

NEWSLETTER

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"No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier." (2 Timothy 2:4). As we come to the end of summer, countless decisions have been made for the cause of Christ at youth camps and other outreach events. Please pray for these individuals to endure hardness that will come and not be entangled with the mess in this world. Please pray for our missionaries who also fight to remain focused on the mission at hand. Our time is short, and this world needs Jesus!

In recent months, Missionary Ernie Brown began experiencing memory issues. Just recently, Bro. Ernie was diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease that progressed rapidly. On July 2, God called Bro. Ernie Brown home to be with Him. Bro. Ernie and Monoka Brown served as missionaries for over 50 years and were married for 56 years. Most recently, they ministered to the Hispanic community in Massillon, Ohio, while still being involved in the Ecuadorian Bible Institute from a distance. Mrs. Monoka Brown has now retired and is adjusting to life without Bro. Ernie by her side. Please pray for Monoka and her family in the days ahead.

Meisha Deane is preparing to return to Ukraine this month. Please pray for her safety as things are still volatile. Pray for the people as well. God continues to do a great work in the churches there.

Health updates:

Please continue to pray for retired missionary Dorothy McClure as she continues recovering from her stroke. She was admitted to the hospital last month due to sever sickness. She is back home but struggling to regain complete movement in her body. Please continue to pray for her as well as her daughter and son-in-law who are caring for her.

Veronica Eastwood had to undergo knee surgery last month and is recovering at home. Please pray for a complete recovery and provision for medical bills. Also pray for them as she has not been able to be involved in the summer camp because of recovery. Bro. Jeremy is looking forward to her being fully recovered and they appreciate all the prayers.

Retired missionary Barbara Wimm recently fell and broke her hip. She has also been dealing with progressive dementia which has made recovery especially difficult. She has not been able to have visitors or respond to messages lately. Mrs. Barbara is a prayer warrior who has always reached out to others and certainly needs our prayers at this time. Please pray for her daughters as well as they care for her.

Retired missionary Gayle Sparks had to undergo surgery on July 22 due to a rupture that was discovered during an upper GI procedure. Please pray for Miss Gayle to have a complete recovery and no other issues.

The following individuals in our missionary family need your prayers for ongoing health needs: Gary & Monnie Bacon, Dale Brown, Monoka Brown, Phil & Mary Gagnon, Ronda Hastings, Betty Hawkins, Norman & Jeanie Higgins, Mary Horton, Sandy Janky, Marjorie Malanowski, Terry & Gloria McClure, Dorothy McClure, Mark & Dana McCutchen, Linda Raley, Don Rowland, Gayle Sparks, Marty & Jessie Starling, and Barbara Wimm.

Thank you for your faithful prayers and support of these servants of the Lord. We are praying for you in your respective ministries.

Thanks for all you do!

Joey Bacon