

Acts 1:8

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."



## ***Missionary Update and Prayer Guide***

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This guide includes updates and prayer requests from missionaries we are helping to support.

Thank you for supporting these through your prayers and finances.

Belle View Baptist Church Missions Team

## Northstar Church Network

Northstar's purpose is to inspire, energize and resource our diverse churches to carry out their God-given mission. Their core values include Acceptance, Service, Spiritual Growth and Innovation. The Northstar Church network serves churches who are ministering in Northern Virginia.



## Southern Baptist Conservatives of Virginia



The SBC of Virginia is a fellowship of more than 700 churches dedicated to the fulfillment of the Great Commission. The convention began in 1996 based on a belief in the inerrancy of Scriptures and committed to church planting as a means to reach the world for Christ.

Our contributions to the SBC of Virginia help fund the North American Mission Board and the International Mission Board.

## Minako Wilkinson Navigators

We are truly blessed to partner with Minako as she works to be the hands and feet of Jesus to the Japanese students in the DC area.

### Praise from Minako:

“Thank you so much for praying for our small community of Japanese women: Mika, Kei, Saori, and me. We just had our final Bible study yesterday, followed by a farewell time (for Kei and Saori since they're returning to Japan the week after next) and birthday luncheon for Mika. Since this is my last chance to teach them the Bible in this group, I wanted to show them how to listen to God and I wanted to hire a Japanese babysitter for their children whom they bring to the study. But the sitter had told me that she would not be available today. Then my Navigator colleague and friend Karen Taniguchi, who is passing through DC on her way to Boston this week, offered to watch the kids. What an excellent sitter God provided for this occasion!

So, I was able to teach the women some principles of listening prayer, and then we took turns listening to God, asking Him how He views each individual sitting around the table: Mika, Kei, and Saori. God showed up in a very tangible way, giving us consistent messages for each person by bringing to our minds Bible verses or by giving us images. God beckoned Saori who has been hesitant to commit herself fully to Him, He delighted in Kei's contentment in Him, and He affirmed His joy over Mika.”



## Terry and Jamie Kim

### Following His call:

We are rejoicing with Terry and joining him in prayer as he answers a new calling to be an Elder at Impact Church in Centreville, VA.

Praise God for Terry's dedication and commitment to continued ministry.



The Missions Team will be prayerfully considering new opportunities to support new and/or current partners in 2020.

## Wade and Barbara Akins Pioneer Missions Global

This couple has a multi-faceted ministry. They are currently delivering **Pioneer Evangelism Training**, conducting **Bible Conferences**, organizing **Reading Glasses Ministries**, enabling **School Evangelism** and organizing and participating in **Open Air Services**. A **Clean Water Well Ministry** also provides clean water and an opportunity to share the Living Water message.



## God is moving in Rwanda and Burundi!

After ten years of ministry in Rwanda the church has over 9,000 baptized believers with 509 House Churches.

Five years of ministry in Burundi has 5,000 baptized believers.



Wade and Barbara just returned from this region of the world where they worked with two Pioneer Evangelism Teacher/Trainer teams to train over 200 new Pioneer Evangelists in the Pioneer Evangelism strategy. They also trained about 60 of the top region and district leaders of the local network on basic Bible doctrines.

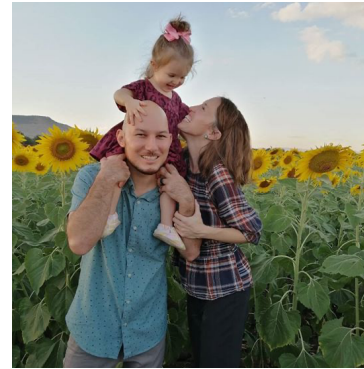


## Clean Water Ministry Update

Praises for another well to provide Clean Water in Amugu District of North Uganda.

**For those who wish to contribute to the Clean Water Ministry:**

<https://www.pioneermissions.org/wade-barbara-akins>



## Phil and Julie (and Sophie) Hoshiwara OMF (U.S.)

We are blessed to support this family as they follow God's call to the work of church planting in Thailand.

## A Note of Praise from Julie:

"This photo marks something very significant. One of the greatest anxieties I battled coming to Thailand was that I would be apart from Sophie every morning, five days a week, for our first year here. It's not what I wanted. But what I WANT is often not best. Sophie loves her friends, trusts the precious women who care for her well and surprises us with how much she is learning. And I have a unique opportunity to really dive into the Thai language in a focused way that many don't. God is good and trustworthy. I'll be thrilled to be with her all day again when language school ends this summer but, for now, I'll thank God for what He's done for us."



**Prayer Request:** Language, language, language!

The Thai language has 44 consonant symbols, 28 vowel symbols, and 5 tones. That is one reason why the first year in Thailand will be spent on language study. This is because they believe that the best way to reach a people with the gospel is to enter into their world. Paul said, "To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win the Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law...that I might win those under the law" (1 Cor. 9:20).