

Michigan District LWML Missionary Newsletter

Philippians 4:6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving present your requests to God.

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Recent Highlights! From James Rush

Chinese New Year; also known as Lunar New Year or Winter Break.

During this time James went to Thailand and Cambodia. He thoroughly enjoyed the people, culture, and opportunity to see both city and country life in these two countries.

Map of Asia



Taiwan to America:

The National Youth Gathering in Orlando will be the destination for six Taiwanese and James this summer. Keep them in your prayers as they raise the funds needed to make the trip possible. James has been asked to be a Presenter.

MISSIONARIES OF THE MONTH TIM AND BETH HEINEY

These have been trying times in Guinea.

Beth has written nearly daily. She is a remarkable woman. She has written her e-mails with such passion for the cause; her strong faith just permeates the pages. If ever a definition of prayer warrior were needed it would be Beth Heiney.

The highlights and the prayer needs.

- 2/10 The team of missionaries in the area were meeting for a retreat of quiet time and prayer. The country is in the process of selecting a new Prime Minister. Leading to unrest. Surrounding towns were rioting in the streets.
- 2/13 turn for worse. Martial law, confined to house except 4 hours each day. Many trying to leave country, lot of gunfire. Embassy may evacuate soon
- 2/20 a week since we were whisked away from our homes with but a suitcase of belongings. Tim's going to Togo. The family is close to Katie's school. (their daughter) Keep her in prayer she is still having problems with her broken foot. She also had a burned esophagus but it is healing and she is able to eat again.
- 2/24 Presidential elections in Dakar this weekend
- Embassy in Guinea advising those leaving Conakry not to head to Senegal. The Norton's and Andrea are safe also.

Always in our minds is our home in Guinea. What does the future hold? Will we be able to go back? Pray for the country, pray for the missionaries still there, and pray for our church and leaders. Pray for a good change in Guinea for the people. "I thought of that last Thursday as I stared at the great big grey Air Force plane I was standing beside, imagining the wings being lifted with the prayers of thousands. May those prayers now blanket the entire country of Guinea until we can return again to its shores!!

Prayer Request Time!!

James Rush

- Taiwanese youth and young adults who are going to the LCMS Youth Gathering in Orlando Florida.
- Pray for the Concordia Gospel mission and work being done in Thailand.
- Pray for the ministry of Greg Holz in Cambodia
- Family member Aunt Debbie recovering from hospital stay. Sister Jennifer in her quest to become a paramedic.

Rachel Easterday, Aszod, Hungary

- Thanksgiving for teachers and students who translate for her during church, other services and school ceremonies
- Pray that students listen and respond to the messages contained in the Proclaimer (an mp3 player that plays the New Testament in English).
- For opportunities to show and talk about her faith with students in and out of class.

Karry Perfetti, Nigeria, West Africa

- Praise God for the peace in Nigeria as elections come closer
- Praise God for His control when it is out of our control
- Praise God for faithful prayer partners
- Pray for peace to remain that elections will run peacefully and give a true result.
- Pray for continued support when I return in June to the states asking for support for this changing ministry.

Matthew Heise, Moscow Russia

- Pray for the graduates of the theological Institute of the Ev. Church of Ingria and God's blessings on their respective calls to service in the church.
- Thank God for ability to teach Galatians without translation help. It creates a closer relationship with the students.
- Pray God's blessings on Jon Muhley who returns with his family to Russia as administrator for LCMS World Mission in Russia.
- Pray for peace between Russia and the nation of Georgia.

Congratulations are in order!

It's a Boy! Born to Ron and Lisa Mudge 11/12/06
Aaron Christian Mudge

Birthdays

February 7
Karry Perfetti
February 17
Rachel Esterday

Anniversary

February 27
Chuck and Karen
Tessaro

IN MEMORIUM

Tammy Kinney passed away February 16th in Guatemala City, Guatemala. She died peacefully with husband Paul at her side.

Tammy succumbed to cancer after a valiant fight. A memorial service was held at the Christian Academy of Guatemala on Sunday February 18, 2007 Another service will be in Medora, Indiana, Tammy's home area. Tammy is now with the Lord, free from illness and the trials of this earth. Jesus told her "I am the Resurrection and the life...They are given eternal life for believing in me and will never perish"

John 11:25-26NLT