

LCPC MISSIONS

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BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY—May

Day—	Celebratee
7	Gertrude Nicholas
8	Jonathan Cochrane
14	Steve & Becky Cochrane
20	Kris Jensen
21	Verne Marshall
28	Tim Higginbotham
29	Jack & Diane Parker

Ask Virginia Carrell for an up-to-date “Lake Crest Presbyterian Church” Missionary Directory, for details concerning address and age of the celebratee.

Virginia Carrell, Correspondence Secretary

LCPC YOUTH MISSION EFFORT

The LCPC youth will be helping serve Wednesday dinner and clean up at the **Jimmy Hale Mission**, Birmingham, AL on the following 2009 dates:

- May 20
- August 19
- November 18

ADDRESS CHANGES

SIMMONS, PAULA

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MISSIONARY NEWS—

ELKIN, RON & JACKIE

“I am teaching a four week Sunday School class at Grace Point Church. This is a Korean-American church for English speakers. The congregation members through their work and schools have contact with Jewish people. Pray this class will encourage them to witness to their Jewish contacts. If you or your church want to learn more about Jewish evangelism, please contact me

“Finally, I am exploring the possibility of hosting a half hour radio program on one of two stations. One of the stations reaches approximately 11 million people. Many people, including several of my board of directors, are encouraging me to pursue this type of evangelistic ministry. Please pray for God’s will to be done and the financial resources to pay for this ministry (approximately \$11,000 a year – plus \$3,000 start up cost).”

SIMMONS, PAULA

“I’m writing with some very good news! Communication from our part of the world has always been very difficult for a variety of reasons. However, technology is proving to be our friend and we are happy to say we anticipate now being able to communicate with you on a regular basis through something called Constant Contact....

“Although we are excited to be able to stay in touch more frequently and share with you some of the many ‘stories’ that happen during the course of a month, we will not be able to use religious vocabulary or tell stories of faith or discipleship. Whenever you read these updates, we’d like to ask three things:

“Please **DO** read between the lines! You know us and what is dearest to our hearts!

“Please **DO** pray! As you hear us talk about the workers and their families or perhaps difficulties we face, please treat the information as we’d just given you a list of prayer requests!

“Please **DO** share the updates with your friends! As these updates will not have specific religious content that could negatively effect our ability to remain in-country, we’d greatly appreciate your forwarding these updates to friends and family who will understand and pray for us.”

TRIPLETT, SUZY

“Prayer Requests:

- Please pray for a peaceful resolution to the current political crisis. Also, pray for a long-lasting solution to the constant political unrest that is afflicting this nation and hindering its development and economy. Pray that God would use the political uncertainties to move hearts to trust in Him. And pray for continues protection from harm during this time.
- Pray for myself, my team and the Thai Church, that we would be faithful in living out the Gospel in our everyday lives as we seek to bring the people and communities in Thailand into a living encounter with the Kingdom of God.
- Pray for my time at the workshop....Pray that the political unrest will not affect my ability to travel to and from the conference.
- Pray for ‘Monk Nai’ who is interested in learning about Christianity, Pray that God would be preparing his heart to hear and experience the truth and would remove all obstacles to his coming to visit the church.”

REYNOSO, PEGGY

“April 29—Peggy has minor surgery to remove a cyst.”
JENSEN, KRIS

“Assyrian Team Prayer Requests:

- Homer Ashurian asks prayer for a laser procedure that he has had on both eyes....
- Demsin has been suffering from bouts of severe heartburn. He is going to have a procedure done to help it and asks prayer for that to relieve him of his distress.
- My Healthy Chocolate business is gaining some interest and momentum. Pray that many will understand this as a way to infuse new funds into my ministry of Bible translation and partner with me while taking care of their health by making good food choices. I only want God to be honored and blessed in this endeavor.”

BRANNON, ROB & JOANNE

“Please join us in prayer as ‘hit the road’ here in the west to do several Book Signings throughout Utah (**Utah**: Springville, Layton, Snowville; **Colorado**: Colorado Springs, Focus on the Family). Please join us in praying that the Lord Jesus Christ will be highly exalted and that His kingdom will be built through the lives we touch and the places we go and connections that we make for the Gospel....

“We (the Brannon Family) will be dressing in our Medieval garb and playing our ‘Golden Arrow Promo Video’ that we prepared for the Book Signings. You can watch our Golden Arrow video by going to this link:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qPFsLMd-gig>.”

COCHRANE, STEVE & BECKY

“A few weeks from now the annual church conference will be taking place. Steve will have opportunity to hear the heartbeat of church leaders within the EEPM, as well as share what the mission is currently doing. Please pray that everyone attending will leave the meetings having had their ‘batteries recharged’ with fresh vision for how God is working and what their part is in advancing the Gospel here in Mali. Pray for Steve, especially, that he would clearly communicate the passion and strategy of the Mali field.

“Currently our boys are on spring break, and they are loving it! A few weeks ago, the middle school and high school students at BCA had their second annual school retreat out at Mana. They were able to take a few days away from standard classes to learn from God’s Word, explore God’s creation and have fun at it! Jonny, our 7th grader, took part in the activities. I also went along as the cook. Josh and Danny stayed behind with Steve for the few days we were gone. If they couldn’t go, they were at least glad that their teachers had pity on them and gave them less homework for a few days.”

KUKEC, DAVOR & SANDRA

“It is amazing to see the power of prayer—many of you wrote back saying that you’ve prayed for our conference, for the couples, for the speakers and for His power to be evident. And it was! In the past, many couples would cancel in the last minute—this time, only one couple canceled. This time we’ve asked several volunteers to help us deliver talks—and they did a magnificent job—we hope that because of this experience some of them will become regular Family Life speakers. Some even took our talks and gave them at their church! So many great things happened, I don’t know where to start.

“I’ll just tell you the Valter’s story—he found out about our conference by chance, and since his marriage was falling apart, he decided to sign up. His letter said, ‘Your conference is the last chance to save our marriage! I am not even sure if I can get my wife to come.’ After the conference, ‘I am incredibly delighted with the conference, with your expertise, interesting and practical ideas and how much you’ve influenced me and my wife—because of the conference, we are different people.’—you prayed for them too!...

“Sandra was doing so much better for a while, and now she is struggling again, probably with allergies. Nothing severe, just bothersome. She has almost lost voice for a few days (and that was scary since she was speaker at the women’s conference). Otherwise, she is doing well, investing in lives of many women around her.

“Luka—happy, still enjoying life, everyone is his friend, continues to enjoy his karate. School? Well, he and his teachers disagree sometimes as to what she said and what Luka ‘thinks’ she said, but I think everything will be OK in the end. He is good at anything he starts, but he is best at winning friends (and our smiles).

“Matej—his soccer ‘career’ is over for the season—his Achilles tendons are too sore (his bones are growing faster than his tendons), so he will have to take a break until September. So, right now, he enjoys sports with less strenuous activity like fishing and frog catching (yup, you’ve read it right—and I have to join in his expeditions—mucho gross!). But hey, it is fun having boys.

“Me—well, I don’t know—let’s see...Hmmm...I guess, I am doing well. Haven’t really read anything good recently, so I feel a little dry, and considering our schedule in the next few months, I doubt that I’ll find time to read anything worth mentioning. I am just perplexed again as to how little I know about God and His purpose, considering cross, Easter and resurrection. What a depth of love! Man!”

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