



*One Lord. One Life. One Calling.*

## Contending In Prayer

July 2023

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**Sat., July 1**      **Mark Kroes, Executive Director**

Give thanks with us for Kyle Martin, the new Men For Missions Canada National Director, who officially begins in this role July 1, 2023. He is fully funded and ready to work. If you are interested in short term mission trips or just want to know more about MFM and what it's all about, shoot Kyle an email at [kmartin@omscanada.org](mailto:kmartin@omscanada.org).

**Sun., July 2**      **Bill & Julie Edler, Ireland**

Pray that Dr. Rodney's trip to Canada and Montana would be beneficial for the ministry of Bethesda Medical Center.

**Mon., July 3**      **Colleen Taylor, Retired**

July 3 - 7 I will be helping our church with VBS. As the kids grow in their relationship with Jesus, pray that the family grows stronger and focused on Jesus.

**Tue., July 4**      **Wayne & Sherry Schock, Retired**

We praise God that we are finally getting settled in our new house and community and are beginning to build relationships in a new church and among new neighbors. Pray that these relationships will give Him glory.

**Wed., July 5**      **Mark & Livia Nelson, Estonia**

Pray for our hospitality and refreshment ministry in July that God will open hearts for meaningful conversations to provide the encouragement that is needed.

**Thu., July 6**      **Stan Dyer, Retired**

Please pray for the students of Tokyo Biblical Seminary as they have been assigned to summer ministry in churches. Pray that lives will be changed by God's grace this summer.

**Fri., July 7**      **Maud McHardy, Retired**

Pray for Maud's interaction with family and others with whom she comes into contact to be a strong testimony for the Lord and His faithfulness.

**Sat., July 8**      **Nathan Krampitz, Retired**

I praise the Lord that I am continuing to enjoy reasonably good health and opportunities in a limited way to serve the Lord. Pray that I will be a witness for my Lord to my personal support workers and nurses who I see daily for a brief period.

**Sun., July 9**      **Susie Heinrichs, Special Assignment**

Please pray that the Lord would lead the necessary teachers to Cap Haitian Christian School for the upcoming school year.

**Mon., July 10**      **C., Professional Overseas**

Please remember my language tutor as she has been growing in her new faith. Ask that the Father would bring more local people to the same faith that we would have a new group of believers living in faith-based fellowship with one another in her town.

**Tue., July 11**      **R., Retired**

Please pray for my family members who are struggling with my mom's recent 'homecoming'; that the Holy Spirit would draw them to a new/closer relationship with our Savior.

**Wed., July 12**      **Bill & Sunnie Gulliver in transition**

Please pray that the contract for our house can close by the 14th. We are starting a new season of life in Clarksville, TN after serving at Morrison Academy for 22 years in Taiwan.

**Thu., July 13**      **Carmen Messam, Donations & Recepting**

Please pray for the OMS Canada staff as we work through various daily tasks in our different roles. Pray that God would give us wisdom and grace to serve Him well.

**Fri., July 14**      **Helmut & Tina Markeli,**

**Extended Missionary Service** We are at a family wedding in New Westminster, BC, this weekend. Pray for God's blessing on this grand-nephew and his bride and that we will be able to point family members to Jesus. Ask also that we will be a blessing to long-time friends in BC.

**Sat., July 15 Gord & Doreen Wallace, Retired**  
Our GOD knows the needs of the people of Haiti. HE will give HIS people strength to cope each new day. Hold up those who serve our LORD - may they keep trusting and walking with HIM.

**Sun., July 16 Lisa DeGraaf, Special Assignment**  
Pray for the country of Haiti and the social unrest it's experiencing. Pray for physical protection, daily needs to be met and spiritual encouragement. Pray for hearts to be changed with gang members.

**Mon., July 17 P., Professional Overseas**  
We are travelling to see supporters and family in late July and August, but as yet do not have a place to stay during that time. Pray for the Lord to provide a suitable "home base" during that time.

**Tue., July 18 Bob & Norma Jean Erny, Retired**  
We give praise for the joy of serving the Lord for 90 years with so many dedicated colleagues.

**Wed., July 19 Pavlo & Halya Lozynsky, Ukraine**  
One of our faithful church leaders who also has been a major worker in the relief ministry is joining his family whom he has not seen for a year, since they left for another part of Europe. Pray that the Lord will raise up others to help in the ministry. Pray that more refugees would become involved in the church on a regular basis.

**Thu., July 20 New Workers**  
Let's continue to pray to the Lord of the harvest for more workers to enter into the fields that are ready for harvest.

