

MISSIONS UPDATE

September 2020



Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
380 Arneill Road, Camarillo, CA

Across the Streets, Across the States, Across the Seas What's new on the mission field?

Across the Streets: InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, Nathan Porter

What's New: Classes are starting this week at Moorpark College and begin next week for CSU Channel Islands, meaning ministry is beginning again in earnest. With nearly all classes online, it means that nearly all ministry will be online. We are currently having or have plans for Bible studies, prayer meetings, discipleship groups, events and are doing our best to be adaptable. Throughout the summer, we have continued to have Bible studies, prayer meetings and a book club, and it has been a blessing to stay connected to students and seek the Lord with them. It is a little intimidating having ministry be entirely online and many of our structures needing to be redone, but I am hopeful to see how the Lord move.

Prayer Requests: For God's direction in how to best serve students and lead ministry online. For students to be motivated and have protection from Zoom fatigue as we spend much of our time doing ministry through Zoom. For us as InterVarsity to still be able to reach new students with the Gospel!

Website Link: <https://intervarsity.org>

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Across the States: KAKN Christian Radio, Naknek, Alaska, Pastor Bob Lee

What's New: The covid-19 pandemic has made us aware of the value and significance of KAKN radio to the Bristol Bay area. Meetings of the Bristol Bay Borough council have been broadcast to update the community on regulations regarding the pandemic. We have also seen a rise in inquiries about the schedule for some of our programs, indicating a new openness to hearing the Gospel during these troubled times.

Prayer Requests: We give praise for the provision of a grant that has allowed us to purchase a stand-by generator that will start automatically during a power failure. Pray for Paul Christenson and Ron Thramer who will travel to Naknek the end of August to install it. Pray also for Dave Perkins who will be travelling to Naknek later this month to install upgrades to the KAKN computers.

Website Link: <https://kakn.org> or
<https://www.aflochomemissions.org/alaska/kakn-radio/>

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Across the Seas: AFLC Paraguay, Pastor Mafu & Ednay Abel, Missionaries

What's New: While on furlough in the US, the pandemic hit and delayed our return to Paraguay. But, life has been a long extended party for the last month as we went from teen camp, to pre-teen camp, to family camp, to Annual Conference, to a wedding. We have loved every minute of fellowship that we have had! As far as returning to Paraguay is concerned; we have no new information. The borders are still closed and the airports too. We requested the embassy provide information on the next possible return flight but have not yet been confirmed when that might be. In the mean time we will continue to make contacts with current supporters and look for opportunities to recruit more people into the support of the Paraguay mission.

We still have hope that any day we might be able to return to Paraguay and continue with our plan of moving to Guairá to begin a new church plant and work on developing a bible camp.

Prayer Requests: That we may be able to fly home, and for the ministry that we will start in Guair.

Website Link: <https://www.aflcworldmissions.org/wp-content/uploads/Newsletters/MANewsletter.pdf>

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