

DECEMBER CONTINUED

ESTABLISHED FAITH COMMUNITIES WE SUPPORT THROUGH ONGOING RELATIONSHIPS (pp. 25-32)

14. F The words and actions of **Indigenous believers** to be a witness of God's heart to those in their community.
15. S Praise God that **Mat and Shannon** have now joined **Bill and Pauline** in Outback Australia.
16. S **Bangladeshi believers** to grow in their knowledge and love of God each day.
17. M Graduates of the Baptist Theological Seminary of **Hong Kong** to share the Gospel effectively within their region.
18. T Wisdom for **Jane** as she journeys with women in Hong Kong and encourages them through difficult times.
19. W Local believers in **Lebanon** to actively share their faith in culturally appropriate ways.
20. T Give thanks for those God has drawn to Himself in **Lebanon** and pray for many more to know Him.
21. F Church leaders in **Papua** to teach God's Word well.
22. S **Mark's** time in Papua to help build the local church through supporting the development of leaders.
23. S Believers who have recently been baptised in **Papua New Guinea** will continue to grow in their faith.
24. M Logistics of the printing and distribution of the **Kyaka Enga Bible** to be smooth so all can access copies.
25. T >> God's Spirit would open opportunities for cross-cultural workers to share the story of **Christmas**.
26. W Jit's men's shed in **Thailand** to increasingly become a safe space for faith exploration.
27. T **Jit and Jan's** faithful work with people with disabilities will prompt conversations about their motivation.
28. F Seekers in **Vietnam** will find answers in Jesus.
29. S God will be shaping and growing new candidate **Mark** for his future ministry in Vietnam.
30. S Encouragement and Bible training for the 16 groups of young people meeting in **Zambia and Zimbabwe**.
31. M Church leaders in **Zambia and Zimbabwe** will be trained well to teach and train others.

WORLD SNIPPETS

THAILAND

A few months ago Liz met the head monk of the local temple who asked her if she would teach him English. Although keen to develop this relationship and follow through with this community connection, teaching English in this context would require Liz to step out of her comfort zone.

As Liz drove to the temple for the first lesson, she nervously prayed, 'God, this has to be all you. Give me the words you want me to say. I feel a bit out of my depth here God, but I'll give it a go.' The first class consisted of the head monk, three novice monks, Liz and volunteer home school teachers from Australia. After short introductions and lots of laughs, Liz felt her nerves settle.

In removing the notebook from her bag, a small copy of the story of Jonah fell out. The monk noticed it and surprised Liz by saying, 'I have read this story once before. I have also read Adam and Eve.' As a teenager, this monk had spent some time at a Catholic church. Amazingly, the monk then held the Jonah book and said to Liz, 'We can read these too if you like.!'

Thank God for the way His hand is clearly over this situation and pray that His Spirit will grow a desire in the monk's hearts to know Him.

SOUTH EAST ASIA

One of the main projects of the team serving among the B.I and S.I people is the Education Foundation. This foundation offers vocational and language training to local people to improve their employment opportunities, as well as employing local people as teachers and staff members. Both branches are highly regarded in their communities and there is a growing demand for enrolment.

Over time, our team has developed good friendships with many local staff and have shared deeply with them. We celebrate that there is a small but growing group of staff who have chosen to follow Jesus.

Pray for many more to experience whole of life transformation through the Education Foundation as they connect with our team and meet local believers.



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PRAY DAILY

NOV-DEC 2018

Please join us in praying for our ministry and the people we serve.

