

**Fri 25: Phil and Lydia Evans – Latvia:** We fly out today to spend a month in Riga working with Malcolm and Ruth Firth and making plans for serving in Riga long term. Pray for us as we look for housing and as we lead the *Envision* team which arrives next week.

**Sat 26: Ian & Hélène Flanders – Radio, Abingdon, UK:** One reader recently wrote in an email: ‘...this booklet transformed us. We have been teaching a false message and now we know the truth...’. Please pray that all our many listeners and readers would be given a clearer understanding of the gospel and how we are to live in the light of it.

**Sun 27: Daniel Caballero – Lima, Peru:** We start the process of having a book publisher in Peru. Please pray for the people involved in this project and for wisdom to know which books to publish. (*JB-Wycliffe, Sheffield*)

**Mon 28: GBM Council:** Our annual elections to GBM Council takes place at Annual Mission Day this October. There are still some vacancies so pray that people will be nominated who can bring their experience to the work of running the mission.

**Tues 29: Kester Putman – Literature, Abingdon, UK:** People often email with descriptions of the use of the literature we send. For example, this from Kenya: ‘*The latest book is so clear on presenting the gospel and salvation. The book is excellent in weaning people from the Word of Faith influences. We have a book club, where a book is read by the whole church (or those who are able) and they meet in small groups to discuss and analyse it.*’

**Wed 30: Finance:** Pray that the financial needs of the mission will be met as the year proceeds. That we will have wisdom in knowing where to make savings and that new giving will be found to enable new missionaries to go and serve.

**Thur 31: Envision:** The Latvia *Envision* team flies out today and will be spending the next ten days in Riga reaching out to international students as they arrive for university and encouraging Malcolm & Ruth Firth and their church.

#### Abbreviations

DB	Dan Bryant	JH	James Hammond
JB	Jonathan Bayes	P&LE	Phil & Lydia Evans
JDS	Jim Sayers		

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# Partnership in prayer



## August 2017

I pray that your partnership with us in the faith may be effective in deepening your understanding of every good thing we share for the sake of Christ. Philemon 1:4

**Tues 1: Brian & Necy Ellis – Metro Manila, Philippines:** Grace Ministerial Academy will have a special Modular Course for two weeks from Aug 1-10 when Dr Ian Densham from the UK will be teaching. On Saturday 5 we celebrate the 38<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Cubao Reformed Baptist Church with a special thanksgiving service.

**Wed 2: S & A – Serbia:** For the first few days of August we will be attending a family camp with other Serbian Christian workers. Pray for a mutually encouraging time. Pray for our church apprentice who gets married on 5 August – S is leading the ceremony and preaching.

**Thur 3: Sarah Clay – Huaraz, Peru:** On 3 August we finish the church course we’ve been teaching. I arrive in the UK on 16<sup>th</sup> for furlough. Please pray for all the goodbyes, for me to trust into the Lord’s hands every precious heart I’ve had the privilege to care for during this time and for the conflicting emotions and tensions this transition time evokes.

**Fri 4: Andrzej & Monika Kempczyński – Legionowo, Poland:** We are on holiday the first two weeks of August, please pray we will have a good rest. Also pray for Andrzej (from Belarus) who is preaching his first sermon in Polish during our absence.

**Sat 5: Graham & Sally Jones – Kisumu, Kenya:** Please pray for Kenya as there are presidential elections on 8<sup>th</sup>. Pray they will be free, fair and peaceful. We will be in the UK for August serving at Guildford Park Church. Graham is preaching on Sundays. Please pray we will be an encouragement to the church while we are there.

**Sun 6: P & C – West Africa:** Pray for C as she begins work at a hospital in the UK. Pray this will be useful both for now and for professional links in the future.

**Mon 7: Jonathan & Cathy Bayes – Ministerial Training, UK:** Please pray that our family holiday at the beginning of the month will be refreshing for all of us, and that I will then make good progress with the editing of Systematic Theology Part 2.

**Tues 8: N – Southport, UK:** Please pray on for those who have come to trust the Lord from a different religious background as there are often many issues to work through. Pray the Word will have a real impact upon their lives. Pray too for Holiday Bible Clubs at Blackburn 8/9 and 15/16 August.

