



MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT: January 1

Peter & Lucy Station **SIBERIA**

Friends, Acts 1:8 tells us we're to share the gospel to the ends of the earth and today we want to pray for two of our missionaries who are right on the edge of the ends.

Two of our missionaries, Peter and Lucy Station, are serving in Mongolia. Now, in case you don't have an atlas with you, that's north of China and south of Russia, where many people still live in tents.

Peter and Lucy go out visiting in tent communities to witness and share the gospel. We help support them in their work there, through our church's Cooperative Program giving.

Last Christmas they told a man and his wife the Christmas story and how Jesus came into the world; our missionaries also gave their testimonies about how Jesus could come into their lives and provide salvation.

The man, his wife and their daughters, all came to faith in Christ.

Soon after this, the man, whose name is Ganzorig (say gan-ZORE-ig) became sick with hepatitis, which damaged his liver. While that's bad, the good news is that this new believer was not afraid. He was trusting God to take care of him.

Today let's pray for our brave missionaries, who are being faithful in going so far to share the precious message of the gospel. And let's pray that this new believer may be healed if it is God's will. Let's ask the Lord for many to be saved in Siberia.



MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT: January 8

David Pothier
MONTREAL, CANADA

We probably do not think of Canada as a mission field.

But we should.

There are hundreds of towns in Canada that do not have a church of any kind.

Montréal is one of their largest cities with some four million people, but few people bother with any kind of church. Most people know nothing about the Christian faith.

The city is anti-religion in some ways — it requires a permit to buy or rent a building for religious purposes, but then does not issue permits like that anymore.

But our missionary in Montréal, David Pothier, started a church called La Chappelle four years ago with five or six people meeting in a living room. He has been supported in part by our church, through our Cooperative Program giving.

Now there are two congregations with some 1,300 members. On Easter Sunday a year ago they baptized 69 new believers. They've started 45 home groups for discipleship.

The church has helped many people get away from drugs and many other problems and become active church members instead

Today we rejoice that people are being reached for Christ in this city of lostness. And we pray that many, many more churches will be started in the days ahead.



MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT: January 15

Matt Fontenot **EURASIA**

Today we want to pray for one of our overseas missionaries serving in Eurasia. We'll call him Matt.

One day he met a man walking out of a tattoo parlor; Matt stopped to talk to him because the man wanted to show off the new ink he was now wearing.

Now, tattoos and the man's general appearance would have put off most people. But Matt's a missionary, so he made it a point not only to talk with the man, but to arrange a time to talk more later — not about tattoos, but about the gospel.

"He could be the next church planter here," Matt said.

Because our church gives through the Cooperative Program, we support missionaries like Matt who share the gospel in many languages among all sorts of people around the world.

Let's pray for Matt now.



MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT: January 22

Tim Shupp **SPAIN**

One of our missionaries in Spain, Tim Shupp, was meeting some people one day. He was puzzled, because when he was introducing himself, one of the women started crying.

Then she explained why.

Tim once directed a literature ministry in Spain. He drove a van packed with Bibles and Christian books all around to introduce the gospel. One day when the woman came to the van, Tim's daughter gave her a drawing that presented the gospel and explained how to become a Christian.

Tim did not even know about it. But long after the Shupps had left, the woman came to faith in Christ.

Our church supports Tim and his family there in Spain through our Cooperative Program gifts.

Let's pray for them and their ministry today. And let's thank the Lord that even a drawing given by a child can help lead someone to faith in Jesus Christ.



MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT: January 29

Josh and Amy Carter **PORTLAND, OREGON**

Portland, Oregon is a city with about 2.3 million people.

Almost none of them consider church an important part of their lives. The city is famous for being so-called “freethinking” and focused on New Age kinds of things.

That’s where two of our missionaries, Josh and Amy Carter, have gone to start a new church. They already started one church in East Tennessee, but they think Portland is going to be a bigger challenge.

They moved to the multi-ethnic western part of Portland. Once they have a successful church started, they plan to immediately start other churches about the city, because every one of Portland’s neighborhoods needs churches.

Today, let’s pray for Josh and Amy and the big assignment they have out in Portland. They are our missionaries; we support them through our church’s Cooperative Program giving.