



MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT: September 3

Mike McAfee **AFRICA**

In Africa and other parts of the world, sometimes Muslims come to faith in Christ because God speaks to them in dreams.

One of our missionaries in Africa our church helps support through the Cooperative Program is Mike McAfee. Recently a local pastor brought a man to him who had been dreaming about a man in white.

The man was not just a Muslim; he was an imam — a Muslim teacher — his people group is 99 percent Muslim. When he told his family about the dreams, they persecuted him and said he was possessed by evil spirits.

But Mike told the man God was speaking to him through his dreams, and wanted him to trust Jesus Christ as his Savior. Mike's words were in keeping with what the man had dreamed and he knew Mike spoke the truth.

The man accepted Christ as Savior and became a Christian.

Our missionaries often deal with miracles like this. After all, isn't every salvation a miracle?

Now let's pray for our missionary Mike and for this believer and all believers God is calling through dreams.



MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT: September 10

Eric Suddith **CONYERS, GEORGIA**

Most of us know something about Atlanta, that big city in Georgia, and probably some of us here today have been there.

We probably have not thought about Atlanta as a mission field. But it is.

Even though there are some large and effective churches in and around Atlanta, there are not enough to reach all the lost people there. Some of the older, traditional churches are shrinking because they have lost a vision of missions.

Now we move just a little east of Atlanta to the city of Conyers and look at one of those churches that had declined.

Emmanuel Baptist Mission Church was down to eight members when Eric Suddith went there as pastor. He, his wife and their three children immediately added five more members.

Suddith was a bivocational pastor. He had served 25 years in corporate business, including 15 years as an executive at AT&T, even as he served as a minister.

Less than 10 years later, Emmanuel has some 1,300 people attending, has a new building and many community ministries.

This is the kind of church turnaround that our North American Mission Board is promoting; ministers are being trained in how to replace declining stagnation with growth.

Our church's Cooperative Program giving is helping fund that ministry.

Now, let us ask God to bless Eric Suddith's ministry and pray that this kind of miracle can become more and more common!



MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT: September 17

Brianna Weir

SOUTHEASTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Today we want to pray for a missionary who's not one yet.

In fact, we don't know what Brianna Weir may wind up doing in life.

She is attending Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. Our church's Cooperative Program giving helps support Southeastern — one of our six seminaries — so Brianna's tuition is much lower than most schools of similar quality would offer.

While she was still in high school Brianna and five of her friends organized a ministry called "Save Our Sisters," which fights human trafficking, a global curse.

That might become her life's ministry, but she doesn't know for sure yet. She says all of life is an opportunity for missions and ministry. Attending Southeastern is a great way to be ready for whatever the Lord has in store for her.

Today, let's pray for this Southeastern student and ask the Lord to lead her wherever He wants her to go. Looks like she will be ready.



MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT: September 24

Rusty Ford **EUROPE**

Today, we want to pray for Rusty Ford, one of our missionaries serving in Europe — one of those our church supports through the Cooperative Program.

As Rusty ministered to a family, he met a young man named Raoul (say rah-OOL), who looked strong and athletic, because he was a kickboxing champion. But the young man struggled with drug addiction.

Rusty took Raoul to a Christian rehab center for treatment that included counseling and prayer. As Raoul heard the gospel, he accepted Christ as his Savior. Soon, Raoul's twin brother, Jorge, also became a Christian.

The two brothers decided they could use their boxing as an outreach method and Rusty helped them start classes at a church. Young men flocked to the classes, and so far the two brothers have shared the gospel with more than 50 of them. Many of these young men have decided to follow Christ and to stop using drugs.

Today let's pray for Rusty's ministry there in Europe, which desperately needs to know the gospel, just as these two boxing brothers did.