused more students than ever to be passionate for Him and for growing His Kingdom this semester,” Ford notes. He shares the Gospel with college students on the UCSO campus and develops students to be the next generation of Christian leaders.

Okla. Church Connection | Ardmore, Faith Southern

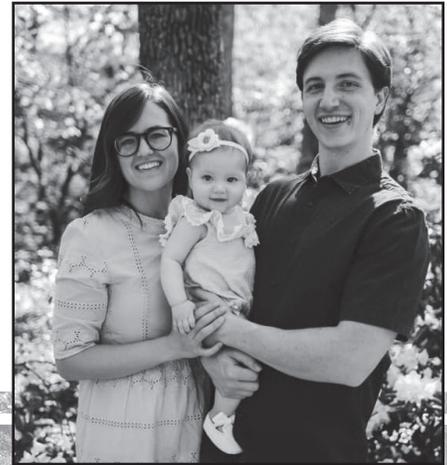
FAVORITE VERSE

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

| Matthew 28:19-20 |

HOW TO PRAY:

- Pray that the Lord will cause a revival on the UCSO campus.
- Pray that students would be receptive to the Gospel.
- Pray that Christian students would be faithful to share the Gospel.



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Meet William “Tom” Freeman *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Tom Freeman, who serves as interim director of missions in Panhandle Baptist Association, where there are 22 Southern Baptist churches. Freeman works with pastors and assists in the association’s ministries: Disaster Relief, Baptist Collegiate Ministries at Oklahoma Panhandle State University and Gibson Baptist Camp. Freeman and his wife Karen have two children, six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Okla. Church Connection | Guymon, Grace Southern

HOW TO PRAY:

- For our Association.
- For changes in our ministry structure to provide more effective support and encouragement to the churches.
- For the pastors and church leaders and their ministry to their communities.

FAVORITE VERSE

Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men.

| Colossians 3:23 |



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May 31, 2020

Meet Travis Welch *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Travis Welch, who moved home to Oklahoma in late September, after pastoring in Texas for more than 20 years. He's now Director of Missions for Kay Baptist Association in north-central Oklahoma. "I work among the association's 27 churches to encourage missions and cooperation among the churches and pastors," Welch says. Kay Baptist Association has a Disaster Relief team and trailer, which is primarily used locally. A team from the Association recently returned from a vision trip to Puerto Rico to "scout out future mission opportunities," Welch says.

Okla. Church Connection | Tonkawa, First; Turpin

HOW TO PRAY:

- For the spiritual well-being of the 27 churches in the association, and of their pastors.
- "To be more effective in the role I'm in."

FAVORITE VERSE

I sought the Lord and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.

| Psalm 34:4 |



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June
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June 7, 2020

Meet Justin Romaine

Serving in Oklahoma

Pray for Justin and his wife Elizabeth Romaine. He's Baptist Collegiate Ministries director at Northern Oklahoma College (NOC) in Enid, a 2-year college. "Our aim is to lead students to learn how to follow Jesus and train them to lead others to do the same," Romaine says. "Working only with freshman and sophomores, we strive to help students build a strong foundation in our short time frame, so that they would continue to grow and lead whenever they venture on, to a 4-year school or career."

Okla. Church Connection | Enid, Open Door Church

HOW TO PRAY:

- As the only ministry group on our campus, pray that God would send more workers to NOC.
- With mostly student athletes on our campus, pray that students would be devoted to their faith and the Kingdom of God, above other activities in their lives.
- Pray for wisdom and faithfulness for me, so that I may more effectively minister to those on our campus.

FAVORITE VERSE

When they observed the boldness of Peter and John and realized that they were uneducated and untrained men, they were amazed and recognized that they had been with Jesus.

| Acts 4:13 |



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Meet Andrew Scott

Serving in Oklahoma

Pray for Andrew and his wife Lisa. He is the director of Baptist Collegiate Ministries at the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma. “The ministry here is filled with relationships, conversations and events,” Scott says. “On the campus we try to give the students things to do. By doing this, we build those relationships, so that we may share the Gospel with them. I try to teach and model how to live out your faith in everyday life. This is what will carry over into the real world and this is what I want to train our students to do.”

