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"So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God." 1 Corinthians 10:31 ESV

#### **ASIAN PACIFIC RIM PEOPLES**

Believers around the world leverage their resources to reach all people with the gospel. They share the gospel while running a medical clinic among an unreached people group and training refugees to bake bread. Join them in praying for the lost around the Asia-Pacific Rim

"All of our work is God's work. We seek to use all of our gifts as we work for His glory, so that the gospel will reach all people." — a missionary in the Asia-Pacific Rim.

#### MEDICAL CLINIC PROVIDES AN UNREACHED PEOPLE WITH ACCESS TO THE GOSPEL

At the foot of contoured mountains, sprawling rice fields surround a nondescript building. This is the clinic where a team shares the gospel while providing healthcare services. The team of nurses and doctors partnered with chaplains in 2019 to visit people in their homes and use the medical talents God had given them to reach people in the area. By 2020, these home visits grew into The Eternal Peace Primary Care Clinic. While the clinic serves as a place of quality, convenient medical services, the staff also still go to individual homes, offering blood sugar and blood pressure checks.

The clinic is strategically located near people who have never heard of Jesus and are far from quality healthcare. One unreached people group they serve is the Coffee People. Where the Coffee People live, many try to find healing from shamans. When they go to the clinic and receive quality medical care,



the staff testify that all the clinic's provisions are by God's grace and the difference at the Eternal Peace Clinic is the love of Jesus. The doctors and nurses share the gospel with each patient and pray for them in Jesus' name.

We praise God that over the past three years, hundreds of people have heard the gospel through this ministry, and many have come to faith in Jesus. Three home groups have started, and 12 people have been baptized. We also thank God that in 2022, The Eternal Peace Clinic was approved to join the national health insurance program. This provides the staff with opportunities to serve more people who need medical care and salvation in Jesus. Please pray for the team as they use their all to reach all people for God's glory.

### ANSWER TO YOUR PRAYER

In November 2022, we prayed for an IMB team in Germany as they share the gospel online through ads with videos and pictures of passages from God's Word. God is answering our prayers! Ralph saw one of these ads and connected with the team. He has been reading the Bible and asking deep questions. Join the team in praying for Ralph and his whole family to seek the Lord, be saved, and be discipled.



A nurse takes a woman's blood pressure. IMB Photo.

**ETERNAL PEACE CLINIC.** Pray for the eternal Peace Clinic staff to be bold as they witness to patients. Pray they will be in God's Word daily and be able to give a defense gently and respectfully to anyone who asks for the reason of the hope they have in Christ (1 Peter 3:15).

THE BAKERY. Pray for The Bakery to serve as a place where refugees truly find refuge. May the believers who run this ministry thrive in the community and effectively help refugees adjust to their host country and confidently live in society.

YOUNG PEOPLE REACHING THE ASIA-PACIFIC RIM. Young Filipino Christians are obeying God's call to take the gospel to people in hard-to-reach areas throughout the Philippines. Ask God to bless the local believers who train these young people. Please pray for God to be glorified in the Philippines.

# 4 ASIAN PACIFIC RIM UNENGAGED PEOPLES. The

Buol live in Indonesia and work as rice farmers. Most follow Islam and hold animistic beliefs. With only a handful of believers among them and very few gospel resources available, prayer is key in reaching them. Pray that many will trust in Jesus.

**SOUTER RIM PEOPLE OF EAST ASIA.** Simon is a believer and the headmaster of a school in a remote mountainous area. His students are Buddhist. Please join Simon in asking God to raise up workers who will teach his students English, using the Bible. May many of Simon's students come to faith in Jesus.

for wisdom and direction as
The Eternal Peace Clinic works with
the national insurance agency. Pray
that everything will continue to go
smoothly so the clinic can serve
more people who need medical
care and salvation in Jesus.

ASIAN PACIFIC RIM PEOPLES.
An IMB team presented a 3-day training for new believers. Pray that God will use the training to deepen their faith and understanding of God's mission to reach the lost. Pray the team continues working together for God's glory.

