

# Free Methodist World Missions *Hotline*

Tuesday, November 29, 2016

[Visit](#) Free Methodist World Missions' website.

## ASIA

**Nepal:** With more than 180 churches interested in working with the FMC in Nepal, much careful groundwork must be done with each pastor and congregation. Pray for FM country leader Abraham Lama as he works with Area Director Eric Spangler to prepare and process churches and pastors seeking affiliation. Pray the connection will multiply efforts to reach people for Jesus. Pray as district leaders are selected and empowered to lead. Pray for the necessary resources to support the work in a country still recovering from the devastating earthquake of April 2015 and an economy where pastors make very little income to care for families.

## EUROPE

**Portugal:** The FM church in Sintra is a small group since many families have left the country over the last six years to find work. Pray the remaining families who meet weekly in a worship service and home cell group will sense God's presence in a special way this holiday season.

## LATIN AMERICA

**Brazil:** Your prayers were answered for the success of the Women's Retreat. Women attended - churched and unchurched, young and old - each hungry for God.

**Mexico:** Join in prayer for the Missions Retreat this week, Fri., Dec. 2, to Sat., Dec. 3. The focus is reaching and involving children in missions.

**Costa Rica:** The nation of Costa Rica was hit last Thurs., Nov. 24, by a category two storm, Otto, bringing as much as a month's worth of rain in a few hours. Several towns were covered by water and mud; bridges collapsed. More than 5,000 residents were evacuated. Dennis Leon reports the Pura Vida (Pure Life) Church is showing the love of Christ in practical and tangible ways to the many people in need. As far as we know, no FMs were injured or directly impacted by the storm. Costa Rica has not been directly hit by a hurricane since recording began in 1851.

## MIDDLE EAST/NORTH AFRICA

### IMPACT MIDDLE EAST

Praise God for recent revival services in one local church. Pastor D. reports, "It was a great blessing for many of the people attending as many came forward and were healed." The church's ministry is going well, and many are in leadership training to assist with Christian education. Pray for God's continued hand over Pastor D.'s congregation.

## MISSIONS FAMILY

**Appreciation for Service:** After serving in Africa for a total of 18 years, Phyllis Sortor retires Wed., Nov. 30, 2016. "As Phyllis retires," writes Africa Area Director Mike Reynen, "two aspects of her work stand out to me: development of the ICCM schools and rotational grazing. Both have great potential for doing good for Nigeria. FMWM thanks her for her service and particularly for advocating for mission work among Fulani." In addition to her work with ICCM, Phyllis has also served in leadership development, both in Nigeria and Rwanda (1996 to 2001). While her service under FMWM has ended, God has opened a new door of ministry through the Nigerian government. Phyllis was asked to be a consultant and teacher of managed, rotational grazing for Fulani herdsman. She is also working with the Director of Nomadic Education to set up grazing reserve schools for Fulani children.

## INTERNATIONAL CHILD CARE MINISTRIES

Praise the Lord for the men and women who manage and work in ICCM hostels and schools. Pray these individuals who impact many children would experience new joy in the work they do as they care for children.

[Learn more about ICCM](#)

## SEED LIVELIHOOD

It's Giving Tuesday! Today is a great opportunity for people to engage in supporting the causes - like missions, justice and economic development - that matter to them and to God. Pray specifically that many would be inspired and challenged to give to support new SEED Capital initiatives in [Uruguay](#) and [India](#) and for [capacity building for SEED](#).

[Learn more about SEED](#)

## VISA MINISTRIES

Pray for those ministering on VISA assignments this week.

[Learn more about VISA](#)

## CURRENT NEWSLETTERS

Click below to view recent newsletters from the following missionaries or ministry teams:

[Brewer \(SEED\) November 2016](#)

[Brewer \(SEED\) November 28, 2016](#)

[Brewer \(SEED\) November 29, 2016](#)

[Gómez \(Colombia\) November 2016](#)

[Land \(Asia\) November 28, 2016](#)

[Mellinger \(Bulgaria\) November 23, 2016](#)

[Mellinger \(Bulgaria\) November 29, 2016](#)

[Nüesch-Olver \(Latin America\) November 2016](#)

[Owsley \(Brazil\) November 29, 2016](#)

[Williams \(Asia\) November 25, 2016](#)