

OCTOBER CONTINUED

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

15. M Grace and love for **Indigenous believers** as they seek to authentically share their faith.
16. T Give thanks for the way God continues to grow and shape **Mat and Shannon** for ministry.
17. W **Bill and Pauline** to know God's strength and wisdom as they journey with outback faith communities.
18. T Neighbours, family and friends of **Bangladeshi believers** to be increasingly open to meaningful conversations.
19. F Students and church leaders in **Hong Kong** will grow in dependence on God.
20. S God to be at work through **Lindsay and Jane** in all they do.
21. S Church leaders in **North-East India** to teach God's Word with conviction and humility.
22. M Believers in **Lebanon** to partner with where God is already moving.
23. T Members at the church **Milard and Joyce** lead will actively share their faith in culturally accessible ways.
24. W Good fellowship and unity for believers in **Papua**.
25. T **Mark's** regular communication with Papuan church leaders will be mutually encouraging and bear fruit.
26. F >> **Roger's** time in India will encourage and strengthen local church leadership. (25 Oct - 19 Nov)
27. S Thank God for the faithful team of translators who are in the final stages of the Kyaka Enga Bible revision in **Papua New Guinea**.
28. S God's Spirit to move powerfully among Karen communities and nearby villages in **Thailand**.
29. M **Jit and Jan's** genuine care of people with disabilities will open doors for conversations about Jesus.
30. T Church leaders in **Zambia and Zimbabwe** will be trained well to teach and train others.
31. W God to sustain **Keith and Roger** as they work to equip leaders in Zambia and Zimbabwe.

WORLD SNIPPETS

TELL US A STORY - MOZAMBIQUE

Team member Bek regularly spends time in a nearby village where she is developing friendships. Each time she sits with a group Yawo women and they ask her, "Do you have a story for us?" It's a privilege for Bek to sit with them and over the past year, she has told various stories from the Bible. She is present and keen to share stories, however sometimes her Ciyawo has limited her or the meaning has been culturally lost. This isn't a large group of women, but Bek keeps visiting them and they keep asking her for more stories.

Recently a family member of one these women died and Bek was invited to attend the funeral. Sitting with a group of women afterwards, Bek's friend introduced her to the others, "This is Rebekah. She's part of our family. She comes to visit and tells stories." Bek, aware of her language and culture limitations, was incredibly humbled by this introduction. Pray that as she continues to be present and willing to be used by God here, He will work in the lives of these women.

COMMUNITIES TRANSFORMED - CENTRAL ASIA

A few years ago, the team in Central Asia was approached to partner in a sheep loan project to support farmers living under the poverty line. As foreigners are rarely allowed into these villages, the team felt privileged to be offered the opportunity and gratefully accepted.

We celebrate the success of this project! Previously, many farmers were unable to generate adequate income through farming and were forced to seek work in the city. Through the project, farmers are lent sheep in order to produce lambs which they can sell. For many, this new income source means they can remain with their families in the villages. One particular farmer, who only had a primary school education, received training and after being lent eight ewes, produced 21 lambs. The income generated was enough to pay for his daughter's university tuition. Through the project, this farmer and others are given the opportunity to upskill and improve their family's situation in a real and long-term way.

Thank God for the transformative impact this project has had on whole communities and pray that this will open more opportunities for the team to engage with people in their need and build meaningful and life-changing relationships.



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PRAY DAILY

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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

SEPTEMBER

THE LEAST-REACHED PEOPLE GROUPS WE SERVE AMONG

1. S >> Global Consultant **Roger's** time in Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe will strengthen faith communities. (18 Aug - 15 Sept)

Yawo of Mozambique and Malawi (p. 11)

2. S Yawo believers to grow in faith maturity as they explore God's stories together.
3. M As **the team's** friendships with the Yawo develop, there will be increasing opportunities for faith sharing.
4. T The small groups of Yawo believers and seekers will grow in size and understanding of God's heart.
5. W As **Tim and Mel** return to Malawi to begin their fourth term of ministry, thank God for their faithfulness.
6. T Praise God for the hearts for the Yawo that He is nurturing in new candidates **Adam and Natalie**.
7. F Encouragement and more partners for all candidates preparing to serve among the Yawo.

