

EUROPE

October 2023 Prayer Letter

Dear Friends,

September and October have been very full months. At the end of October I will have travelled to West Tennessee, Kentucky, Michigan, Canada, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, South Carolina and back to Tennessee. I will have preached in four different Bible College chapel services, participated in one Bible College Mission emphasis week, preached in eleven different church mission conferences or mission emphasis Sundays. God has been very gracious to open doors of opportunity and His people have certainly demonstrated an interest in seeing the world reached with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

For our field, Europe, the situation remains much the same with regard to Ukraine and Russia as it has been for some time. There doesn't seem to be any resolution in view. Please continue to pray for those missionaries directly affected. The news is not all bleak; some of our missionaries are seeing souls saved among the Ukrainian refugees. Many of these being saved are people who might otherwise have not been reached with the Gospel. So, we rest in the knowledge that our God is Sovereign and Purposeful. When He shuts one door, He opens another. So many things we don't understand, but none of what is going on changes our calling or responsibility. The Great Commission transcends centuries and circumstances.

Israel is another field where we have a missionary family directly affected by war. Please remember to pray for the BIMI family serving there. Pray for their safety and for God to use them in a mighty way as they work through a local Independent Baptist Church to assist with the great needs of people. We are praying God uses their compassion and assistance to build bridges, which will result in the salvation of many Israelis.

CONNECT 2024 – Travel to ABERDEEN, SCOTLAND, with us!

I want to announce a unique opportunity for you to travel with us to Scotland. We will be taking a CONNECT trip to work with our veteran missionaries Rick and Sarah Demastus next summer, August 16-26! It is shaping up to be a wonderful, productive trip. We will be involved in helping the Demastus family in their church plant. If you are interested, the best place to begin is to go to the BIMI website and find out all the details, including cost. If, after reading about it, you still have more questions, just click the “more information” button. Here are the steps.

1. Go to “bimi.org”
2. Scan down and click on “Connect Trips”
3. Press “Read more”
4. Scan all the way down and click on “Connect Scotland” to read about the trip
5. Then scan down and click on “Apply Today”

As stated earlier, if you still have more questions click on “more information.” This trip will fill up quickly; as you will see, there is a limit on the number of participants. We would love to include you!

As always thank you for letting us serve with you in the great harvest field of Europe. These are exciting days to serve the Lord for sure. As the world gets darker, the light shines brighter!

Your friends and co-laborers,



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