

## November Update on October 2017 Missionary Letters

### **Craig & Shirley Colbert - International Friends/InterFACE**

October is the last month for the fiscal year for InterFACE Ministries and the ministry account is low enough that they will not get a full paycheck in October. They need prayer that an additional \$6,000 will come in above the regular giving in the month of October in order for them to be paid in November. In December the giving usually pick up and things will look better. Would you consider giving a gift to help us? During the month of October, they have a \$2,000 matching gift for any new or upgraded giving that is recurring (monthly or quarterly). If you would like to send a gift go to [iface.org](http://iface.org) and click on donate. Please join us in praying for God's full provision for this need in our ministry. In September they started their kids Bible Club on Wednesday nights. To their surprise 21 kids showed up the first session. Please pray for the children, ages K-5<sup>th</sup> grade, as well as their parents to realize that God loves them and has provided Jesus as their Savior. Finally, last year International Friends and Global Life Church were able to send 263 Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes to children in Mexico. How many will we send this year? There are a number of ways you can be involved. 1) Praying for internationals to catch the vision for giving and sharing with others. 2) Donating items for the boxes; small toys, crayons, school supplies, hats, scarves, toiletries, etc. (no candy, medicines or liquids). 3) Donating cash to pay for shipping. Each box costs approximately \$9 to ship. Donations can be sent to Global Life Church, 1205 University Ave. Suite 1900, Columbia, MO 65201. 4) You can pack a box yourself and bring it to our Packing Party. Send request for brochure to [johncraigcolbert@aol.com](mailto:johncraigcolbert@aol.com). Operation Christmas Child is sponsored by Samaritan's Purse, an evangelical relief agency led by Franklin Graham, designed to give a shoe box of Christmas gifts to poor children around the world in the name of Jesus. Along with the shoebox they will receive a colorful booklet (in their language) about the life of Jesus! Last year over 11 million boxes were distributed in 118 nations.

### **Julio Fredes - Association of Baptists for Worldwide Evangelism in Cuba**

Mario Luis Cancio Diaz and his wife Yanairis ask that we support him in prayer as their church is currently under construction, advancing the chapel and the pastoral house. They have 3 full time missionary fields; men, women and children. Their purpose is to spread the gospel

throughout the community called “El Perico” and the municipality Cabaiguan. Pastor Fredes was able to preach at Las Camelias Baptist Church, a small town in the region closest to Santiago. They fulfilled their first year since they opened their doors. Many testimonies were given and the gospel was preached. Please keep missionary Vincente Astudillo in prayer as he ministers to the people. Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

**Boaz and Ruth Glad – Avant Ministries, Spain and Europe**

Even though Christianity is not allowed and worship meetings, Bible camps and Bible seminars are forbidden in North Africa, they praise God for the fruitful time they had over the summer. They spent 9 weeks ministering to many national believers during 4 major gatherings and shared the Word with several underground home churches. They were blessed to attend the baptism of 10 new brothers and sisters in an inflatable swimming pool. Their tv production team at Malaga Media Center (MMC) made a decision to move from a magazine-style program on satellite tv to individual video segments for use primarily on the Internet. Now is the time to put that plan into action by gathering, sorting, and editing all media that has been produced by MMC and post them on their Arabic webpage [www.asdika.org](http://www.asdika.org), YouTube, and on satellite tv channels. Please pray that God will continue His work amongst their people as they implement this new strategy. Both Boaz and Ruth assist with students attending the leadership seminars at The European Training Center (ETC) based near the city of Malaga, Spain. They just completed a 10 day class on how to work as teams. Fifteen Arab leaders came (men & women) from seven countries (Egypt, Lebanon, Syria, Iraq, Israel, Holland and Belgium). Since the Spanish government does not grant visas to North Africans, there were no leaders from NA. Please pray that God will help them to find better ways to invite leaders from NA to attend. They still have a large number of music CDs in storage at MMC. Please pray that they find ways to smuggle them in to NA so that more believers can be encouraged. Pray for two new believers, Salwa who used to practice Islam and Ahmed who is the youngest of 64 (yes, 64!!) brothers and sisters because his father was a Muslim priest and used to marry and divorce freely believing the Muslim should fill the world. Pray for them to grow in the Lord as they are now followers of Christ. Pray for Ruth as she answers questions and that many will come to accept Christ. Pray that Boaz will communicate God’s Word openly and clearly. Thank you for your prayers and support!

**Paul and Vicky Craine – Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF)**

Please pray for their weekly clubs, 2 Sunday, 1 Monday, 2 Tuesday, 1 Wednesday, and 1 Thursday. Pray that each lesson taught is done with Biblical accuracy and Spiritual enthusiasm. They need God to direct them to those who can serve as committee members and those who can give to their financial needs. Thank you so much for your generosity and encouragement.

**Royden Saul – International Partnership Ministries, Haiti**

He and his wife Danielle have made their home in Bassin with their two sons, serving together with his parents in the small village on the northern part of Haiti. They minister to the people through an elementary school, Baptist church, men's Bible school and medical clinic. Thousands of children and adults have trusted Christ as a result of His Word being faithfully taught and preached here. Despite being the least funded part of the ministry, 300 primary school students receive a hot meal each school day. Royden is involved in the youth ministry as the Saul's assist and encourage the many child evangelists who have graduated from SALEM Bible Institute, reaching children across the country. Pray for Royden as he organizes and directs the Saul's largest outreach of the year for one month each summer, training 250 pastors from all over Haiti giving them skills to improve their ministry. It is the only Bible education that most of them ever receive.

**John and Annette Wickline - Baptist Ministries Worldwide, Australia**

Not long ago some new people began attending their church, among them several university students. In God's wise providence He brought a young colleague who recently completed his doctorate in apologetics at Oxford University in England and is in sync with the younger generation. Pray for this ministry as well as another young man who is finishing up his university studies and is showing an interest in Scriptures and genuine concern for the people. Pray for the country, as it is engaging in a postal vote to gauge the public's sentiment on same-sex marriage. The nation is quite divided on the subject. Public demonstrations have been violent. Proponents have threatened to burn churches and harm those who dare preach against this change. As a registered marriage celebrant, John is accounted as an officer of the state but he will not solemnize a marriage of same-sex couples. Pray for God to change the hearts of the leader's to do right. Pray for the Vietnam contacts John made during his visit in April. For God to make the name of Jesus glorious in the land that has suffered so much. Thank you for your interest in their ministry. They appreciate your financial support as well as your continual prayers.