

### Tell the World

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Our previous church had a little library area which is full of donated books. I was browsing through them one day when I came across The Jaffrey Series which is a series of biographies written about the lives of different Alliance International Workers. I had read a couple of these at one time or another, so I was happy to see the entire series.

It was encouraging to read how God used each one, even though they were all gifted in different ways. Some had the gifts of teaching, others helps, still others administration. But a common thread ran through all their lives. They each had a desire for people to know the love and saving power of Jesus Christ. And because of that desire, they were willing to endure terrible hardship and at times, persecution, and separation from family.

*Romans 10:12-15 says, "For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"*

These verses are our commission to reach our neighborhoods, communities and the world for Christ. I fear that the American church has gotten quite complacent about that commission. Our biggest concern is for our own convenience and comfort, and we don't want anything to interfere with what we hold near and dear.

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## **2021-2022 National Project, “Belong”**

NED 2021-2022 Goal—\$20,000.00

Year-to-date total—\$ 420.00



You can go to the home page on our website by clicking on the picture above for more information on the National Project



### **Pompidou Guest Home Needs**

Just a reminder that we have a new guest home that we are supporting in Libreville, Gabon, Africa. Libreville is an important city as this is where all team members entering and exiting the country travel to as a starting point. The Pompidou Guest House has many needs and we have decided to take this on as our district project.

### **Pompidou Guest Home Needs & 2021-2022 Goal:**

Paint & Spruce up 3 upstairs bedrooms—\$1,500.00

Amount Raised to Date—\$ 75.00

Any extra that comes in over the \$1,500.00 will go towards new screens on a screened-in back porch, as well as furniture for the porch.

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The Alliance Women theme this year is *Belong*. How will people hear the Good News of Christ and know He longs for a relationship with them if we use the following excuses?

- We are too tired to invite anyone over because we worked hard all day?
- We can't associate with that type of person?
- We have plans that we don't want to change?
- We are too embarrassed or fearful to open our mouths?
- We allow our politics or social positions take forefront over the gospel?
- We can't miss our favorite show?
- We want to hide away in our nice comfortable home?

I want to encourage you to read through these verses again. Pray over them this year. Ask God to give you a conviction and renewed desire to reach out to those around you. Show the love of Christ to your friends, family, neighbors, and coworkers. Tell them how much God longs relationship with them and that they matter to Him.

Go out and be the hands and feet of Jesus to a lost world.

## Short-Term Missions Scholarships Available

The District Missions Committee offers four \$250 scholarships to anyone 13 years or older interested in doing a short-term mission's trip to an international C&MA field or with a C&MA International Worker. This is a first come first serve opportunity.

If you are interested contact the Terri Groh at [terrigroh@yahoo.com](mailto:terrigroh@yahoo.com) for an application and guidelines

# Pray for our International Workers

## **Eikost, Mark & Kathy, Bosnia-Herzegovina**

### **Prayer:**

- This is the time of year when we submit our paperwork for our residence visa (1 year) and wait to see if we get approved to stay in Bosnia for another year. Please pray for favor with the Dept of Foreign Affairs that grants these visas.
- Mark's mom has come down with Covid even though she was vaccinated in January. Please pray for her recovery.
- Praise God with us for a great apartment in the center of town. It's within walking distance to stores and the farmer's market. We are also thankful for those who gave generously to our car fund. We are in the process of buying a ministry vehicle that we hope will last a good 10 years.

## **Hopkins, Walter & Laura, Spain**

### **Prayer:**

- Please pray for LIFE International School as they continue the transition to a new building this summer.
- Pray also for the new teachers arriving to teach this fall. There are still some who are awaiting visas.
- Pray that their visas would be processed quickly and that they would be able to arrive before the start of the academic year on September 7.
- Please pray also that the Lord would provide more families that would consider LIFE as an option for their children's education and that they would be drawn into relationship with Him.
- Please pray for our children, Zach and Eliana, as they process through this big life change that they are about to experience. They are excited, but it is also bittersweet as they consider saying goodbye to friends.
- Please pray for us (Walter and Laura) as we continue the journey of inviting people and churches to partner with us in this ministry that the Lord has called us to.

