MOUNT VERNON on MISSION

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You'll be my witnesses...

November reminds us that God is at work through His people-across the street and around the world! In this month's Mount Vernon on Mission,celebrate cultures and God's global mission at our International Gathering, see how a simple batch of cookies is sharing Christ's love through Kairos Prison Ministry, and join believers around the world in praying for the persecuted church. May these stories encourage us to faithfully live out His call: ***"You'll be My witnesses."*** There's a place for each of us to be part of His mission- **PRAY• SERVE • GIVE • GO!**

MISSION Emphasis



International Gathering

Saturday • November 7 • 5:15pm-7:30pm

This evening will be a meaningful time of learning, encouragement, worship and connection as we celebrate how God is at work through His people around the world. Our guest speaker, **Bereket Otoro**, will share with us, and worship will be led by **Dharun Jackson, Enoch Solomon & Steve Miller.**

Come ready for an evening of fellowship, food, and community! You're invited to bring a dish from your home country to share and, if you'd like, wear clothing that represents your heritage. Together we'll celebrate the beauty of cultures from around the world while growing in our understanding of God's global mission. We hope you'll join us for this special evening!

RSVP Online: mountvernon.church/events

MISSION Reflections



Verse Voyagers: Baking for a Blessing

The Verse Voyagers ABF, gathered at Leslie van Berg's home to bake 21 dozen sugar cookies for the men at Dillwyn Correctional Center who will participate in Kairos Prison Ministry weekend. Members generously contributed supplies and came together to bake, sharing their time & talents in support of this meaningful ministry. During the three-day Kairos program, volunteers share the transforming love of Jesus Christ and the hope of forgiveness and salvation. As a special reminder of God's love, each inmate who completes the program receives a Ziploc bag filled with homemade cookies- a simple gift made with love to encourage and bless each recipient. Through this simple act of service, Verse Voyagers helps extend the love of Christ beyond the church walls, reminding these men that they are not forgotten and that God's grace, forgiveness & love are available to all. What a beautiful example of how God can use willing hearts & simple gifts to share the hope of the Gospel!

MISSION Partner Spotlight

Day of Prayer for Persecuted Church

November 1

More than ***388 million Christians worldwide - 1 in 7 believers - face high levels of persecution and discrimination for their faith.*** Persecution can mean rejection by family or community, discrimination at work or school, loss of jobs or homes, imprisonment, violence, and even death. Scripture calls us to remember and pray for our persecuted brothers and sisters. As we pray, we ask God to strengthen their faith, and use their courageous witness to reveal the hope and power of Christ to a watching world.

Find a prayer guide and more information at: **imb.org/persecuted**

MISSION Stories From The Field

Suffering persecution didn't discourage her faith; it deepened her dependence on Christ.

For a believer from a people group in the desert, persecution is a regular part of following Christ. She has faced ridicule and rejection from her family and has even been taken by secret police, enduring abuse without food or water. Yet persecution has not discouraged her faith - it has deepened her dependence on Christ.

As a single mother, she continues faithfully serving refugees and others who are often overlooked, offering practical help, encouragement, and the hope of the gospel. Through every trial, she remains a powerful testimony of God's sustaining grace.

Pray that she & other believers will remain steadfast in their faith, boldly proclaim the gospel and experience God's strength & protection as they follow Christ.

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MOUNT VERNON on MISSION Prayer

Praying for Persecuted Church • Nov 1
OCC Collection Week • Nov 15-23

Wednesdays • 4pm-5pm • M106
Praying for missions & ministries of the church.
Everyone is welcome.

MISSION Activities Calendar

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Every Month

- Food Pantry
  - Every Saturday 10am-11am
- Feeding the Hungry
  - 1st & 2nd Friday and 3rd Monday

August

- 31-9 Mission trip – Porto Alegre, Brazil
- 15 Va Saints – Nottoway
- 19 Mount Vernon on Mission report
- 23 Global Hunger Relief Day
- 26,27,29 IMB new missionary evangelism

September

- 6-20 Va State Missions Offering
- 25 Va Saints – Alderson WVa

October

- 10 Fall Festival
- 21&28 Wednesday Bible Study – Becoming His Witnesses
- 18-27 Pastor Josh – AIM Thailand
- 22 IMB Alumni Luncheon
- 24 Mission Saturday
- 25 OCC begins

November

- 1 Day of Prayer for Persecuted Church
- 7 International Gathering
- 8 Diwali Prayer Emphasis
- 11-12,14 IMB new missionary evangelism
- 15-23 OCC collection week

December

- Nov29-6 Week of Prayer for IMB Missions
- Nov 29-Jan 10 Lottie Moon IMB Emphasis
- 3-4 Baltimore OCC warehouse trip - 15
- 6-8 Charlotte OCC warehouse trip - 25

January

- 6-27 How to have a Spiritual Conversation with a Muslim
- 24 Sanctity of Human Life Day

February

- TBD IMB new missionary evangelism
- 18-20 IMB Missions College at MVBC
- 8-Mar 8 Ramadan Prayer Emphasis

March

- TBD International Gathering
- 14-21 Week of Prayer - Annie Armstrong offering
- 14-Ap 11 Annie Armstong Easter Offering
- 20-25 Turkey Mission Trip - Nowruz
- 28 Easter

April

- TBD IMB new missionary evangelism

May

- TBD Missions Saturday

June

- 5-13 Student Mission Trip – Sao Paulo, Brazil
- 21-25 Youth Camp

July

- 12-16 VBS
- 26-30 KampJAM

September

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