8 CHINESE IN EUROPE. A Chinese church in France recently saw several people come to faith and are discipling them. Most Chinese churches in France do not have pastors, yet they faithfully meet and learn from God's Word. Join us in praying for the healthy growth of these churches.

**THE BAKERY.** Pray for The Bakery to be a place of inspiration for refugees. Pray that refugees will thrive in society and experience God's healing in their lives from the past trauma they have experienced.

ASIAN PACIFIC RIM PEOPLES.
Pray for churches in the AsiaPacific Rim to continue drawing
closer to the Lord, obeying Him
more faithfully, and intentionally

reaching out to the lost. May the 2 billion people there hear the gospel clearly, see their need for Christ, and look to Him in faith.

**11 JAPAN.** Please pray that the lost on the island of Hokkaido will come to know Jesus. Ask that believers there will point people to the Lord with their words and actions.

12 THE BAKERY. Praise God for partnerships that The Bakery has established with local Baptist churches, a Baptist convention, and other believers. They all work with the same desire to advance the gospel among refugees from an unreached people group.

**GLOBAL MISSIONARY PARTNERS.** Evelyn serves as a Global Missionary Partner in a foreign land. She knows that every day is a spiritual battle and that she needs Christ. Pray that God will strengthen her faith.

that more patients at the clinic will hear the good news, understand their need for salvation, and profess faith in Jesus Christ. May a new church start in a nearby village.

15 MEBO OF LAOS. Please ask God to call out more medical professionals to serve among the Mebo of Laos. Most remote villages where Mebo live lack trained physicians and adequate medical facilities. This contributes to high rates of maternal and infant mortality.

**16 GLOBAL MISSIONARY PARTNERS.** Evelyn's current
visa requires her to periodically leave
the country, also leaving her team and
the small group she is discipling. Pray
that when it's time to renew her visa,
she will be able to stay in the country
for a longer period of time.

Toda has been producing wonderful fruit through efforts by students on several campuses in Malaysia. Please pray for these believing students to reach out in other parts of Malaysia so that God's glory will spread to students on other campuses too.

### 18 ASIAN PACIFIC RIM UNENGAGED PEOPLES.

Most Northern Thai of Laos have followed Buddhism for generations and now mix those beliefs with animistic traditions. They usually do not understand their need for forgiveness or for a Savior. Will you pray for the few believers among them to live faithfully for God's glory?

- 19 ETERNAL PEACE CLINIC. Join the team at the Eternal Peace Clinic in praying for God to provide a Christian dentist who can serve in the daytime shift at the clinic. May offering dental services open new and greater avenues for gospel opportunities.
- PEOPLE OF BRUNEI. Brunei enforces Islamic Law, which forbids anyone to leave Islam. Please pray that the Holy Spirit will embolden local believers to joyfully share their faith (Acts 4:29). May many in Brunei turn to Christ and receive eternal life with God.
- THE BAKERY. Pray for the salvation of unbelieving refugees. May God soften their hearts and draw them to Himself. Pray Psalm 30:11-12 for them. May God turn their mourning into dancing, remove their sackcloth, and clothe them with gladness, singing God's praise.

## 22 CHINESE IN NORTHERN AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE

**EAST.** A Chinese church in the Middle East baptized dozens of new believers. Pray that they will keep growing as Jesus' disciples. May this church continue to be steadfast, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in Him their labor is not in vain (1 Corinthians 15:58).

23 ETERNAL PEACE CLINIC. This year, the team at Eternal Peace Clinic is preparing to apply for accreditation. This accreditation is required to continue working with the national insurance agency.. Please pray that all the requirements will be me.

**24 SOUTH KOREA.** A group of pastors in South Korea are preparing to plant churches. Please ask for God's wisdom for these pastors and for the missionaries who are assisting and coaching them.