Okla. Church Connection | Nicoma Park, First; Shawnee, Heritage; Chickasha First

FAVORITE VERSE

Soon afterward He was traveling from one town and village to another, preaching and telling the good news of the kingdom of God. ...After this, the Lord appointed 70 others, and He sent them ahead of Him in pairs to every town and place where He Himself was about to go.

| Luke 8-10 |

HOW TO PRAY:

- For our campus. There is a lot of darkness, hurt and pain. Pray that we may reach these students.
- For the Christians on our campus. Pray discipleship will happen and they will go out and share the Gospel with the lost.



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Meet James Wilder *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for James Wilder, associational missions strategist for Pottawatomie and Lincoln counties. He serves “as a leader, inspirer, catalyst, challenger, promoter of fellowship and encourager to the pastors, staff and people of Southern Baptist churches in Pottawatomie and Lincoln counties in Oklahoma,” Wilder said. “Together we build stronger churches.” Together with his wife Deanna, the couple has two sons, James and Walker.

Okla. Church Connection | Grove, First; Purcell, First; Shawnee, Immanuel

HOW TO PRAY:

- For the strength and Kingdom impact of the association’s churches.
- For the association’s pastorless churches.
- For the Gospel to impact lostness and multiply in the lives of others.

FAVORITE VERSE

What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can his faith save him?

| James 2:14 |



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Meet Kyle Thomas

Serving in Oklahoma

Pray for Kyle Thomas, serving in his first year as Baptist Collegiate Ministries Director at Tulsa Community College (TCC), specifically the Southeast and Metro campuses. TCC last year enrolled more than 10,000 students under the age of 25. “I serve at a commuter school where we strive to enter into the commuters’ routine – parking lot to class to parking lot – for the sake of the Gospel,” Thomas says. “A main way we accomplish this goal is by being one of the most active student organizations on campus.” He and his wife Nikki have two sons. Grayson is 4; Rowan is 1.

Okla. Church Connection | Grove, First; Stillwater, Hillcrest; Mannford, Lakeside

HOW TO PRAY:

- For Thomas to be diligent in ministering to students on TCC campuses.
- For God to prepare students’ hearts to be receptive to the Gospel.
- For the Thomas family as they continue to adjust to living in Tulsa, and to their new role as collegiate ministers.

FAVORITE VERSE

Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who doesn’t need to be ashamed, correctly teaching the word of truth.

| 2 Timothy 2:15 |



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Meet Bronson Baker *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Bronson Baker, who works through Baptist Collegiate Ministries in Norman primarily with student athletes, “helping them learn how to follow Jesus, learn about Jesus and telling them about Jesus for the first time,” Baker says. “Then how to reproduce that and invest their lives into others.” Baker helps with the OU-BCM’s weekly large group meeting and more.

Okla. Church Connection | Norman, Redeemer; Sperry, First

FAVORITE VERSE

My eager expectation and hope is that I will not be ashamed about anything, but that now as always, with all boldness, Christ will be highly honored in my body, whether by life or by death.

| Philippians 1:20 |

HOW TO PRAY:

- Pray that I walk faithfully with God.
- Pray that God will use me at OU.
- Pray that I can raise more support for my financial needs.



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July 12, 2020

Meet James Lee *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for James Lee, part of the Baptist Collegiate Ministries staff at the University of Oklahoma. He focuses on international and global outreach to OU's more than 2,000 international students. He also promotes and handles logistics for student summer mission trips "with the hope that students will gain a vision for reaching the nations as well as their neighbors," Lee says. James and his wife Linda, married 22 years, have two teens, Angela is 17 and a high school junior; Joshua is 15 and a freshman. Both are homeschooled.

HOW TO PRAY:

- That we would walk so closely with the Lord in the ministry He has given us here that we will be able to accomplish all He has for us each and every day.
- That we would be sensitive to God's leading and to be obedient to follow His leading always, as we minister to students on campus.
- For increasing our financial support base and purchasing a home in Norman this year if the Lord wills.