**Fri., July 21 Flo Epp, Retired**  
Cousins on my dad's side of the family will be having an Eppisode reunion in Rosthern, SK the weekend of July 21. Pray for safety as we travel-- most live in Rosthern, but some of us will travel from BC, AB and one from the UK. Trusting the Lord to make it a joyous time of reconnecting with each one.

**Sat., July 22 Mark Kroes, Executive Director**  
Please continue to pray for the people with whom we connected in Vancouver, Edmonton, and Winnipeg earlier this year. Pray that the Lord of the harvest will continue to work in their hearts so that they would hear the call to carry the gospel to the nations.

**Sun., July 23 Charlotte Kroes, Men for Missions**  
Praise God we are again working on recruiting and preparing teams for travel. Please pray that God would guide those planning on going. May He provide them with finances, and prayer partners who will pray for them now and while they are on the field.

**Mon., July 24 Larry & Susan Weil, Indiana**  
Pray for Christian Academy in Mozambique as they prepare for the new school year to start. Pray for the new staff and students to adapt well. Pray for Duane Pass, the director, to have God's wisdom as he makes decisions for the school.

**Tue., July 25 New Board Members**  
Ask the Lord for new board members to provide leadership and direction to the ministry of OMS Canada.

**Wed., July 26 "Brother Jim", Ireland**  
Pray for Mandarin speakers to join our Chinese outreach team in Belfast, and ask for the salvation of non Christian Asian students heading home.

**Thu., July 27 Mary Lou Wunker, Retired**  
Pray for all that make commitments to the Lord at summer camps and programs to be connected to local churches that will keep in touch and disciple them in their faith.

**Fri., July 28 Rod & Jan Dormer, Theological Ed.**  
Pray for Jan as she teaches her last class at Messiah University. That employment ends July 31<sup>st</sup>. On Aug. 1 she begins full time at Taylor University. Pray for a smooth transition.

**Sat., July 29 Kyle Martin, Men for Missions**  
Please pray for speaking opportunities to be able to go and share what God has and is doing through MFM/OMS.

**Sun., July 30 Heidi Purvis, Finance**  
I pray that OMS Canada will receive more labourers to help spread the Good News of Jesus Christ to all of our nations. I also pray that OMS Missionaries will feel God leading them and supply them with peace, joy, and love.

**Mon., July 31 Rebecca Cooper, Office Admin.**  
Pray that unsaved international students, loved ones and friends would come to know the Lord, that their eyes would be open to the truth of God's love and redemptive power.



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**Tue., Aug.1 Wayne & Sherry Schock, Retired** We praise God that Wayne's hip is recovering well from hip replacement surgery in February and we look forward to the first week of August at our family beach week (last year Wayne was hardly able to leave the cabin because of the pain in his hip).

**Wed., Aug.2 Lisa DeGraaf, Special Assignment** Pray for the 4VEH international board meetings taking place in August. Pray for wisdom and direction as we move forward.

**Thu., Aug.3 P., Professional Overseas** Pray for the Asia regional leadership training currently happening in Taiwan for our national church partners. Pray that the Lord would help them be well equipped for leading in these challenging time.

**Fri., Aug.4 Flo Epp, Retired**  
Pray for children and young people who will be attending Charis Camp near Chilliwack, BC. Volunteers are needed to serve as counselors, and some for kitchen workers. May God's Spirit work in the hearts of the campers to bring them into a closer relationship with Jesus.

**Sat., Aug.5 Mark Kroes, Executive Director**  
Please pray for our national partners who may face some upheaval in ministry as missionaries take some vacation time. Pray that indigenous leaders would become evident in order that they may be trained and equipped to provide the leadership in these ministries.

**Sun., Aug.6 Mark & Livia Nelson, Estonia**  
August is the season for Seminary applications. Pray specifically for a large number of Estonian applicants who are called by God to prepare to serve in His Kingdom.

**Mon., Aug.7 Charlotte Kroes, Men for Missions**  
We have a team preparing to travel later this fall. Please pray for the MFM office as they finalize plans for these team members and for the Lord to work mightily in and through these men as they experience the opportunity to serve on a short term missions trip. Pray also that if God is calling any of these men to long term service as missionaries that He would speak clearly to them and they would respond with obedience and Go.

**Tue., Aug.8 Clara Heebner, Retired**  
Pray that Clara would experience peace and contentment each day.

**Wed., Aug.9 OMS Canada Supporters**  
We praise the Lord for each one that prays and gives as part of the OMS Canada team. Pray that more would become involved in what the Lord is doing through the OMS ministries around the world to grow His church.

**Thu., Aug.10 Nathan Krampitz, Retired**  
The seminaries and Bible schools in India are starting a new school year. Pray for God's protection for them and pray that the students will be diligent in their studies.

