

August 22 | Today we recognize the *International Day for Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief*. Christian persecution began with Christ himself and sadly continues to this day. We pray for those who have been victimized by religious persecution and for those who are currently not allowed to worship God in safety.

August 23 | We praise God for the **Christian community in Iran**. Despite it being illegal to hold services spoken in the native language, distribute Bibles, or speak to non-believers about Christianity, Iran still has one of the fastest-growing Christian communities in the world.

August 24 | Congratulations to **Helen Xajpot**. She **grew up as a sponsored child** and is **now an employee of AMG Guatemala's sponsorship department!** We praise God for His work in the hearts of the children in AMG's child and youth development program.

August 25 | **Ovidiu Ghita** is a **pastor serving with AMG in Romania**. In addition to ministering to a local congregation in Braila, he oversees the majority of AMG's national leaders in Romania. Pastor Ghita is married to Mioara, and they have two adult children. Please pray for a sponsor for Ovidiu.

August 26 | Please pray for the **refugee crisis in the Middle East**. More than 71 million people have fled their homes in countries such as Syria, Afghanistan, Iran and Iraq to escape violent persecution. Pray for Christ's peace and love to be evident even in the midst of war and devastation.

August 27 | Please pray for a sponsor for **Daniel Kasumba**, a young boy living with his mother and two sisters in **Uganda**. Daniel's father abandoned the family due to his struggle with alcoholism. His mother works various odd jobs to provide for her children, but they lack many of life's basics such as adequate food, housing and education. With a sponsor, Daniel will receive these necessities as well as growth in his knowledge of God!

August 28 | Please pray for our **partners in India**. Due to the extremely high temperatures and the shallow wells dug by the government, people are unable to find clean drinking water. This is mostly affecting

people in the lower caste system. **AMG India** is **working to install 50 new borewells** this year to provide hundreds of families in rural villages with much needed access to clean water year-round.

August 29 | **Aheng Chandra Aheng** currently serves in ministry with his **wife, Tinah**, and their two children in **Indonesia**. Aheng became a follower of Jesus after hearing the gospel preached by American missionaries in 1975. At that gathering, he realized Jesus was a real person and that God loves everyone, including him. The idea that he is now God's child motivates Aheng in his ministry efforts. He pursued a ministerial education and received a degree from *Berita Hidup Seminary*. Today, Aheng serves the people of Indonesia by encouraging fellow believers, planting new churches and teaching others about Christ. Aheng is in need of a sponsor.

August 30 | Please pray for sponsors for **George and Marcy Romeos**. They are **missionaries** who have served for the past 25 years at **AMG's CosmoVision Center (CVC)** in **Koropi, Greece**. The CVC is a multi-purpose center for sports, music and outreach for youth. With the CVC as their base, the Romeoses are actively involved in ministering to local evangelical churches while also reaching out to unchurched people and refugees. They also assist in hosting mission teams and visiting churches who come to pursue New Testament studies and follow in the footsteps of Paul.

August 31 | Please pray for our **Christian brothers and sisters in Mali and Nigeria** who are being **persecuted** and physically attacked because of their faith. Pray for peace and comfort for brave believers.

Thank you for your faithful prayer support.
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*"We are compelled by Christ's love
and His commission to make disciples
among the nations."*

August 1 | Vasupalli Nikhila is a sweet girl in need of a sponsor and prayer. Unfortunately, her father was an alcoholic, and he died a couple of years ago. This event was very difficult for the family. Vasupalli's mother works hard to support her children, but her salary is not enough to cover their household needs including Vasupalli's school fees. Thank you for praying for this young girl in need.

August 2 | Due to worldwide lockdowns caused by the coronavirus, **media evangelism, including international newspaper ads, have been greatly affected** as costs have dramatically increased and gifts have decreased. Please **pray that these obstacles are removed** so our media evangelism efforts can effectively bring God's word to those who need it.

August 3 | Please pray that **national leader Gracpen Samiugi** will receive a sponsor soon. Gracpen is an AMG national leader serving and ministering in **Indonesia**. He became a Christian in 2008, and his ministry is focused on growing people's faith. He has a great desire to bring people into a relationship with Christ. Gracpen's efforts are centered around discipleship and church planting.

August 4 | Please pray for **India during the COVID-19 pandemic**. The country has experienced an influx of cases in recent weeks.