Okla. Church Connection | Norman, Trinity

FAVORITE VERSE

Until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ.

| Ephesians 4:13 |



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Meet Dakota Desai *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Dakota and her husband Jigar. She's a student mobilization specialist with Baptist Collegiate Ministries at Oklahoma University in Norman. "I share the Gospel on campus and train up students to be multiplying disciples. My goal is to send our students to labor for Christ among the nations," Desai says.

Okla. Church Connection | Norman, Redeemer

HOW TO PRAY:

- Pray for the Desai couple as they raise financial support.
- Pray that we will continue to invest in making disciples at OU.

FAVORITE VERSE

So that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him, bearing fruit in every good work and growing in the knowledge of God.

| Colossians 1:10 |



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July 26, 2020

Meet Krystal Krug *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Krystal Krug. She is on the Oklahoma State University BCM staff. She coordinates the freshman Bible study and the international study, and she manages the ministry finances. “Along with these roles, I meet one-on-one with girls for personal discipleship,” Krug says. “Our goal at the OSU BCM is to help as many students as possible follow Jesus and train them to do the same.”

Okla. Church Connection | Stillwater, Eagle Heights; Lindsay, Erin Springs

FAVORITE VERSE

We cared so much for you that we were pleased to share with you not only the Gospel of God but also our own lives, because you had become dear to us.

| 1 Thessalonians 2:8 |

HOW TO PRAY:

- For our students to be developed into healthy and mature leaders who will make an impact wherever God takes them after college.
- For me to have a healthy walk with God, not getting caught up in being busy in ministry but seeking God's direction each day.



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Aug. 2, 2020

Meet Kenzie Haworth *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Kenzie Haworth, a collegiate missionary with the Oklahoma State University BCM. “I seek to know, love, and glorify God and raise up disciples on the campus of OSU to fulfill the Great Commission” Haworth says. “To achieve this I spend as much time on campus as I can, and meet with as many girls one-on-one as possible.” Haworth also trains student leaders, leads the Hospitality team, and coordinates OSU BCM’s social media.

Okla. Church Connection | Sapulpa, First; Stillwater, Sunnybrook Christian and Eagle Heights

FAVORITE VERSE

I have been crucified with Christ. I no longer live, but Christ lives within me. The life I now live in the body, I live by the faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

| Galatians 2:20 |

HOW TO PRAY:

- That I finish this semester well and take full advantage of every opportunity I have left.
- That I find time to rest and abide in the Lord.
- That I care well for and communicate well with my support team



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Meet Melissa Tuck *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Melissa and her husband Tony Tuck. They serve together on the staff of Baptist Collegiate Ministries at Oklahoma State University. Melissa Tuck disciples young women, coordinates missions, and oversees the Events Team and the Outreach Team.

Okla. Church Connection |
Stillwater, Eagle Heights

FAVORITE VERSE

Consider it a great joy, my brothers, whenever you experience various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. But endurance must do its complete work, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking nothing.

| James 1:2-4 |

HOW TO PRAY:

- For students within the ministry to join leadership teams to reach the OSU campus with the Gospel in intentional and creative ways.
- For strength and focus for staff members as God continues to mold us into His image through investing in college students.
- For financial support for OSU BCM staff members Krystal, Kenzie, CJ and me.



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Aug. 16, 2020

Meet Wyatt Hebblethwaite *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Wyatt Hebblethwaite, who with his wife Rachael serves on the staff of the Baptist Collegiate Ministries at Oklahoma University in Norman. He works with college students “to share the Gospel and train up qualified laborers to send into the harvest,” Hebblethwaite said.

Okla. Church Connection | Norman, River Church

HOW TO PRAY:

- Pray that we do an effective job discipling all the new believers we have.
- Pray that Rachael and I love each other well.
- Pray that God opens thousands of students’ hearts to the Gospel so they can have life in Christ.

FAVORITE VERSE

We cared so much for you that we were pleased to share with you not only the Gospel of God but our own lives, because you had become dear to us.

| 1 Thessalonians 2:8 |



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Meet Noble Paddyaker *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Noble and his wife Cathrann, who as collegiate missionaries work with college students at the University of Oklahoma. “We are helping share the Gospel, disciple and send out students as laborers into the harvest,” Paddyaker says.

