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PRAYER FOCUS

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THANK YOU FOR JOINING US IN PRAYING FOR THE NATIONS!

Ask church planters how you can pray for them, and they'll tell you they need perseverance.

Church planters have to learn a whole new culture, while building relationships, organizing services and staying in close connection with God. On top of all that, being a church planter means being available to your new congregation at all hours.

"There are times when the people in your young church need you to drop everything and help them," says Vicki Reyes, a TEAM church planter in Mexico.

Vicki shared a few examples:

- "A woman and her two children show up at the door. They have just escaped a husband who arrived angry and high on some kind of drug. The woman and her children stay a few nights at our home until she can make arrangements."
- "A distraught family calls at dawn to ask if they can come to our house for advice, as their daughter has run off with a man they don't really know."
- "A woman and her boyfriend stop by as we are leaving for a meeting. They are concerned because another friend has threatened to take her life. Art [Vicki's husband] drops everything and goes with them."

"It's going to use every ounce of your gifts. ... And even the gifts you don't have, you're going to use," says Craig Querfeld, TEAM's senior director for ministry in South America.

WILL YOU JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR CHURCH PLANTERS AND THEIR GROWING CONGREGATIONS?

Sun: **PRAY** for opportunities to build relationships and break down barriers with nonbelievers.

Mon: **PRAY** for energy for church planters throughout the week, as they run services, hold Bible studies and meet with individuals.

Tue: **ASK GOD** to raise up local believers to become leaders of these new church bodies.

TURN OVER FOR MORE REQUESTS!



Wed: **PRAY** for church growth, both in numbers and in spiritual health.

Thu: **ASK GOD** to soften unbelievers' hearts as they hear His word.

Fri: **PRAY** for church planters to have a vision to not only bring people together in a church, but also to transform the society around them.

Sat: **PRAY** for encouragement and perseverance for church planting teams.

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD:

- I. GLOBAL |** A TEAM missionary on home assignment is helping a small group of young adults at his church consider missions. Will you pray for these young adults as they explore how God might be leading them? Ask God to speak clearly into their lives — and ask Him to raise up new workers from your own congregation.
- 2. SOUTHEAST ASIA |** Church planters in South Asia have been disappointed to see people come to church and then turn back to the local religion. Please pray that the Holy Spirit and the message of Christ will grip the hearts of all who walk through this church's doors. Pray that those who left will see the truth and give their lives fully to Christ.

PRAISE REPORTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD:

- I. MIDDLE EAST |** An evangelistic TV and online ministry recently saw 20 Muslims come to Christ! Two of these new believers have already been baptized and joined local congregations. Praise God for these new believers and the glory they will bring Him!
- 2. GUATEMALA |** TEAM missionaries in Guatemala expect to be joined by three adults and two children this year. Please pray for current missionaries as they prepare training materials and help these new workers transition. Ask for strong bonds between current workers and the new missionaries joining them.

**The names of the people you've helped may be changed to protect their privacy.*