

OUR MISSIONARY FAMILY

- ▶ **David and Conce Roof** will be staying through mid-June of 2012 so son Andrew can finish the school year in the USA. Their address is 126 S. College St., Myerstown, PA 17067. We do not have a phone number at this time.

- ▶ **Jeremy and Kristen Kunkel's** new address is 2808 Dublin Blvd, Apt 109, Colorado Springs, CO 80918.

- ▶ **Nick and Lisa Lakatos** also have a new address: OMS Mexico, Attn: Nick Lakatos, Apartado 59 Admon #1, Cd. Lopez Mateos, 52901 Atizapan de Zaragoza, Estado de Mexico/Mexico

- ▶ Praise! **Kurt and Nancy's** son Adam found out his deployment has been postponed, so he can finish his final year of college.

- ▶ **Got wheels?** The GMC office is looking for a good used van. We often need to pick up missionaries at the airport and/or transport people/items for conventions. If you have a van that is still in good shape and that you would be willing to donate to the GMC, please call us (800-866-7584) or email (ecglobal@eccenter.com). This would be considered a tax deductible gift.

- ▶ **Don't forget to sign up for our Fall Family Mission Rally!** The date is Saturday, October 15th, at our Salem EC Church in Lenhartsville. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m., and the program begins at 9:30 a.m. There will be programs for all ages – Mission Minded Kids, Youth and Adults. Speakers include David & Conce Roof, Rev. Joe Toy, Kitty Miller, and Juan Porto from El Retiro Children's Home in Mexico. Please pre-register (so we have a count for lunch) at ecglobal@eccenter.com or call 1-800-866-7584. See you there!



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HYPHEN

In many cemeteries only flat brass plaques mark the gravesites. These markers usually have the following information about of the person buried there: name, date of birth, and date of death. In between those two dates is a hyphen.

Just think, the entire content of a life, anything from a few years to almost a century, is covered by that small line. The first skinned knee, the first bicycle ride without the training wheels, first love, high school graduation, college, first job, marriage, birth of children, then grandchildren, birthday parties, anniversaries – all of it encapsulated within that horizontal mark. Only those personally acquainted with the deceased know all that happened between those two recorded dates.

For believers, there is another place where our names are recorded, along with all the events of our lives. In the Lamb's Book of Life, all who claim Christ as their Lord and Savior have their names listed. We also will have to give an accounting of how we spent our time on earth; was it used to share the Gospel and enhance the Body of Christ, or only for our own interests and desires? What will your hyphen say about you?

Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. Earth and sky fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to what he had done. – REVELATION 20:11-13

–Pat Strain

OCTOBER PRAYER CALENDAR INSIDE

EMPOWERING NATIONAL CHURCHES
• FACILITATING MISSIONS WORKERS • MINISTERING TO
THE MARGINALIZED • CREATING WORLD CHRISTIANS



SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

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				HERE AND THERE - Randy Sizemore	Sept 30 - Oct 3 - Visiting/speaking at Canyon Falls EC Church, KY	
						PRAYER NEEDS GMC Director Rev. Randy Sizemore - schedule
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		Oct 4-5 - GMC fall board meetings, Twin Pines Camp		Oct 6 - Off		
PRAYER NEEDS Worldwide communion - The Body of Christ celebrating together	Dave Dick - two week trip to India this month	GMC fall board meetings - Twin Pines	GMC board meetings - planning sessions	Rev. Elias Martinez - Field Director of EC Church of Mexico	Fern Sweigert - retiree in Canyon Falls, KY	Kurt & Nancy - serving in MI with Café 1040
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Oct 9 - Vera Cruz & Hosensack EC Churches - morning worship	- Chrisanne Amberman	- Mary Ellen Davis *	- Becky Moser * - Andrew Roof (1995)	October 13 - GMC Finance Committee - afternoon, GMC office	Oct 14 - Pastors' Luncheon - Salem EC Church, Lenhartsville	Oct 15 - Fall Family Missions Rally - Salem EC Church, Lenhartsville
PRAYER NEEDS Rev. Nobuo Abe, Field Director of the EC Church of Japan	Randy & Chris Amberman - support need, work with Navajo church	Joe Toy - open air ministries at college campuses, special events	Jamie & Anita Farr - serving at Wycliffe headquarters in Orlando, FL	Chris & Deb Bowers - serving in Papua New Guinea as pilot and teacher	GMC Pastors' Appreciation Lunch - Lenhartsville EC Church	GMC Fall Family Missions Rally - programs for all ages! Lenhartsville EC Church
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
- Brian Wagner - Maxine Waldman		- Rev. Jim Bound *	Oct 16-23 - Vacation			
PRAYER NEEDS Lamar & Janice Stoltzfus - teachers at Rift Valley Academy, Kenya	Nick & Lisa Lakatos - settling in new ministry in Mexico, adapting to new home	Pray for our international EC churches, for safety and growth	David Hershey - campus ministry, parenting daughter Junia	Rev. Lalrosiem Songate - General Director of EC Church of India	John & Carolyn Miller - continued translation of Bru Old Testament	Rev. Matthew Gueh, Field Superintendent of the EC Church of Liberia
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		Oct 25 - Short Term Missions Committee meeting - 9:30 a.m., Church Center		Oct 27 - National Ministry Team - all day	- Brandon Farr (2006)	- Rebekah Moury (2009)
PRAYER NEEDS Dan & Mary Lynne Wills - serving with The Seed Co. in NC	Rev. Th. Janga, Field Leader of the EC Church of Nepal	BJ & Rachel Whitaker - church planters in Alcora, Spain	Rev. William Arraya - Field Leader of EC Church of Costa Rica	Ron & Brenda Anderson - serving in Spain with ECMI	Dan Dixon - teaching & Jr Hi administrator at Rift Valley Academy, Kenya	Tomoyuki & Jessica Abe, church planters in Fuchinobe, Japan
30	31					
Oct 30 - Speak at Trinity EC Church, Lititz - a.m. service						
PRAYER NEEDS Remember persecuted believers around the world	Eunice Wanjema - retiree in Kenya					
				ANNIVERSARIES October 16 - Jim and Janet Stahl November 1 - Kurt and Nancy G. * INDICATES RETIREE (c) INDICATES CANDIDATE + INDICATES MISSIONS ASSOCIATE	NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS November 1(1993) - Justin Wills November 2 - Barbara Erb * November 3 - Rev. Joe Toy, Jr. November 8 - Jane Heck INDICATES RETIREE (c) INDICATES CANDIDATE + INDICATES MISSIONS ASSOCIATE	