Okla. Church Connection | Norman, River Church

HOW TO PRAY:

- For faithfulness
- For fruitfulness

FAVORITE VERSE

Proclaim the message; persist in it whether convenient or not; rebuke, correct, and encourage with great patience and teaching.

| 2 Timothy 4:2 |



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Aug. 30, 2020

Meet Pat Alphin *Serving in Wyoming*

Pray for Pat and his wife Renee. They're planting Cody Cowboy Church in Cody, Wyoming. The church's ministries include taping the "rough stock" (bulls, broncs) at each of the summer's nightly rodeos from June 1 through Aug. 31, and at 9 a.m. the next day, group coaching sessions so the rodeo athletes can see how to improve. The church's onsite bunkhouse provides lodging for up to 10 athletes. The church also parks cars, directs traffic and picks up trash during the Cody Stampede the week of July 4.

Okla. Church Connection | Hugo, First

FAVORITE VERSE

Your eyes saw me when I was formless; all my days were written in your book and planned before a single one of them began. God, how difficult Your thoughts are for me to comprehend; how vast their sum is! If I counted them they would outnumber the grains of sand; when I wake up, I am still with You.

| Psalm 139:16-18 |

HOW TO PRAY:

- For the rodeo athletes' physical safety, and for their spiritual health.
- For relationships with city and rodeo leaders leading to spiritual decisions.
- For the volunteers who come to help in the ministry.



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Sept. 6, 2020

Meet Heath Thomas

Serving in Oklahoma

Pray for Heath Thomas, new in January 2020 as president of Oklahoma Baptist University. An OBU graduate and a member of the OBU administration since 2015, he also earned a Master's degree in Theology from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and a Ph.D. in Old Testament from the University of Gloucestershire (UK). As president, Dr. Thomas is responsible for oversight of the quality of OBU's academic and support programs, NCAA Division II Athletics, leadership of the finances, administration of the personnel system, supervision of the relationship between students and the administration, fundraising, and more, under the direction of OBU's Board of Trustees. He and his wife Jill have four children.

HOW TO PRAY:

- Wisdom for the work.
- Faithfulness to the Lord.
- Attentiveness to my family.

Okla. Church Connection |
Bethel Acres, New Hope;
Edmond, Henderson Hills;
Del City, First Southern;
Moore, First.

FAVORITE VERSE

The righteous one will live by his faith.

| Habakkuk 2:4 |



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Meet Kenneth Thompson *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Kenny Thompson, director of Baptist Collegiate Ministries at Northern Oklahoma College in Tonkawa. “The BCM is a place where students can come to grow in their faith with the Lord and also learn how to be a missionary right now, in their college setting,” Thompson says. The BCM helps serve the campus by being present on the campus and bringing the Gospel to those who don’t have a relationship with the Lord, the director continues. “Right now we are slowly growing as a BCM and helping students step out to share their faith,” Thompson adds.

Okla. Church Connection | Edmond, Waterloo Road; Medford, First

HOW TO PRAY:

- For building the BCM’s ministry at NOC, and allowing God to truly work on this campus.
- For developing student leaders and helping them grow in their faith.
- “For me to grow as a collegiate minister, and truly allow God to use me in every step I take.”

FAVORITE VERSE

Do nothing out of rivalry or conceit, but in humility consider others as more important than yourselves.

| Philippians 2:3 |



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Meet Charles Scheffe *Serving in Arizona*

Pray for Church Planter Charles and Stephanie Scheffe and their two daughters, Addisyn, 10, and Londyn, 3. “We planted The Church at Estrella in Goodyear, Ariz., in 2018. This is an area where fewer than one out of ten people attend church. One in four of my neighbors is Roman Catholic or Latter Day Saint. Two in five claim no religious affiliation.” Goodyear earlier in 2019 ranked as the thirteenth fastest-growing city in the United States, with people moving in from all over the world. “Our goal is to lead people to be a great church, through gathering, growing and going,” according to the church’s website. “We think this is what the church – a group of people living out the mission and message of Jesus, together – is all about.”

