

## TOGETHER IN PRAYER August 2022



## Dear friend,

There are several big events happening this fall. We are starting now to prepare the way with prayer and planning and seeking the Lord's guidance. Join us as we anticipate God's work bringing forth fruit. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has enough to finish it. Luke 14:28. Pray with us as we prepare to build.

Thank you for continuing **Together in Prayer** 

The GRN USA Team



- 1 International Leadership Team: Graydon, the International Director, and the members of this team will travel to Tucson, Arizona, in October for their annual meetings. Pray for Joseph N, Surendra, Sam B, Christine, Larry D, Philippe, and others who need to prepare reports and presentations, make travel arrangements, and acquire visas.
- **2 The USA Board:** The board members will be meeting this month and again in October. Pray for unity of the Spirit, vision, and passion as they consider the many areas needing their oversight. *In the multitude of counselors there is safety.* Prov. 11:14
- **3 Arizona Open House:** We are working on plans for a GRN Open House to take place at the Catalina campus on Oct 15, 2022. Pray for wise planning and for God's provision. Save the date and plan to join us if you are in the area. (Ask for flyers for your church.)
- **4 Recordist Training:** A vital training course will be held in Thailand in October. Pray now for the trainees who are taking advance on-line courses to prepare for the in-person training this autumn. Pray against the forces of evil which would seek to disrupt, discourage, and deter.
- **5 Two trips in October:** Pray for Mike H, as he plans two short term outreaches to Mexico in October. He welcomes you to come with him. Pray for the Lord's choice of team members to sign up for these trips.
- **6 Thai leadership change:** Pray for Lot in Thailand who took over leadership of the GRN Center from Jon on July 1. Lot asks prayer for vision, wisdom and daily strength for carrying out his new role.
- **7 Spiritual qualities of GRN workers:** God wants the characteristics of His Son to be displayed in GRN staff His love, joy, purity, holiness, patience, and so much more. Pray that Christ's life will be seen in us more and more as we die to self each day.

- **8 Nume language of Vanuatu:** This is one of many languages spoken on the Pacific island of Gaua in the Republic of Vanuatu. Pray for God to call one or more recording teams to take the challenge of getting to this and other islands to both record and distribute evangelism materials.
- **9 Serving humbly:** Pray that GRN leaders at every level (board, director, teams) will be servant leaders who faithfully seek God's heart for the work and the wellbeing of the staff. Pray that we who are staff members will be submissive to, and supportive of, those over us in the Lord. May all of us serve humbly.
- **10 Ministry to Mexico:** Pray for Mike, the GRN USA short term outreach coordinator to Mexico. He requests that we pray for safety as often he is driving the Mexico recordists around Mexican states to the contacts who will speak on new recordings. Pray too that people will receive the spoken Word and that many will become followers of Christ.
- **11 Who and where:** GRN recording teams need to know which languages are still unrecorded and where they are located. Pray the Language Research team will recruit new staff who will assist GRN field teams in gathering essential and strategic language info.
- **12 China challenge:** There are hundreds of languages and speech varieties in China still without GRN recordings or any other evangelism resource. GRN has no recording team assigned to China at this time. Pray for numerous recording teams to be called by God to work in this field. Pray for intercessors to help prepare the way.
- 13 Heart of the Good Shepherd: Pray the heart of GRN will be in line with the heart of the Good Shepherd who goes after the one lost sheep (and one lost language group.) Pray that our ministry is characterized by an urgency and a willingness to seek out overlooked and spiritually-needy peoples.

- **14 Hard-to-reach language:** Socotron is spoken on the island of Socotra, off Africa's coast, an area totally closed to the Gospel. But with God everything is possible. Pray for spiritual breakthroughs and for Godappointed contacts, perhaps even in a nearby country.
- **15 Indonesia language:** The Ampanang is one of the priority languages targeted by GRN Indonesia. Pray for a recording team to take the Good News to them and for God to use His Gospel to transform lives and reconcile many to Himself.
- **16 Pray for more field teams:** Pray that the Lord would raise up godly, gifted, and adventurous young people to answer the call as recordists and other field team members. Pray for their home churches to uphold them in prayer and encouragement.
- 17 The peoples of Northern Luzon: There are many people groups living in Northern Luzon. Pray for an open door for GRN Philippines to record many languages and for suitable language helpers to speak on the recordings. Pray too for the eventual distribution of the recordings to bear eternal fruit.
- **18 God's love motivates us:** God's love for us and for all peoples should be the motivation driving GRN. Pray that every act of service we perform and every people group we pursue will be carried out as an expression of our love for God.
- 19 Messages for refugees: USA recordists are working to complete a set of special messages of comfort and strength for children and others who've experienced trauma in leaving their homeland, with a specific focus right now on one nation at war. Messages will be distributed to children on a player tucked into a stuffed tiger for comfort. Pray about this initiative.
- **20 GRN UK:** Kenny has arranged for a translation of the children's "tiger" script into another crucial language. Pray this will go well and that we get suitable speakers to record the interactive script.

- **21 Worldwide application:** We are also praying for large worldwide ministries to take on the distribution of the Tumi Tigers with players to children in the countries where this language is spoken. Pray for many to catch the vision of using these materials.
- **22 GRN Belgium:** Our Belgium team is supporting a church in Ukraine that is partnered with GRN and is now reaching out to the homeless and displaced in their country. Pray the team will be able to provide both practical and spiritual support.
- 23 Larry in Indonesia: Larry and Nathaniel leave Nigeria in a few days to spend time in this island nation. There is a critical meeting with other missions during August to consider many options for organizing a thrust to reach every language in that widespread country. Pray for sensitivity to God's direction.
- **24 USA Legal Processes:** The finance department is working to get recognized by the state of Arizona as dba GRN. For some reason this has been held up way too long. Pray for Ralph, Joan, and Shannon as they continue to streamline procedures with our new automated banking service.
- **25 New recordings:** GRN Philippines had a successful time in the making of good recordings when the team visited Northern Luzon province. The recordings were well understood and had a great impact among those who heard the messages.
- **26 Technical Challenges:** When field recordists finish recording messages, they start the task of editing and preparing a program. When all is completed, the final message must be uploaded by computer to servers in GRN Australia. Often this process is difficult, especially in countries with minimal internet connections. Pray for patience and perseverance for our field workers. Pray about recent recordings almost lost in this process, and for clear communications with the receiving studio in Australia.

- **27 Spiritual warfare:** Technical difficulties, missed connections, misunderstandings with language helpers, and a myriad of other frustrations are part of life for our field workers. But the spiritual warfare behind the scenes is the area where we need to focus fervent prayer. Pray for God's power at work in the spiritual realm.
- **28 Cyber security:** Keep praying for the security of our computer systems and data. New risks appear frequently, and the Information Systems team needs to be constantly vigilant in keeping up with evolving dangers and with finding new technologies able to thwart these threats.
- **29 All GRN ministries:** Pray for every aspect of GRN recording, distribution, outreach, church engagement promotions, and partnership development. May God's Spirit work through our materials to build His kingdom and bring honor to the name of Jesus Christ.
- **30 Prayer and praise**: Prayer and praise are the main business of GRN. Pray God will take us deeper in prayer, ready to listen to the longings of His heart and to be diligent intercessors on behalf of the least-reached peoples.
- **31 The Lord is our Refuge:** The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in him. (Nahum 1:7 NIV)



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