September 2025

The following prayer requests are from CBF field personnel who are the presence of Christ around the world. As a "prayer associate" committed to praying for CBF missions and ministries on a regular basis, you are a partner, colleague and companion. Thank you for your support.

To think about:

"Wherever people love each other and are true to each other and take risks for each other, God is with them and for them and they are doing God's will."

-Fredrick Buechner

Kim Wyatt, Welcome House for Refugees, Raleigh, NC

Pray for R who has been in detention in Louisiana for 11 devastating months. Her hearing is September 24th. Pray that her lawyer will represent her with all the wisdom and knowledge at his disposal as if she were his own sister. Pray that the judge will listen and rule in such a way that R may join her family in Raleigh, NC in the coming months.

Pray for all children, teachers, and staff as a new school year begins. Pray that the children and staff will feel safe and seen. Pray that the children's parents will be safe and can work and move freely to care for their families and the children can attend school without worry. Pray for the teachers, administration and staff members as they plan to do all within their power to keep school a safe place for learning.

Pray for an opportunity that has presented itself to share online educational access in a country where women are not provided educational opportunities. Pray for wisdom in how to move forward for a potential virtual pilot and for the volunteers that will be needed to move forward.

Brooke and Mike, Theological Education and Hospitality, Waco, TX

For most of our Indonesian students, the semester has just begun. This means they are finding their ways into student communities. Pray that they would find their way into our ministry for young adults and that they would make a deep connection within a beloved community and be transformed as they grow in Christ together.

Rick Burnette, Agricultural Development Ministry, Immokalee, FL

Since August 1st, in Immokalee and nearby communities, there has been a sustained, heavy presence of law enforcement officials (e.g., ICE,

local sheriff's department, Highway Patrol, border police, Fish and Wildlife Commission) who are carrying out stops, detentions and arrests, even impacting those with visas and work permits. This activity and presence have contributed to widespread anxiety and trauma, causing residents to be afraid to go to the market and work.

We continue to ask for prayers on behalf of an associate whose legal residential status may be in jeopardy given current uncertainties related to our nation's immigration policies. We pray for her ongoing efforts to organize documents, for her lawyer to be competent, and for the just mercy of officials who will be reviewing her case in the coming months. We also pray for other hardworking immigrant families around us who live with constant anxiety.

We are grateful for the recent involvement of Zebulon Baptist (Zebulon, NC) during July 22-25. The team connected with the Immokalee and LaBelle communities in many ways, including garden work, painting the exterior of Primera Iglesia Bautista Hispana de LaBelle, and sharing food with our farmworker neighbors at Misión Peniel that Friday. We are so grateful for the team's enthusiastic involvement and witness.

We are also grateful that Providence Baptist in Cookeville, Tennessee is our most recent Encourager Church. Ellen and I have had close ties to the Providence family for decades and are grateful to Ellen Sechrest for helping us to make our partnership official through the Encourager Church initiative. The signing of the Encourager Church covenant took place during the August 10th worship service at Providence.

Kirk and Suzie, Bible Literacy and Translation, Southeast Asia

Please pray for the Mohsin family of seven, asylum seekers who have been waiting for resettlement in Bangkok for 12 years! They have a sponsor church waiting to welcome them, and their second interview was August 28th. Pray for favor with the Canadian immigration authorities and for a breakthrough in the process so they can settle into a new forever home!

Pray for Somchai, B leader and only believer in his village. Pray for him as he leads the small group of B believers in digging into the scriptures in their language, and in serving and loving their local community.

Pray for Kirk as he relates with education leaders from all over SE Asia to advocate for multilingual education and thriving for minority language speakers.

Dianne McNary, Offering for Global Missions Advocate, Little Rock, AR

Pray for our field personnel children as many of them begin the new school year.

Prayer about your gifts to the Offering for Global Missions which supports our field personnel. Lift up field personnel in your prayers.

Karen Alford, Community/Medical Development, Vogan, Togo, West Africa

Please pray for a patient with a broken leg that has been slow to heal; for those starving in Gaza and elsewhere around the world; for children vulnerable to exploitation; for those caught in cycles of abuse; for me to hopefully get a better car that doesn't break down as often; for safety and care for immigrants and refugees; for wisdom and good leadership globally.

Global Missions Team

Pray for our new season of the Offering for Global Missions with our theme of Embracing Neighbors Nurturing Hope. Pray for our staff as we partner with congregations and ministries to share the Good News of Christ.