HOW TO PRAY:

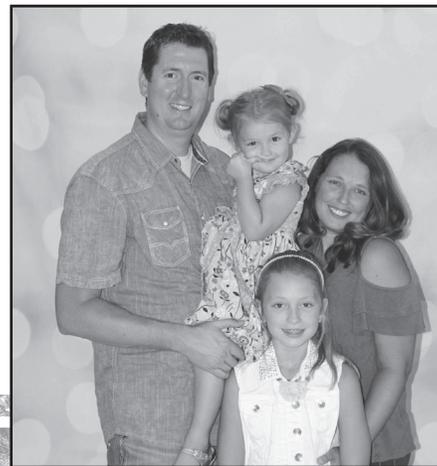
- Pray for The Church at Estrella to break through cultural, spiritual and physical barriers.
- Pray for discipleship and growth of leaders.
- Pray for opportunities to build relationships in our community, schools, with new families and in our homeowners’ association.

Okla. Church Connection | Edmond, First; Woodward, First; Midwest City, Meadowood; Oklahoma City, Village

FAVORITE VERSE

For God sent Him, and He speaks God’s words, since He gives the Spirit without measure.

| John 3:34 |



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Meet Jerry Davidson

Serving in Alaska

Pray for Jerry and his wife Gwen, who are planting a Native church in Alaska, while their two grown children and five grandchildren all live in Oklahoma. “Our goal was to start a church for Native Alaskans,” Davidson said, “and to train an indigenous man to reach out and shepherd other Native Alaskans.” The Davidsons started Frontier Native Church in Anchorage, now in its third year, and he is training a young indigenous man to continue the ministry.

Okla. Church Connection | Hobart, Territory Cowboy

HOW TO PRAY:

- Pray that God will provide us strength to fulfill the ministry He desires for the Native Alaskans in Anchorage.
- Pray that Native Alaskans be drawn by the Holy Spirit to the Creator God.

FAVORITE VERSE

Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”

| John 14:6 |



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Meet Shawna Davis

Serving in sub-Saharan Africa

Pray for Shawna and Daren Davis, in Africa since 1997, who lead the work in the countries of the sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) Affinity, seeking to cast vision, train, and mobilize SBC churches and African believers in the missionary task in order to reach the people groups not yet reached with the Gospel. Shawna specifically assists Daren in the area of prayer by leading SBC missionaries to communicate prayer needs and answers so churches can strategically and specifically pray for God's Word to spread rapidly across SSA, resulting in transformed lives and healthy, multiplying churches. "We raised our three children, Micah, Meredith and Peyton, in Africa," Shawna writes, "and they still call Africa home."

Oklahoma Church Connection | Marlow, First; Shawnee, Immanuel

HOW TO PRAY:

- For more believers to proclaim the Gospel to the lost and to disciple existing African believers, who live in a mix of chaotic cities and quiet villages.
- For us to "faithfully embrace catalytic strategies that empower partners to engage in evangelism, discipleship, healthy church multiplication, and leadership development for God's glory."
- For a retreat next spring (2020) for missionary women serving in sub-Saharan Africa. "Pray for those leading [and] for God to renew our strength and refresh our spirit."

FAVORITE VERSE

Only let your manner of life be worthy of the Gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the Gospel.

| *Philippians 1:27* |



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Oct. 11, 2020

Meet Will Thompson* *Serving in Eastern Europe*

Pray for Will and Marie Thompson, and their children, 8 and 5. As IMB workers, the Thompsons oversee the work in Russian-speaking areas. “We planted a church in an area where there had never been a Gospel-preaching church,” Thompson writes. “This church continues to plant other churches in neighboring villages.” Today the family serves in Russian Bible Church, which has grown from 22 to 35 small groups over the last two years. A team from the church went out two years ago to plant another church in an area of the city with little to no Gospel witness. Plans for additional church plants in Moscow are in process. “We are also working with Russian pastors through two networks that are focused on planting and revitalizing churches,” Thompson continues. “We are thankful that the Gospel has united our hearts with our Russian brothers and sisters who are laboring for the harvest!”

