



# ***Take the Challenge!***

*32 Days of Small Steps to Help the Spread of the Gospel*



# 32 Steps to

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
<p>21</p> <p><b>Read about Missions</b> Read Mark 16 and ask God to help YOU share the gospel.</p>	<p>22</p> <p><b>Pray for a Missionary</b> using the "Pray for His Spiritual Condition" section of "How to Pray for Missionaries"</p>	<p>23</p> <p><b>Be a Missionary</b> Hand out a gospel tract at the store or share your faith with someone.</p>	<p>24</p> <p><b>Encourage Excitement for Missions</b> Invite someone to hear our Skype missionary Sunday night.</p>
<p>28</p> <p><b>Read about Missions</b> Read the Grace Giving brochure to understand how Eastside supports missions.</p>	<p>29</p> <p><b>Pray for a Missionary</b> using the "Pray for His Social Condition" section of "How to Pray for Missionaries"</p>	<p>30</p> <p><b>Be a Missionary</b> Hand out a gospel tract at the store or share your faith with someone.</p>	<p>31</p> <p><b>Memorize God's Command</b> Memorize Mark 16:15</p>
<p>4</p> <p><b>Read about Missions</b> Read 2 Corinthians 4 and ask God to help YOU and our missionaries give the gospel</p>	<p>5</p> <p><b>Pray for a Missionary</b> using the "Pray for His Physical and Emotional Condition" sections of "How to Pray for Missionaries"</p>	<p>6</p> <p><b>Be a Missionary</b> Hand out a gospel tract at the store or share your faith with someone.</p>	<p>7</p> <p><b>Encourage Excitement for Missions</b> Invite a friend to our Missions Conference to see what is going on in worldwide missions.</p>
<p>11</p> <p><b>Read about Missions</b> Read a Missionary letter on the Missions Wall and pray for their needs.</p>	<p>12</p> <p><b>Pray for a Missionary</b> using the "Pray for His Ministry" section of "How to Pray for Missionaries"</p>	<p>13</p> <p><b>Be a Missionary</b> Hand out a gospel tract at the store or share your faith with someone.</p>	<p>14</p> <p><b>Encourage Excitement for Missions</b> Tell a co-worker or a friend that you will be going to a missions conference.</p>
<p>18</p> <p><b>Give to Missions</b> Turn in your FPM commitment card in the offering</p>	<p>19</p> <p><b>Continue ....</b></p>		

# Missions

Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>18 <b>Read Take the Challenge: 32 Days of Small Steps to Help the Spread of the Gospel</b></p>	<p>19 <b>1 minute of Prayer</b> Ask God to enable Eastside to advance worldwide missions; thank God that someone told you!</p>	<p>20 <b>E-mail a Missionary</b> Send a quick note to encourage one of our missionaries. (or drop a note in the foyer to a conference missionary)</p>
<p>25 <b>1 minute of Prayer</b> Ask God to send His Gospel throughout the World</p>	<p>26 <b>Give to a Missionary</b> Buy a \$5 gift card from Walmart and drop it in the foyer box for a conference missionary.</p>	<p>27 <b>E-mail a Missionary</b> Send a quick note to encourage one of our missionaries. (or drop a note in the foyer to a conference missionary)</p>
<p>1 <b>1 minute of Prayer</b> Ask God how He would have you financially support missions in 2011-2012</p>	<p>2 <b>Give to a Missionary</b> Buy a \$5 gas card from MurphyUSA and drop it in the foyer box for a conference missionary.</p>	<p>3 <b>E-mail a Missionary</b> Send a quick note to encourage one of our missionaries. (or drop a note in the foyer to a conference missionary)</p>
<p>8 <b>1 minute of Prayer</b> Ask God to use the 2011 missions conference to stir hearts for missions.</p>	<p>9 <b>Give to a Missionary</b> Buy a \$5 gift card from Subway and drop it in the foyer box for a conference missionary.</p>	<p>10 <b>Pray for the Conference</b> Pray for the speaker and visiting missionaries scheduled to be with us for our conference (listed in this pamphlet).</p>
<p>15 <b>Learn about Missions</b> Turn in a question for the Sunday night Q&amp;A</p>	<p>16 <b>Prepare for the Picnic</b> Purchase hotdogs, hamburgers, buns, drinks, and/or dessert for the Saturday Picnic.</p>	<p>17 <b>E-mail a Missionary</b> Send a quick note to encourage one of our missionaries. (or drop a note in the foyer to a conference missionary)</p>

On the previous page, you found a calendar with an action listed for each day between August 18 and September 18, our Faith Promise Missions Sunday and the climax of our missions conference week. Each action is designed to be small enough to accomplish easily. The point is to try to “seek His kingdom” every day. As you do something small for missions daily, your burden for it will grow. (You may find yourself wanting to do bigger things than what are listed here).

***Here are the categories along with an explanation of each:***  
**1 Minute of Prayer**

You can spend more time, but spend at least 1 minute praying for the request on the calendar.

**Give to a Missionary**

Do what you can. Some may be able to do more. Some may do less. But take the time to get the listed gifts for the missionaries. As we each do something small, it will add up and be a great help to our missionaries at the conference.