August 5 | Misu is a little boy growing up in a big family living in **Bangladesh**. The family's one-bedroom house is made of bamboo and has a glass roof. There is no electricity, and the family gets water from their well. Misu is a well-behaved boy who does not currently have a sponsor. Please pray for Misu and his family during these difficult times.

August 6 | Please pray for **the people of Haiti** as they are in the midst of a devastating drought. This drought, coupled with COVID-19 has made food production scarce. Haiti now ranks as one of the most impacted countries in terms of global hunger.

August 7 | Praise God that AMG's national leader in **Liberia, Arthur Yanweh, has been able to purchase a truck** to be used for ministry and has started building a new church in the community **through the generous support of our donors**.

August 8 | Please pray for **the Tava Project**, an ongoing relief program in **Guatemala** serving those affected by the 2018 volcanic eruption. We now have more than 170 children

enrolled in the project, which is designed to provide an education along with a safe place to be mentored in Christ's truth.

August 9 | Today is **International Indigenous People Day**. We celebrate and pray for the estimated 476 million indigenous people in the world, representing over 5,000 different cultures. We are grateful that God's love transcends culture and language and is for everyone made in his image. We pray that God's Word reaches these groups through the love and sincerity of his followers.

August 10 | As churches begin to open up around the world, please pray for **congregations to return safely and with a renewed passion** to spread the love of Christ to their neighbors.

August 11 | Zyrh, who goes by **Faith**, is a strong and kind girl living in the **Philippines**. She has endured an immense amount of emotional difficulty but is finally in a safe place. Zyrh is receiving appropriate medical and emotional care through AMG International. Her family tends gardens for income. Due to her situation, she is being cared for and nurtured by our loving center staff despite not currently having a sponsor. Please pray for Zyrh and for God to provide a sponsor soon.

August 12 | Today is **International Youth Day**. AMG International's sponsorship program has over 1,700 boys and girls in the youth age bracket. We are so grateful and humbled to see their transformation through participation in the program, and we are thankful for our donors who make it possible.

August 13 | Ririt Eko Purwadi is a national leader serving alongside his **wife, Novi**, in **Indonesia**. Soon after graduating from high school, Ririt had a stroke that left him paralyzed. After Christians visited him and prayed over him, he was healed and could walk again! Following this miracle, he dedicated his life to serving Christ. He now ministers to Muslims and plants churches throughout Indonesia. Please pray for Ririt as he travels and engages with people who have never heard the gospel of Jesus Christ, and pray that he finds a sponsor willing to partner with him!

August 14 | Today is **Pakistan's Independence Day**. Our national partners in-country have informed us of the difficulties around inequality facing Christians in this country. Please pray for their continued safety and courage as they stand strong in their Christian faith.

August 15 | Today is **India's Independence Day**. Their independence has been celebrated worldwide for the non-violent

means in which it was achieved. Please pray for our Christian partners in India as they continue to glorify God despite opposition.

August 16 | Please pray for a sponsor for **Enoch San**, a kind boy living with his stepfather and mother in a mountainous area of **Myanmar**. Enoch's relationship with his stepfather is strained, and the area where they live is dangerous for children. There are government troops and tribal insurgent groups active in warfare, and drug trafficking is prevalent. With a sponsor, Enoch would receive medical care, nutritious food, teaching from the Bible, and an education.

August 17 | **Indonesia** celebrates its **Independence Day** today by focusing on unity through diversity. Please pray that our partners in Indonesia continue to find ways to share the gospel and transform lives for Christ.

August 18 | Dalli Priya is a sweet young girl living in a small Hindu village. Dalli's father is a cab driver, but his income is very sporadic. Due to the economic hardships they've faced, Dalli's parents have been unable to purchase the required school supplies and uniforms to send Dalli and her sister to school. Dalli's parents want her and her sister to attend the local AMG residential school so they can receive a great education. Please pray for a sponsor who would help send Dalli to school and expose her to the Good News.

August 19 | Today is **World Humanitarian Day**. We want to thank our national leaders, missionaries, and donors who make our humanitarian efforts possible. These partnerships are a wonderful representation of the hands and feet of Jesus. We praise God for all your help in meeting people's deepest needs.

August 20 | Due to the recent cyclone and COVID-19, many **people in Bangladesh** have lost their jobs and are unable to produce or buy food. Please pray for their safety and health during this difficult time.

August 21 | We pray for **our friends, family members, and brothers and sisters in Christ who are residing in assisted living homes**. Due to COVID-19, many are still unable to have family visitations. We pray this trying situation draws us closer to God and our families closer to one another despite the physical separation.