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empowering communities to develop their own distinctive ways of following Jesus

NOVEMBER

1. T >> Fruitful conversations between Global Consultant **John** and the serving team among the Yawo. (1 - 15 Nov)

Leadership, Governance and Australian-Based Staff

2. F Wisdom for **National Directors** as they lead teams and the implementation of strategies.
3. S A godly and wise leader with a heart for mission to be appointed as the new **General Director**.
4. S God's guidance for the **Board** as they make decisions about ministry, governance and future direction.
5. M Efficiency and creativity for **National Office staff** as they support cross-cultural teams.
6. T **State Office teams** to be sensitive to the Spirit's prompting as they meet with local church leaders and journey with people through their discernment.
7. W Insight for **Global Consultants** as they work with teams to grow their ministry effectiveness.
8. T >> God's Spirit to move as people and churches join in prayer during **Just Prayer** and beyond. (9 - 11 Nov)

THE LEAST-REACHED PEOPLE GROUPS WE SERVE AMONG

Yawo of Mozambique and Malawi (p. 11)

9. F God to be drawing Yawo women and men to Himself.
10. S Mutual trust to grow between **the team** and the Yawo communities in which they live.
11. S God's Spirit to open opportunities for **Jonno and Heather** to have deep conversations with Yawo friends.
12. M Each **team member** to be sensitive to the Spirit's prompting as they seek opportunities to share Jesus.
13. T Yawo believers to be continually discovering what it means to follow Jesus in their context and community.

K people of the Silk Road Area (p. 13)

14. W **The team's** cultural understanding and communication skills to be growing each day, enabling them to share the Gospel in culturally appropriate ways.
15. T That **Eliza's** K friend who is spiritually searching will find hope and life in the Truth of God's Word.

16. F **David's** practical involvement with the community's agricultural industry will appropriately respond to the need and be an effective tool for building relationships.
17. S God will call and send more workers to join our small cross-cultural team serving among the K people.

H people of Central Asia (p. 15)

18. S Perseverance and patience for **Pete and Nomes** as they continue culture and language lessons.
19. M Thank God for opening the door in Central Asia for **Nomes** to use her professional child-care experience.
20. T The Spirit's guidance as **the team** investigates other avenues for ministry and community involvement.
21. W The team to grow as **Australian Baptists** open their hearts to the possibility of serving among the H people.

B people of South Asia (p. 17)

22. T B believers and seekers to be protected as they explore the truth of the Gospel.
23. F Provision of adequate funds enabling our partner NGO to continue current projects and respond to new needs.
24. S A qualified person to assist the team in completing the Bible website and App.
25. S More short and long-term workers with skills in teaching English, IT and horticulture to support the local staff of our partner NGO.

Ethnic Thai of Thailand (p. 19)

26. M God to place **the team** in the path of Ethnic Thai people who are open to hearing about Jesus.
27. T Ethnic Thai faith communities to be continually developing their own distinctive ways of following Jesus.
28. W **Luke and Belle's** period of Home Assignment in Australia to refresh them for another term of service.
29. T Friends and family of Ethnic Thai believers to be open to hearing about their faith in Jesus.
30. F **Glenn and Liz** to be sensitive to the Spirit's prompting as opportunities arise for faith conversations.

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1. S >> Team Leader **Walt's** time in the Silk Road Area and Central Asia to be fruitful. (1 - 15 Dec)

Khmer of Cambodia (p. 21)

2. S Khmer seekers to connect with the team.
3. M >> Great discussions and innovative ideas for those involved in **Mobilisation Committee**. (3 - 4 Dec)
4. T Peace for new team members **Craig, Kim, Tristan, Megan, Luke, Rachel** and their families as they settle into life in Cambodia and adjust to another culture.
5. W God's hand on **Luke** as he commences as the Team Leader of this large team with many new members.
6. T **Craig and Kim** to continue to develop their relationship with their culture and language nurturer.
7. F Many churches and individuals to faithfully partner with new candidates **Andy and Cathie**.

B.I, R.I and S.I of South East Asia (p. 23)

8. S New believers to be strengthened as they gather together and are discipled.
9. S Praise God for the recent baptisms of five believers.
10. M Global Xposure participants spending time with the team will grow in their understanding of God's heart.
11. T As they retire, thank God for **Dave and Edwina's** faithful service among the B.I people and the way He has used them as part of His plan in South East Asia.
12. W God to grow strong partnership teams for current candidates **Ally, Pat and Joy and Ando**.
13. T More faithful people with a heart for ministry in South East Asia to join **the team**.