*Drop the gift card in the foyer box.*

**E-mail a Missionary**

Choose one missionary from the e-mail list in this brochure. Take a moment to tell the missionary you are praying for him and that you are grateful for his sacrifice for the Lord. (Please do not abuse the use of these e-mail addresses with spam or unnecessary forwards.) If you prefer an alternative to e-mail, you may drop a note to one of our conference missionaries in the box in the foyer.

**Read about Missions**

Scripture references about missions are provided on the calendar. Two Sundays, you will read from the Bible. Two Sundays you will read the Grace Giving brochure and a letter on the missions wall.

**Pray for a Missionary**

Use the “How to Pray for Missionaries” section of this booklet to help you pray for a missionary on our list. Pray for our

missionaries in general, then pick a **specific missionary** and spend time praying for him (her) and his (her) family.

### **Be a Missionary**

Go here in East Tennessee! Take a gospel tract with you, and take the opportunity God gives you to hand out that tract. (If God gives you another opportunity than just one, take it)

### **Encourage Excitement for Missions**

Enthusiasm is contagious! Share with other people that you are excited about missions!

### **Memorize God's Command**

Memorize Mark 16:15: *And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.*

### **Learn About Missions**

Prepare a question to turn in during the missions conference. On Sunday night, we will have a question and answer time and ask the missionaries the questions that are turned in.

### **Pray for the Conference**

Pray for the keynote speaker and visiting missionaries who are scheduled to be with us for our conference.

- J. B. Godfrey – Far East Director – BIMl - Keynote Speaker
- Mike & Teresa Denison - Mexico
- Jimmy & Tracy McGaha - Nepal
- Brian & Laura Norris – Charlotte, NC
- Lacy & Holly Wheeler - Mexico

## How to Pray for Missionaries

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The best prayer partners are those who pray for 'real' not 'imagined,' needs. How can we know these needs? If we look into our own hearts and see our own needs, we will see many of the needs of the missionary. The missionary is not a super-spiritual giant who has ascended from the valley to the mountaintop nevermore to roam. He depends on the same God you and I do for his daily needs: spiritually, socially, physically, emotionally. One big difference is that the missionary stands in the hottest part of the battle, and we must stand with him so that he will not be defeated by the forces of darkness.

### Pray for His Spiritual Condition

1. Do you need wisdom in making decisions? So does he. Pray that he will understand God's will and be obedient. *Ephesians 5:17*
2. Do you meet disappointments and get discouraged? Pray for the Lord to encourage his heart. *Psalms 27:14*
3. Do you ever have disagreements with other believers? Pray for unity and fellowship with co-workers and other Christians. *1 John 1:7*
4. Do you ever meet with difficulties that overwhelm you? Pray for your missionary to have the wisdom and grace needed in meeting different and often difficult situations. *Jeremiah 32:27*
5. Are you tempted to sin? Pray for victory over temptation and faithfulness in all areas of his walk. *1 Corinthians 15:57-58*

***“Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you: And that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men: for all men have not faith.”***

***II Thessalonians 3:1-2***

## **Pray for His Social Condition**

1. Do you find it difficult to communicate the Gospel to the lost? How much more so in a foreign language or culture! Pray that he will be able to grasp the language and culture of the people to whom he ministers.  
*Philippians 4:13*
2. Pray that he will have a good relationship with authorities and other people in the country/ area in which he lives.  
*Romans 12:17b-18*
3. Do you find it hard to adjust to changes in your life? Pray for his family's adjustment to a new way of life – new home, new living conditions, new friends, etc.  
*Matthew 28:20b*
4. Pray for him to have a spirit of hospitality.  
*Romans 12:13*
5. Pray for balance in how to spend his time – with the Lord, his family, the people, etc. *Deuteronomy 6:4-6; Galatians 6:10*

## **Pray for His Physical Condition**

1. Do you have health concerns? Pray for health and proper rest for your missionaries. *III John 2*
2. What about material needs? Pray for consistent support and for God to meet all his needs. *Philippians 4:19*
3. Have you ever been in danger on the highway or from enemies without? Pray for his safety and protection.  
*Psalms 91*

## **Pray for His Emotional Needs**

1. Have you ever been away from home and felt lonely? Pray for the missionary to be at home wherever his place of service may be. *Philippians 4:11*
2. Are you ever afraid? Missionaries are too. Pray that they will trust God and not be afraid. *Isaiah 44:8*

***“For we are labourers together with God...”***  
***I Corinthians 3:9a***

## **Pray for His Ministry**

1. Are you sometimes tempted to think that God has not answered prayer because things did not turn out the way you expected? Pray that he will leave all results with the Lord. *Isaiah 55:8-11*
2. Do you need boldness to witness? So does he. Pray for boldness to preach the word. *Acts 4:29*
3. Do you ever get weary and need renewed strength for serving the Lord? Pray for your missionary to find renewed strength daily in the word of God. *Isaiah 40:31*
4. Pray for prepared hearts, both that of the missionary and those of the people to whom he is ministering.  
*Ezra 7:10*
5. Pray for sincere love and compassion for lost souls.  
*Mark 6:34*

Your prayers will produce a fruitful ministry for the missionary and growth in your own life, and you will share in his rejoicing and in the rewards of his labour. Remember, your needs are real needs... so are his.

***Please pray for the missionaries serving the Lord around the globe.***



## **MISSIONARIES' E-MAIL ADDRESSES**

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