

JANUARY 2021



										<p>1 Red Cross Blood Drive 2 Abundant donors to meet the need as Damascus Christian School hosts a Red Cross Blood Drive in the gym</p>			
<p>Tom & Sandy Basile 3 Safety for Tom & Sandy as they travel back to Puebla (1/4-1/5); wisdom planning out 2021 with their team & NCI; Stephen & Cici as they leave the U.S. & make their home in Puebla</p>		<p>DCS & Other DCC 4 Educators & Students Wisdom for teachers & other staff as they continue to execute distance learning; diligence & understanding for the students</p>		<p>AMEN 5 God's blessing on a new program with Do Good in which AMEN provides food boxes specifically stocked for homeless being moved into hotel/motel rooms</p>		<p>Jay & Erin Schipper 6 Ongoing wisdom in balancing work & parenting; creativity for Erin as she shares what God is doing around the world; God's continued direction re: work schedules</p>		<p>Karen/Wally DeSmet 7 An all-virtual international facilitator training for the Loving Well ministry to South America this month; relief for the numbness in Wally's right hand</p>		<p>Tim/Debbie Blycker 8 God's blessing on the small group trainings of OT LIVE Kids being held throughout Peru this month; God's enablement of Tim & Debbie as they minister to Casa de Gracia, their local church</p>		<p>MOMS 9 Wisdom for the leadership team in knowing how to encourage DCC's moms & keep them connected during these unprecedented times</p>	
<p>NOE 10 The outreach programs in which they are participating would be effective for building bridges to the poorest of their community</p>		<p>Mike & Pam Contreras 11 A full recovery for Mike as he recoups from sinus surgery that took place December 30; God's continued direction & provision as they begin another year with Youth Missions International</p>		<p>DCC Elders 12 Safety & health for them & their families as they minister to the body; wisdom in navigating the ever-changing COVID-19 restrictions</p>		<p>Persecuted Brothers 13 & Sisters in Christ Christians worldwide would step up to stand behind, support, and encourage their brothers & sisters in Christ who are experiencing severe persecution</p>		<p>Jim/ Dorothea Lander 14 Effective pain relief for Jim; healing & renewed strength for daughter Liz so that she is able to do the tasks asked of her; strength & grace for Dorothea in her supporting role</p>		<p>Kameel/Rachel Kilada 15 Wisdom for Pastor Andrew as he builds the seminary's very first website; continued encouragement & support of Egyptian pastors whose churches have been closed during the pandemic</p>		<p>Law Enforcement 16 Strength, grace, safety, & encouragement for law enforcement officers as they strive to faithfully do their jobs in difficult situations and peace for their wives & families</p>	
<p>DCC's Children's 17 & Youth Ministries Continued wisdom for Jonah Carpenter and Angela Karch as they oversee programs for DCC's youth/children</p>		<p>Wil & Liz Lampinen 18 A smooth visa application process; an eventual return to in-person learning; courage and opportunities to make connections in Puebla beyond their school</p>		<p>Bill & Sharon Wooten 19 Bill's witness to a (agnostic) neighbor, on hospice for cancer; God's working in the lives of other neighbors in their complex</p>		<p>Ptun 20 Many P-people will hear and consider the message of the Prince of Peace & find peace with God & personal peace in these days when so little peace exists in their lives & countries</p>		<p>Sampsons 21 The Lord will continue to work in the lives of the Sampson's adult children living in different parts of the world, in some cases bringing them back to Himself</p>		<p>DCC Health Needs 22 God's abundant peace and comfort for those walking through treatments for diseases or recovering from surgeries or procedures</p>		<p>Rockwood 23 Follow-up—by the Lord & the Spanish-speaking church—of December's Christmas bag distribution that many would be open to further conversation re: the Life of Jesus DVD included in the bags</p>	
<p>DCC's Families 24 Comfort for those grieving the loss of loved ones</p>		<p>Stephen Ministers 25 Awareness that Stephen Ministers are available to support people during challenging times</p>		<p>The Flynns 26 Wisdom in ministry as they begin another year at Dillingham Moravian Church still navigating COVID-19 restrictions</p>		<p>Mark & Claire Gibson 27 Fruit in the lives of their approximately 100 neighbors at Eagle Estates East resulting from the Christmas letters with Mark's personal testimony & the Life of Jesus DVDs that they shared</p>		<p>Mike Mai 28 Continued good health & wisdom in dealing with b'ball team members, especially during the COVID-19 lockdown</p>		<p>Joachim Family 29 God's direction concerning what 2021 holds for them in the areas of ministry & evangelism</p>		<p>Stelica/Angela Bularu 30 The Lord will work in the lives of the Bularu's children, living in different cities & countries, and keep them safe and well in their faith in Christ</p>	
<p>Our Nation 31 A return to biblical values & principles; open ears for leaders to accept counsel from godly individuals</p>													

“In the beginning, the Word was already there. The Word was with God, and the Word was God.... The Word became a human being. He made his home with us. We have seen his glory. It is the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father. And the Word was full of grace and truth”

(Jn. 1:1, 14).



The written word (the Bible) tells the story of the Living Word and is accomplishing amazing – and unexpected - things in our world today as seen in the story below.

Cattle, Bandits, and God's Spoken Word

“Recently we heard this report from some young ladies who are from a people group that live just north of where we were in Kenya. They've just received God's Word.

The cattle had been restless. To settle them, the Daasanach herders had discovered an unusual thing. As night fell, they turned on Proclaimers — audio devices that play translated Scripture. Remarkably, the animals were soothed to sleep as they listened to God’s Word.

But one night the devices did much more than that. Bandits from a nearby people group had plotted to attack the community. As they approached, they heard the sound of multiple Proclaimers playing the recordings in the pasture.

‘Many warriors have come to defend them!’ the bandits thought. So instead of assaulting the community, they fled in fear. Lulling cattle to sleep and scaring raiders away — a different kind of Scripture impact!”

(October 2020 Prayer Letter, ~ Jim & Dorothea Lander, Wycliffe Bible Translators)

(Please pray for the protection of translation teams worldwide and for God to continue to provide funds to His people so they can partner in Bible translation.)