September Birthday Calendar

(CH)- Chaplain; (FP)- Field Personnel; (GSC)- Global Service Corps; (PC)- Pastoral counselor; (FPC)- Child of field personnel; (S)- CBF staff member

1 Reginald Bradley, San Francisco, CA (CH)
1 Julie Cadenhead, Pensacola, FL (CH)

1 Terry Eddinger, Winston-Salem, NC (CH-Ret.)
1 Lucy Hearne, 2013, Danville, VA (FPC)
1 Bisser Ovcharov, Houston, TX (CH)
1 Ralph Stocks, Emeritus (FP)
2 Dennis McDuffie, Atoka, TN (CH)
2 Sara Moran, Greer, SC (CH)
3 Jenny Jenkins, Emeritus (FP)
3 Ann Owen, Viera, FL (CH)
3 Duane Powell (S-CBF Global)
4 Vicki Lumpkin, Greensboro, NC (CH)
4 Shirley Massey, Chapel Hill, NC (CH)
5 Eddie Aldape, Spain (FP)
5 Kelly Belcher, Asheville, NC (CH-Ret.)
5 Roger Benimoff, Grand Prairie, TX (CH)
5 Becky Brannon, Gainesville, GA (CH)
5 David Brown, Emeritus (FP)
5 David D'Amico, Emeritus (FP)
5 Alexandria Geovanni, Lake Charles, LA (CH)
6 Valerie Caldwell, Stone Mountain, GA (CH)
6 Carla Cherry, Worthington, OH (CH)
6 Ellen Di Giosia (S-Texas)
6 Tyler Johnson, Birmingham, AL (CH)
6 David Stone (S-North Carolina)
6 Daniel Edward Tatum, Marietta, GA (CH)
7 Martha Harper, Madison, MS (CH)
7 Lee Hendricks, Greenville, NC (CH)
7 Lita Sample, San Francisco Bay Area, CA (FP)
8 Renee Edington, Lexington, KY (CH)
8 Daniel Hall, Pineville, KY (CH)
8 Jody Harrison, Dallas, TX (CH)
8 Chad Mustain, Dallas, TX (CH)
8 Kristen Pierce, Lilburn, GA (CH)
9 Brett Barber, Durham, NC (CH)
9 Rhonda James-Jones, Hiram, GA (CH)
10 Tashara Boochee, San Francisco, CA (CH)
10 Nancy Campbell, Kansas City, MO (CH)
10 Sarah Montoya, San Francisco, CA (CH)
11 Courtney Hester, Jacksonville, GA (CH)
11 Larry Hovis (S-North Carolina)
12 Bryan Lake, Cumming, GA (CH)
13 Scot McCosh, Fayetteville, NC (CH)
13 Richard Morris, Lebanon, PA (CH)
13 Kathy Turner, Charlotte, NC (CH)
14 Hephzibah James Chetepally, Augusta, GA (CH)
14 Bart Grooms, Birmingham, AL (PC)
14 Priscilla Howick, Jacksonville, FL (CH)
15 Brandy Mullins, Manvel, TX (CH)
16 Dick Allison, Hattiesburg, MS (CH)
16 Matthew Dinkins, Matthews, NC (CH)
16 Jeff Ellison, Heath, TX (CH)
16 Debbie Haag (S-South Carolina)
16 Karen Heistand, Rochester, MN (CH)
16 Byron Johnson, Paris Island, SC (CH)
17 Angela Clark, Matthews, NC (CH)
17 Jean Craddock, Lexington, KY (PC)
17 Tammy Latimer, Springfield, MO (CH)
17 Elket Rodríguez, U.S.-Mexico border (S-CBF Global)
17 George Rossi, Charleston, SC (CH)
17 I. Malik Saafir, Nashville, TN (CH)
18 Mark Johnston, Augusta, GA (CH)
18 Jenni Summer Shannon (S-Kentucky)
19 Brittany Kohan, Pittsboro, NC (CH)
19 Cari Willis, Benson, NC (CH)
20 David Bluford, Lenoir City, TN (CH)
20 Heidi Dechow, Salisbury, NC (CH)
20 Katherine Moneypenny, Douglas, GA (CH)
20 Renee Owen (S-CBF Global)
20 Adam Ridenhour, Winston Salem, NC (CH)
21 Mark Flores, Lynchburg, VA (CH)
21 Finnley Ramirez, 2019, Philippines (FPC)
22 Kim Chafee, Virginia Beach, VA (CH)
22 Josh Reglin, Tahoka, TX (CH)
22 Becky Shoaf, Atlanta, GA (CH)
23 Donna Seay, Baltimore, MD (CH)
24 Chad Cooper, Holt, MO (CH)
24 Phineas Marr, New Orleans, LA (CH)
24 Laura Popa, Saginaw, MI (CH)
24 Juniper Ramirez, 2015, Philippines (FPC)
24 William Stewart, Norfolk, VA (CH)
25 Durrell Brown, Powder Springs, GA (CH)
25 Brianna Karpowich, Durham, NC (CH)
25 Angel Pittman, Emeritus (FP)
26 Randy Brookshire, Greenville, SC (CH)
26 Sunny Mitchell, New London, CT (CH)
26 Keith Parker, Brevard, NC (PC)
26 Beth Sexton, Lincolnton, NC (CH)
26 Lynwood Walters, Gainesville, FL (CH)
26 Jeffrey Walton, Richmond, VA (CH)
26 Gloria White, Pearland, TX (PC)
27 Cathy Anderson, Kennesaw, GA (CH)
27 Nicole Farrar, Norfolk, VA, (CH)
27 Peggy Johnson, Hurst, TX (CH)