

# August Partner Summaries

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## North America

### Stonegate Fellowship Missions Team

- Hispanic Ministries
  - Ismael has preached in Juarez (El Shaddai Church) and in Acuna (Pastors Meetings and Trainings), and will be preaching again in Juarez August 31-September 2 in multiple city-wide services.
- Mobilization
  - Cheyenne is putting together teams for 2018 Fall Local Adventures, as well as preparing for 2019 Winter/Spring International Adventures.
  - 2018 Go.BE Adventures Debrief Breakfast was an excellent start, and we (as the Missions team) were encouraged to hear the stories our trip participants were eager to share of what they saw God do through their Adventure.
- Run for a Reason 2018
  - Registration is slowly progressing with 65 runners and 11 volunteers registered as of August 30.
  - Spoken Worldwide will be lending items for us to transform the Missions Kiosk in the Main Auditorium into "Race Central," where our Body can come and register for the race and learn more interactively about Spoken and what they are doing in Africa and Asia.

### Kasey Barker - Fellowship Network, Toronto, Canada

- Praise Jesus for the growing relationship Kasey has developed with Melody! Kasey has been discipling Melody for the last 6 months and saw God's faithfulness week after week in softening Melody's heart and working in her life. A few months ago, Melody took her next step, and was baptized! Kasey got to baptize Melody as her sister in Christ on July 22!

### Mission Agape - Ric and Stacy Baccus, Midland, TX

- The School Supply Program 2018 was a huge success, as Mission Agape was able to bless 460 children this year with school supplies. Their original goal was 400 students, praise God!
- This was the highest number of school supply drives done by organizations and businesses, as well as an amazing turnout of volunteers to help.

## Kaleidoscope Ministries - Lynn Rogers, Midland, TX

- Highlights from the Summer:
    - LIT (Leaders In Training) - Junior and High School students were able to participate in a fun trip to the Monahans Sandhills!
    - K-Camp 2018 - 6 week summer day-camp for students, where for the first time, they were able to experience Kid's College through a partnership with Midland College!
    - Visit [www.midlandkm.com](http://www.midlandkm.com) for their Fall 2018 calendar, weekly schedule or email [info@midlandkm.com](mailto:info@midlandkm.com) to get signed up for their Volunteer training before the Fall Kick-Off on September 10!
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## Asia

### Chris & Kortni Hsiao - CMM (Center for Mission Mobilization)

- Please pray for Chris and Kortni as they **transition**: that God would help them to cherish the remaining time with friends and family; for their **marriage**: that their relationship would be protected, that they would grow in intimacy, trust, communication and friendship; and, for **financial partners**: for favor and God's provision for their needs.
- Chris and Kortni's official move date to East Asia is September 17! They will be joining a team of mission mobilizers. They will be specifically partnering with house church leaders and pastors, strategizing on how they can raise up more local missionaries who are willing to take the Gospel outside their own borders and into unreached peoples around them.

### ChinaAid

- Please pray over the following:
  - that every ChinaAid employee and volunteer be a reflection of Jesus's love for the overlooked.
  - that the eyes of the ChinaAid staff to be opened to new areas of growth and aid, and to become better advocates for the least of these.
  - that the Chinese families separated because of the persecution be comforted by the Holy Spirit on their hardest days.

### Mission India

- Please pray over these three generations of illiteracy:
  - Eshana worked with her mother and grandmother in a matchstick factory, where all were stuck in a generational cycle of illiteracy.
  - All three women were invited to one of Mission India's Adult Literacy Class, and they all enrolled. In addition to gaining skills in reading, writing, and math, Eshana took part in a special training offered through the Literacy Class where she learned how to make candles, pickles, and other products. She now plans to start a business selling the items she has learned to make.
  - All three women have heard the Gospel in their classes, but haven't received Jesus as their Savior yet. Please pray that their hearts will be transformed by God's love.

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## Middle East

### **LSESD (Lebanese Society for Educational & Social Development) - Middle East**

- The need in Lebanon and the Middle East North Africa region today is for a holistic education that gives rise to responsible people who respect, defend, and promote the rights of others, be they women, children with special needs, minority groups, refugees...An education that caters to mind, body and soul as the one offered by LSESD's Beirut Baptist School, and which prompts graduates to challenge their fellow students and graduates to seek to "change Lebanon, make a difference." Education is one avenue through which LSESD seeks to serve the local community.

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## Africa

### **Spoken Worldwide**

- A transformation story from the Spoken In-Country Director in Kenya:
  - "The locals are interested in learning new Biblical teaching. One lady really appreciated the listening device because the stories were told in her heart language and she could understand them. She said **many are changed**. She is encouraged that she, too, can speak the Bible and **share with others**. She wants to use the device evangelically by letting it play for people passing by on the road, or taking it to someone's home, and then when someone is interested, she can explain and invite them to know Jesus. She says, 'Listen to what the stories are saying and view my life before and after, I am changed.'"

### **The Bradley Family - SIM, Ethiopia**

- Pray for Chad as he grows in his study of the local language and begins teaching two courses next Spring (The Bible and God, and The Gospel of John).
- Pray for Nancy, as she is now 35 weeks pregnant with baby Charity. Ask for a healthy and safe remaining weeks of pregnancy and for the delivery.

### **The Harper Family - YWAM (Youth With A Mission), Uganda**

- Pray for Silas and Elijah's US Visa appointments; Silas was approved but the Embassy told Sid and Wendy that a 4th investigation has to be done for Elijah. Pray that they receive clarification of information and are able to move forward with this investigation.
- The Harper's will be heading back to the US! They plan on staying for 6 months to rest, refuel and spend time with family. Pray for the flights, traveling with 6 kids and readjustment to America from Uganda, and for a large enough vehicle for their whole family.