## **Ingrassia, Phil & Chelsea, Bongolo Hospital, Gabon**

- Pray for our nursing students starting up the school year, for renewed strength. They have a spiritual retreat Sept 16-17. Pray God would move in all our hearts. It is focused on loving God with all our hearts, minds, souls and loving our neighbor as ourselves. We all need God's help in that, right?
- The other 3 nursing professors will be traveling back from the US just before the retreat, God-willing. Pray all goes smoothly and that the broken bones for 2 teammates heal well so they can come on time.
- Praise the Lord we will have more anesthetists in September, including an experienced missionary anesthetist from Guinea. So pray that Phil can start back at doing some medical and spiritual teaching to the other anesthetists in the mornings. Pray Phil can role model taking pride in doing the best job you can as if the patient were a family member. Also He is excited to start a doctorate and eventually fellowship program Aug 30.
- Praise that he got the grant! Keep praying he can find a quiet office space.

### **CAC Worker, S.**

- I have a new job and will be moving back to Hong Kong in 2 weeks to start this new job.
- I would appreciate prayers for wisdom and favor with my new teammates as well as opportunities to share with those I work with.

## Session Speakers



**Gloria Chapman**



**Lisa Sellen**

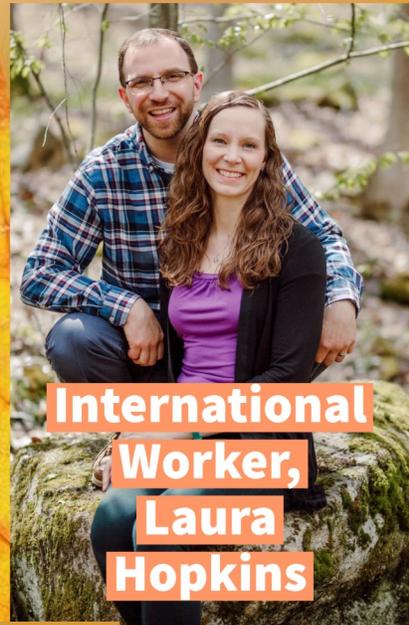
## Fall Refocus Retreat "A Place Where You Belong"

**September 24-25, 2021**

**Delta Lake Bible Conference Center**

**Mercy Market items for sale  
Worship  
Fellowship  
Encouragement**

**To register see your Pastor's  
Wife or Women's Ministry  
Leader or go to  
[www.nedalliancewomen.org](http://www.nedalliancewomen.org) for  
more information.**



**International  
Worker,  
Laura  
Hopkins**

**Early Bird Deadline—September 10, 2021  
Final Deadline—September 17, 2021**

# Bible Study Resources for 2021-2022

**Heather Holleman, Included in Christ: Living a New Story from Ephesians (Chicago, Moody, 2017) – An 8-week Bible Study of Ephesians** The author examines key verbs in Ephesians (included, chosen, seated, strengthened, renewed, filled, proclaiming) and asks questions to help participants write the stories that have shaped their life in Christ.)

**Heather Holleman, Seated with Christ: Living Freely in a Culture of Comparison (Chicago, Moody, 2015)** Take your seat and live – simply, freely, fully – because of Jesus, for Jesus, and in the love of Jesus.

**Jon Tyson, Beautiful Resistance: The Joy of Conviction in a Culture of Compromise (Colorado Springs, CO, Multnomah, 2020).** A revived vision for faithful discipleship in a culture that is longing to see the beauty of Jesus.

**Deborah E. Gorton, Embracing Uncomfortable: Facing Our Fears While Pursuing Our Purpose (Chicago, Northfield, 2020)** Practical choices and actions that initiate the change you want for your life.

**Rob Reimer, Soul Care: Seven Transformational Principles for a Healthy Soul (Franklin, TN, Carpenter's Son, 2016)** Spiritual practices that initiate the journey into the freedom and fullness of Christ.

**Francis Chan, Until Unity (Colorado Springs, CO, David C Cook, 2021)** As the world grows more divided, His Bride should increase in love until we attain the unity that brings revival.

**John Stumbo, A Stained Beauty: The Church Ancient and Present (Nesting Tree Books, 2020)** The church has much to learn from its origins and much still to contribute to our world.