FAVORITE VERSE

When you heard the message of truth, the Gospel of your salvation, and when you believed in Him, you were also sealed with the promised Holy Spirit. He is the down payment of our inheritance, for the redemption of the possession, to the praise of His glory.

| Ephesians 1:13-14 |

HOW TO PRAY:

- Pray for the teams working where the harvest comes slowly and persecution is increasing.
- Pray for God to continue to give believers a desire for bold evangelism.
- Pray for God to send a Gospel revival.

Okl. Church Connection | Weatherford, Trinity; Sentinel, First; Oklahoma City, Crestview

***Name changed for security purposes**

Meet Gary Rowland

Serving in the United Kingdom

Pray for Gary and Becky Rowland. They provide logistic support for IMB personnel living in the UK, Ireland, Belgium, and The Netherlands. “We work with our personnel to get and maintain visas, housing, and cars,” Gary Rowland said. “We work with them on certain financial issues and on their travel to and from the field.” The Rowlands also help with conferences and meetings, and they work with their local church on outreach and discipleship. “And as all missionaries, we work to build relationships that lead to sharing the Gospel,” Rowland added.

HOW TO PRAY:

- For affordable housing and cars for incoming personnel, and that visas will continue to be available.
 - For the Rowlands “as we deal with elderly parent issues.”
 - For opportunities to meet and share the Gospel with non-believers.
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Rolling Hills, First; Tulsa,
Sequoyah; Claremore, First;
Foyil; Stillwater, University
Heights; Norman, Trinity;
Claremore, First

FAVORITE VERSE

“For I know the plans I have for you” – this is the LORD’s declaration – “plans for your welfare, not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.”

| Jeremiah 29:11 |



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Oct. 25, 2020

Meet Drew Cunningham *Serving in California*

Pray for Drew Cunningham, who with his wife, Shannon, is rearing four children and planting a church in Santa Cruz, California, where fewer than 4 percent of the population know Jesus.

Oklahoma Church Connection | Guymon, First; Edmond, Henderson Hills

FAVORITE VERSE

He told them, 'The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send workers into His harvest.'

| Luke 10:2 |

HOW TO PRAY:

- Pray for more laborers to be sent into the harvest.
- Pray for Christian conversions in Santa Cruz County.
- Pray for financial provision.



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Nov. 1, 2020

Meet Jacob Boss *Serving in London*

Pray for Jacob Boss, Affinity Leader for European Peoples, who leads the teams of IMB missionaries who live and work in the region's 51 nations. "As the face of Europe is changing and once-Christian nations have given way to secularization, there is a new generation of Europeans who are spiritually hungry and open to the hope of the Gospel," Boss writes. He and his wife Elizabeth and their four children – Skye, 13; Andrew, 9; Phillip, 6; and Sadie, 3 – work with local believers "to see the Gospel spread from this multiethnic city to the ends of the earth," Boss adds.

FAVORITE VERSE

When they observed the boldness of Peter and John and realized that they were uneducated and untrained men, they were amazed and recognized that they had been with Jesus.

| Acts 4:13 |

HOW TO PRAY:

- Pray for the dwindling church in Europe to experience a renewed encouragement and vision for engaging local communities with the Gospel.
- Pray as the Gospel is boldly proclaimed across Europe, that the blinders would be removed from hearts and eyes, and that a great number would be saved.

Okla. Church Connection | Tulsa: Memorial, Baptist Chapel, Eastwood, and Immanuel



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Meet Shannon Ford

Serving in the Czech Republic

Pray for Shannon and Katie Ford, who serve with the IMB as operations directors for the European Peoples Affinity. “Many of our efforts are focused on solving problems by finding solutions or resources to help our personnel better engage lostness,” Ford notes. “With more than 400 personnel across Europe and others serving Europeans scattered around the world, we assist with training new personnel and their supervisors to better use human and financial resources in their efforts to share the Gospel.”