## 25 PEOPLE OF CHIANG RAI PROVINCE, THAILAND.

Workers share the gospel in Chiang Rai through many ministries, such as fitness classes. Several people who normally wouldn't go to church but attend the fitness classes are now open to the gospel. Please ask God to continue using this fitness ministry to reach people.

GLOBAL MISSIONARY
PARTNERS. Evelyn is working
to learn the local language and
culture so that she can understand
her small group better and engage
them well in leadership training.
Pray that God will allow her to learn
quickly and confidently share the
gospel in the local language.

**27 THE BAKERY.** Praise God for new believers among refugees of an unreached people group. As they bake bread, please pray for them to continue to draw near to Jesus, the Bread of life.

GLOBAL MISSIONARY PARTNERS. Before Evelyn shared the true gospel with them, Marianne's small group had only heard a false gospel, promising health and wealth. Ask God to continue revealing the truth to them in His Word. May He use this group to reach more people in their area.

THE BAKERY. Last year, believers and refugees at The Bakery made 35,000 loaves of bread. Praise God they were able to donate hundreds of loaves to refugee children. Ask Him to use The Bakery draw the lost to Himself.

**30** ETERNAL PEACE CLINIC. Praise God for the team of medical professionals He has already brought together. Pray for continued stamina and conviction to serve people with excellence and to share the goodness of God.

**GLOBAL MISSIONARY PARTNERS.** Pray for people in the country where Evelyn serves to be receptive to the gospel and share it freely with others. May they not be swayed by a prosperity gospel but see the truth in the gospel of Christ's redemptive work.



A refugee working at The Bakery. IMB Photo.

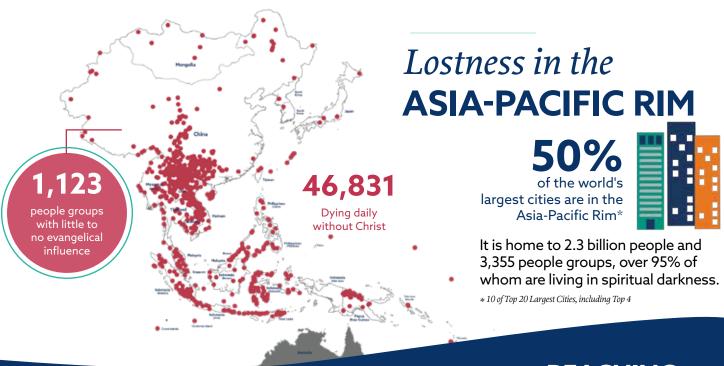
# REFUGEES LEARN A NEW SKILL IN A HEALING, CHRISTIAN ENVIRONMENT

God uses all kinds of gifts to reach all people, including baking bread. When believers wanted to open a bakery to reach refugees from an unreached people group, God faithfully provided. Many refugees experience trauma that hinders them from successfully living in society. Believers offer them qualified training in baking bread and also a Christian work environment where they can learn about Jesus, the Bread of life. It partners with a Baptist church plant that works to evangelize and disciple refugees as well as teach them helpful life skills and offer housing. Three refugees have believed the gospel, and others are seeking the Lord. Some of the new believers now dream of returning to their home country to bake bread. Pray that God will make a way for this to happen and use these new believers reach their people for His glory.

# A GLOBAL MISSIONARY PARTNER DISCIPLES OTHERS TO REACH PEOPLE IN SOUTH ASIA

Evelyn is a Global Missionary Partner (GMP) from the Asia-Pacific Rim who joined an IMB team in South Asia. She uses all of the resources she has available to reach as many people as possible. She pours her energy into language study, running her business, and building a friendship with Marianne. Marianne is a believer who has formed a group that supports

sharing about Jesus, but they only knew the false gospel of health and wealth before Evelyn shared the true gospel with them. Please pray for Evelyn as she uses discipleship resources and leadership training to strengthen this group's spiritual growth and equip them to share the true gospel. May God use this group to partner in reaching all people in South Asia.



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