**Wed 9: Jason & Andrea Murfitt – Manacapuru, Brazil:** Jason is traveling to the tribe for two and a half weeks in the first half of August. Please pray that these last visits to the tribe will be really significant as he leaves the Apurina leadership to preach and lead their church without him. Please remember Lucy and Andrea as they continue schooling.

**Thur 10: James Hammond – Bordeaux, France:** I start my visa-renewal process, please pray that this would go smoothly. I'll be one of the speakers at the Root Hill Youth Camp, pray that God's Word would have an impact on those who hear it (Aug 22). Continue to pray for next year's student leaders and my relationship with them - that we would reach more and more students with the Gospel.

**Fri 11: N & U – Bradford, UK:** Pray for N and the family as they are overseas for a few weeks visiting friends and family arriving back 26 August.

**Sat 12: D & I – SE Asia:** Give thanks for baptism services in the city 1hr away by train on 13 Aug. Pray too for one of our elders. He is beginning to be asked to work on Sundays again by his boss in his new job, which until now was going well. Please ask that the Lord will guide him in this matter.

**Sun 13: Malcolm & Ruth Firth – Riga, Latvia:** Pray for the church during this month. It is a quieter time with a number away, but an important time as we are able to get to know better those who are here. It is also a time when we see a number of visitors. Pray too that we will find rest and refreshment. *(JB-Thirsk)*

**Mon 14: Derek & Jacki French – Radio, Abingdon, UK:** The Missionary Exhibition at the EMW Aberystwyth Conference always brings a good response and interest in the work of GBM. Derek will be looking after the GBM stand from 14- 18 August. Pray for good contacts.

**Tues 15: Jean Ellis – Klagenfurt, Austria:** Please pray for endurance for the Deaf believers, who should be reading Genesis chapters 32 to 36 during August - using a plan I prepared for them. Please also pray for me as I start preparations for the studies in Ephesians for the Deaf men planned to begin in September.

**Wed 16: P S – Poland:** We have been able to talk with and pass on tracts to a number of Polish people at the Christ Church, Deeside book table. Please pray that the Holy Spirit would work in them, as they consider what has been said to them and in reading the tracts.

**Thur 17: Ronny & Rocío Tipismana – Arequipa, Peru:** Praise God the work has increased, with more meetings and home visits to teach the people the gospel of our Lord.

**Fri 18: P & S – Central Asia:** Praise God for bringing another worker to the city: P works part time and will move due to her husband's work – and your prayers! Keep praying for more staff: fields are white. Pray for students who heard the gospel last term; that seeds planted would bear fruit. Praise God D loves the nursery! *(JDS & DB-GBM Root Hill Youth Camp until 26)*

**Sat 19: Root Hill:** Pray for GBM Root Hill Youth Camp that starts today near Dorking in Surrey. The main speaker is Ian Parry, pray for God's Word to bring the unsaved to faith and to challenge young Christians to serve.

**Sun 20: Adam & Julia Laughton – (AGBC SE) Gateway Project, UK:** We rejoice at opportunities for more community events (Summer BBQ etc) as well as a small group of attendees at our "Coffee & Questions" each month. However, we are praying very much for some breakthroughs... i.e. more obvious and explicit gospel conversations and opportunities, with our many "friendly but not that interested" neighbours.

**Mon 21: Andrew & Marea Cook – Radio, Abingdon, UK:** Give thanks that a consignment of the *Serving Today* book about the Reformation arrived safely in Kenya. A few more consignments are due to be sent over the next few months to India and Nigeria. Please pray that the books would reach their destination and be a blessing to the recipients.

**Tues 22: Aries & Jodith Liboro – Metro Manila, Philippines:** We have received new applications for church membership. We praise the Lord for this. They have already been interviewed and have come before the church, the church will meet after a few weeks to discuss their application. Please pray for wisdom and guidance as the church meets regarding these new applicants. *(JB-Pontefract; JH-Root Hill Youth Camp)*

**Wed 23: Keith & Sarah Charlton – OneHundredFold:** Give thanks to God that I am settling into home working, and pray for continued concentration on my work. Remember the training of pastors in places of persecution. Ask God that the input OneHundredFold makes, with others, would be blessed by God. *(P&LE-Melksham)*

**Thur 24: Tom & Lucy Forryan – France:** The cost of accommodation in Central Paris is extremely high. Pray that God may wonderfully provide us with a home next summer that is affordable and makes it possible to work in the heart of Paris. *(P&LE-Root Hill Youth Camp)*