HOW TO PRAY:

- For team leaders who will gather in 2020 to examine their efforts and opportunities for engagement.
- For wisdom as stewards of personnel and financial resources.
- For areas previously unengaged to have workers ready to go.

Okla. Church Connection | Oklahoma City, Exchange Avenue

FAVORITE VERSE

How good and pleasant it is when brothers can live together!

| Psalm 133:1 |



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Nov. 15, 2020

Meet Seth Bevers *Serving in Oklahoma*

Pray for Seth, his wife Katy and their infant son Noah. Seth Bevers is Baptist Collegiate Ministries Director at Western Oklahoma State College in Altus. BCM's purpose is to enhance students' relationship to Jesus Christ in association with other believers as well as to reach the campus for Him. BCM offers opportunities to be involved with evangelism, missions, prayer, Bible studies, discipleship, worship, fellowships, and sports, as well as a free lunch on Wednesdays.

Okla. Church Connection | Altus First; Tipton First; Durant Lake Point; Thackerville First; Burns Flat First; Olive First; Blair First

HOW TO PRAY:

- Complete healing of the brain tumor with which Seth Bevers is dealing.
- That the BCM will continue to have an impact on the campus of WOSC.
- That God will be glorified and the Gospel would spread.

FAVORITE VERSE

He must increase, but I must decrease.

| John 3:30 |



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Meet Albert Hesskew

Serving in Poland

Pray for the Albert Hesskew family, including his wife Kirstin and their two teenagers, Kaleb, 16, and Arin, 14. They've served in Krakow, Poland, with the IMB since 2008, involved in sports ministry, university ministry, one-on-one discipleship, church planting and orphan ministry. The summer-time orphan work allows opportunities to share with counselors from Krakow universities "and also allows our children to be involved with sharing the love of Christ to the children they take care of," Albert Hesskew said. The sports ministry opens doors to have Bible studies at the Hesskew home to reach young men with the Gospel.

HOW TO PRAY:

- For continued growth of the church in Krakow and for more successful church plants.
- For good health for our family.
- For ever-better language acquisition to more fluently share the Gospel in Polish.

Okla. Church Connection | Oklahoma City, Quail Springs

FAVORITE VERSE

and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

| Galatians 2:20 |



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Meet Cody Deevers *Serving in Arizona*

Pray for Cody Deevers, who serves as church planting pastor in Peoria, Arizona, with his wife of 23 years, Lori, and their three nearly-grown children: Silas, Cady and Charis. The Deevers family moved to Phoenix in 2015 to plant Valley Life Church/Arrowhead in the northwest part of the Phoenix suburb. “We were sent out by Mullins Baptist Association,” Deevers said. The church plant is supported by First Marlow, Immanuel Duncan, First Edmond, Rancho Village, and Ar buckle Baptist Association. “We are part of the Valley Life Network, have financially supported two other church plants here in Phoenix, and work daily with other Valley Life churches to make disciples and plant more churches,” Deevers continued.

FAVORITE VERSE

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He did not even spare His own Son but offered Him up for us all; how will He not also with Him grant us everything? Who can bring an accusation against God’s elect? God is the One who justifies. Who is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus is the One who died, but even more, has been raised; He also is at the right hand of God and intercedes for us.

| Romans 8:31-34 |

HOW TO PRAY:

- For God to “double our capacity to make disciples and plant churches.”
- That Valley Life/Arrowhead “would be a mother church that plants a church every year.”
- That the church “sees churches planted to the fourth generation.”

Okla. Church Connection | Duncan, Immanuel; Alex, Southern Baptist Chapel; Velma



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Dec. 6, 2020

Meet Kevin Peacock

Serving in Alberta, Canada

Pray for Kevin Peacock, professor of Old Testament and Hebrew at the Canadian Southern Baptist Seminary and College, which has “Training leaders for tough places” as its mission statement. The seminary and college is in Cochrane, a bit south of Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Kevin and his wife Brenda have three grown children: Meleah, Micah and Nathan, the youngest at 19. In addition to his role at the seminary, both Peacocks train ministry leaders in local churches, are leaders at the church where they are members – Tapestry Church – and are helping to start a network of churches. Brenda also works with women students and ministry wives, helping them to prepare for ministry.