**Fri., Aug.11 Heidi Purvis, Finance**  
Special prayers to Ukraine and Haiti as they are going through some turmoil, where I pray that God will take care of His people there, turning their hearts towards Him where they will feel a sense of love towards all people.

**Sat., Aug.12 Colleen Taylor, Retired**  
Pray for Pastor Janiel as he daily trains evangelism teams plus is responsible for pastoring and leading the Bwa Neuf church.

**Sun., Aug.13 "Brother Jim", Ireland**  
Pray for Asians to see that salvation is God's best gift, even if believing provokes opposition at home. Ask for a fruitful visit to Taiwan during August and early September.

**Mon., Aug.14 R., Retired**  
As with many of our youth today, our son is in a spiritual battle; the outcome will determine his very future. Please pray for him and the many that are experiencing these challenges.

**Tue. Aug.15 Bill & Sunnie Gulliver in transition**  
Both Sunnie and Bill start new jobs at public schools. Please pray for strength and wisdom.

**Wed., Aug.16 Mark Kroes, Executive Director** Please thank God with me for the wonderful team that OMS Canada has in Canada. Each member is uniquely gifted for the role she fills. And this team keeps our missionaries on the field without having to concern themselves with the nuts and bolts of being a faith-based missionary from Canada.

**Thu., Aug.17 Helmut & Tina Markeli, Extended Missionary Service** The country where we served, the South Pacific field, celebrates 74 years of independence today. Presidential elections will be held in February and preparations are well underway. Pray that God will give them the president of His choice. Ask that believers will be given holy boldness and wisdom to conduct themselves in ways that honour God in the midst of the political situation.

**Fri., Aug.18 Bill & Julie Edler, Ireland**  
Pray for the new Director of OMS UK, Melvin Kelly, that God would use him for His glory in this new role.

**Sat., Aug.19 125 by 125**  
OMS Global is asking the Lord for 125 new missionaries by the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary (2026). Will you help us spread the need and pray for those who the Lord might be calling?

**Sun., Aug.20 Rebecca Cooper, Office Admin.**  
Pray that God will give us a heart for His ways, and discernment to see His direction.

**Mon., Aug.21 Pavlo & Halya Lozynsky, Ukraine**  
Please pray for God's continuous protection on us and Ukraine in general, for strength, courage and skillfulness for our soldiers and for angels to protect them. Please pray specifically for the two soldiers from our fellowship - Alex and Serhiy.

**Tue., Aug.22 C., Professional Overseas**  
Please remember the outreach that we are facilitating and helping out at in the NongKhai province. Ask that people would respond to the Good News as well as that the local believers would have a heart to start new groups of multipliers.

**Wed., Aug.23 Gord & Doreen Wallace, Retired**  
Pray for the Bethesda Clinic and the staff there. May the LORD give them strength each day to continue to help the people in their area. Pray that supplies will get to the clinic and that staff and patients will keep their eyes on the LORD.

**Thu., Aug.24 Carmen Messam, Donations & Receipting**  
Please pray for all of our faithful donors. Pray that God would continue to provide for them and that they would continue to give generously.

**Fri., Aug.25 Susie Heinrichs, Special Assignment**  
Praise the Lord for "He goes with us to fight for us against our enemies to give us victory." Deut. 20:4

*"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us." 1 John 5:14*

**Sat., Aug.26 Larry & Susan Weil, Indiana**  
Pray for Larry as he moves to working part-time in the Finance Department. Pray that he will continue to be a support to the team at HQ. Pray for Susan as she helps organize the Dynamic Women in Missions short term teams as they travel to Latin America and Africa.

**Sun., Aug.27 Mary Lou Wunker, Retired**  
Pray for MKs (missionary kids) who are beginning a new season of life away from family, that the Lord would provide friends and mentors to encourage and support.

**Mon., Aug. 28 Bob & Norma Jean Erny, Retired**  
Pray for our children to put God first in all that they do.

**Tue., Aug. 29 Kyle Martin, Men for Missions**  
Pray for the ministry growth of MFM/OMS within Canada.

**Wed., Aug.30 Rod & Jan Dormer, Theological Ed.**  
Pray for wisdom in planning for our future traveling schedule. Some seminaries are coming out of Covid mentality and moving back from online to in person classes. For Africa I think that is more effective. I will probably start traveling back to Nigeria this Fall.

**Thu., Aug.31 Stan Dyer, Retired**  
My brother, David, passed away in June. Pray for Charlotte, that the Lord will comfort and guide her. Charlotte (Heyer) was office administrator for OMS Canada during the 80's and early 90's, before marrying David and becoming a pastor's wife.