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

8. S **The team** to be attentive to where God is already at work among their K friends and partner with Him.
9. S Thank God for the opportunities **the team** has to develop friendships and share about Jesus with their language nurturers.
10. M Through the new disability inclusion project, **Petra** will connect with many families and develop meaningful friendships that lead to faith sharing.
11. T **The team's** language skills and cultural understanding will be ever increasing, enabling them to communicate at a heart level with their K friends.
12. W Potential new community initiatives among K people in agriculture and health will prompt interest from **Australian Baptists** with suitable skills and a heart for mission.
13. T >> The Spirit's wisdom and guidance for the **Board** as they meet next week. (17 Sept)



H people of Central Asia (p. 15)

14. F God to draw near to H seekers.
15. S **Kevin** to be sensitive to the Spirit's promptings as he connects with local people.
16. S **The team** to be building genuine relationships with H people seeking true hope.
17. M Continued strength and motivation for **Pete and Nomes** as they encounter the joys and challenges of culture and language learning.
18. T Whole of life transformation for H farmers who are now generating income through the sheep loan project.
19. W Clarity in discernment for those actively considering serving with the team among the H people.

B people of South Asia (p. 17)

20. T B seekers with fledgling faith in Jesus will have safe places to explore their faith.
21. F God's hand to be on our partner NGO's new sewing course training disadvantaged women and mothers.
22. S Solutions to be found for the technical problems impacting the online version of the B Bible.
23. S A small group of qualified people to form a team committed to the maintenance of the Bible website.
24. M B people's lives will be transformed spiritually and physically through our partner NGO's projects.

Ethnic Thai of Thailand (p. 19)

25. T Ethnic Thai people to be released from the oppression of ancestor worship and find freedom in Christ.
26. W >> Director **Mark's** time with the teams serving among the Yawo, Khmer and Ethnic Thai to be fruitful and Spirit led. (28 Sept - 22 Oct)
27. T New friendships will be formed and deepened as **the team** connect with people in their communities.
28. F Ethnic Thai leaders will be equipped to teach, lead and share Jesus among their own communities.
29. S **Glenn and Liz** to be sensitive to the Spirit's leading in all their interactions with Ethnic Thai friends.
30. S God's Spirit to be moving in **Australian Baptists**, stirring them to serve among the Ethnic Thai.

OCTOBER

1. M >> Great conversations and insight as Global Consultant **John** spends time with the team in South East Asia. (1 Oct - 10 Oct)
2. T >> Clarity for Director and Country Consultant **Mark** as he seeks to build up local church leadership in Papua. (1 Oct - 10 Oct)

Khmer of Cambodia (p. 21)

3. W Khmer seekers open to responding to the Good News will connect with **the team**.
4. T The tennis program will enable **the team** to build a community of trust and genuine care with Khmer coaches and players.
5. F God's hand to be on **the team** as they welcome new team members and experience the time of transition this brings.
6. S Praise God that **Tristan and Megan** have arrived in Cambodia to serve among the Khmer following years of discernment and preparation.
7. S **Catherine** to be sensitive to the Spirit's promptings as she intentionally builds relationships.

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

8. M The Spirit's protection over B.I, R.I and S.I seekers who are yet to believe.
9. T Local believers will deepen their understanding of the Good News and how to share it with others.
10. W Growth of the B.I branch of the Education Foundation means they need to move into a larger office. Pray they will find a suitable location.
11. T Thank God for the way God's Spirit is moving in **Daz and Bee's** language nurturer's heart.
12. F Wisdom for Team Leader **Dave**, as he discerns the strategic direction of the ministry and guides the team through a period of transition.
13. S Thank God for candidates **Ally, Pat and Joy's** obedience in following the call to serve among the S.I people.
14. S God to grow a love of B.I and S.I people in **Australian Baptist's** hearts.