HOW TO PRAY:

- Pray that God will raise up more workers in various ministries for His harvest field in Canada.
- Pray for Tapestry Church, that God will enable them to spread the Gospel throughout Cochrane and enable them to achieve their vision of planting 20 churches over the next 10 years.
- Pray for the continued ministry of Canadian Southern Baptist Seminary and College.

Okla. Church Connection |
Platter Baptist Church, Bryan Baptist Association

FAVORITE VERSE

He has told you men what is good and what it is the Lord requires of you, only to act justly, to love faithfulness and to walk humbly with your God.

| Micah 6:8 |



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Meet Chad Reynolds *Serving in Mexico*

Pray for Chad and Crystal Reynolds, who have two teenage sons. Chad serves the IMB and its missionaries in Mexico and the Caribbean by stewarding the vehicle fleet, managing housing/properties, assisting with visas, passports, airfare, and accommodations, advising on security issues and handling legal and financial activities. Crystal is part of a Member Care Team that provides counseling services for IMB missionaries and missionary kids throughout Latin America, helping our missionaries and their families live healthy and thrive on the mission field. Together the Reynolds serve on the Gateway Mexico City Team, partnering with Mexican and Southern Baptist Churches to share the Good News, plant churches, disciple believers and train leaders.

Okla. Church Connection | Broken Arrow, First; Coweta, Community; Coweta, First

HOW TO PRAY:

- Pray for Chad to run an efficient and effective office.
- Pray for Crystal to have biblical wisdom and godly counsel.
- Pray for boldness and safety for the missionaries, Mexican Baptists, Southern Baptists, and other partners on the Gateway Mexico City Team as they penetrate the darkest areas of Mexico City with the Gospel.

FAVORITE VERSE

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding; think about Him in all your ways, and He will guide you on the right paths.

| Proverbs 3:5-6 |



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Meet Roger Rose *Serving in Leipzig, Germany*

Pray for Roger and Linda Rose, married 42 years, with three married daughters and nine grandchildren. The Roses are church planters who network with pastors, churches and other believers to make known the Gospel in Leipzig. “We are partnering with two evangelical churches, teaching and facilitating Bible courses and discipleship groups,” Roger Rose writes. “Our new church plant is in an area of the city where there are no evangelical churches.”

Okl. Church Connection | Oklahoma City, Southern Hills

FAVORITE VERSE

For the grace of God has appeared with salvation for all people, instructing us to deny godlessness and worldly lusts and to live in a sensible, righteous, and godly way in the present age, while we wait for the blessed hope and appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ.

| Titus 2:11-13 |

HOW TO PRAY:

- For East Germans, that they will not allow the fear and anger of communism to linger in their hearts and make them victims of the past.
- That the German people will recognize the truth of God’s Word is the same in every language.
- For the leadership of the church plant in Leipzig to rise up and take on the responsibility to boldly share the Gospel.



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Meet Julie Espeland *Serving in Madagascar*

Pray for Julie Espeland, who with her husband Matthew and daughter Jasmine minister among the Tanala people who live in a rural mountainous area of southeast Madagascar. The Espelands have served in Madagascar for over four years. “The Tanala people are hard to reach physically and spiritually as they are deeply rooted in ancestral worship and fairly resistant to the Gospel,” Julie Espeland said. The family works with the church in their coastal town to share the Gospel and do discipleship among them.

Okla. Church Connection | Duncan, Western Heights; Shawnee, Rock Creek; Oklahoma City, Northwest

HOW TO PRAY:

- “For our family as we prepare emotionally, physically, and spiritually to return.”
- For the Tanala people to be open to the Gospel.
- “For guidance in our ministry and where we should focus our evangelism and discipleship once we return.”

FAVORITE VERSE

Rest in God alone, my soul, for my hope comes from Him. He alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold; I will not be shaken. My salvation and glory depend on God, my strong rock. My refuge is in God. Trust in Him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts before Him. God is our refuge. Selah.

| Psalm 62:5-8 |



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