

**MARCH 2018** 

## THANK YOU FOR JOINING US IN PRAYING FOR THE NATIONS!

There's a reason Jesus used water as a metaphor to describe salvation in John 4:14. Simply put, we can't survive without it.

Yet, in many parts of the world, clean, life-giving water is difficult — or impossible — to come by.

That's why so many missionaries strive to meet this physical need — and use it as a tool to share the Gospel. Water-based ministries not only open doors for relationships, but they also show God's love and mercy in a very real, tangible way.

This March, will you pray with us for water ministries and the missionaries running them?

## THIS MONTH, JOIN US IN PRAYING DAILY FOR WATER MINISTRIES AROUND THE WORLD:

- **Sun: PRAY** that missionaries will successfully pass on their knowledge so that locals can keep water projects running long after the missionaries leave.
- *Mon:* **PRAY** for favor with local municipalities and governments so missionaries can obtain all the necessary permits for water projects to move forward.
- **Tue: PRAY** that those who are touched by these physical projects will also experience the true salvation Jesus offers.
- Wed: **PRAY** for full funding so missionaries can buy durable equipment for each project.
- **Thu: ASK GOD** to give missionaries wisdom as they seek out communities with the greatest needs both physically and spiritually.
- **Fri: PRAY** for women and girls around the world who walk miles each day to gather potable water. Ask God to keep them safe and provide lasting solutions for their problems.
- Sat: **PRAY** that knowledgeable, skilled missionaries will be receptive to God's call.

## PRAYER REQUESTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD:

- I. MOZAMBIQUE | The Zambezi Delta in Mozambique is home to thousands of people living on islands that are largely isolated from the mainland. Mercy Air and YWAM are active in reaching out to these villages, and they have extended an invitation to TEAM to consider partnering with them in this ministry. In April, a few of our missionaries will be traveling there to explore the opportunity and seek the Lord's leading. Pray for safety and direction.
- 2. **PHILIPPINES** | Seth O'Day asks for prayers as Mayon Volcano continues to erupt, with lava, gases and ashfall flowing from the mountain. Mudslides are a continuing threat if a lot of rain falls. The mountain could still experience a catastrophic eruption, but it seems less likely as more time passes. Evacuees remain in crowded shelters, waiting for the eruption to finish so they can go home. Please pray for their peace and comfort.
- 3. **JAPAN** | David McClanahan reports that it's the coldest part of the year in Japan, and most of Tokyo's homeless rotate between the train station and McDonald's to warm up. However, both of those places are closed between 2:00 and 4:30 a.m. Please pray that Japan's homeless population will find adequate ways to stay warm during these harsh months.
- 4. **ZIMBABWE** | Please continue to pray for economic improvements with the new government. Zimbabwe continues to have a cash shortage and the cost of living is increasing greatly.

## PRAISE REPORTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD:

- I. JAPAN | In December, a woman received a flyer about Don Reiger's English Bible class. She has continued to attend and sometimes stays for the worship service afterward. This is a real answer to prayer!
- 2. **SOUTH AFRICA** | Union Bible College recently graduated 20 students and awarded their very first Bachelor of Theology degrees to six of them. Eric and Susan Binion are grateful to be able to offer accredited programs that produce leaders for the churches of southern Africa.
- 3. **EAST ASIA** | Last month, TEAM missionaries spent time with nomads in East Asia, bringing health training, developing relationships and sharing love. This has been a prayer and dream of many for years, and to see one more step of its fruition calls for rejoicing.