



# the Emmanuel Connection

January 2017

## Focus on: Simon and Victoria Ewing



Simon and Victoria Ewing, and their children Tabitha and Reuben, are moving to Tanzania in early February. Simon is an engineer, with a particular interest in renewable energies. Victoria has a background in public health in developing countries. They are very much looking forward to their new lives in Tanzania.

They will be starting their time in Tanzania with the Wingfield family in Iringa, where they will be getting to know the country, the local work of EI and undertaking language training. After this they will be moving to Mwanza, where they will be joining the Monger family and supporting the local projects.

The Ewings' will be working with Dr Bernard Makori and the NGO he started, Rural Islands Community Health. They are hoping to use their training and experience to assist with this project in different ways. Victoria is keen to help set up a community health education programme. Simon will be looking for ways to assist with access to energy.

They ask you to pray for them, in particular for:

- We are packing up all our things and leaving Leighton Buzzard at the end of the month. Pray as we say our goodbyes and that we'll finish up everything well.
- Pray for homeschooling, which starts in January as Tabitha will not return to school.
- Pray as Tabitha recovers from surgery. She will have had a birthmark on her mouth removed on the 29<sup>th</sup> December.
- We will all be having travel vaccines throughout January. Pray that the children will tolerate these well.
- Pray for us through the final week of January, going into February, when we will be staying with Simon's parents and preparing for the final stages of our journey to Tanzania.

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## Please keep these concerns in your daily prayers...

In January, at the beginning of a new year, we would appreciate it if you would pray with us for the children of our missionaries. Where the children are mentioned, their name is highlighted in bold. Please pray for them.

- 1 El Mission (USA):** The Copseys are returning to Mindano this month to reconnect with their mission team and prepare financial and mission activities reports on for the last calendar quarter of 2016.
- 2 Brazil:** Tarcísio Porto is starting official talks with the Coração de Jesus Baptist Church for a possible partnership. Please pray for the discussions.  
**Philippines:** Please pray for all our guests coming to stay at the guest house at the beginning of the year!
- 3 Canada:** Paul and Helen Jones, currently on furlough, are delighted to be so close to their son Graham and his wife Molly, and their daughter Merjiam and and husband Rob Volpe. Pray for many good conversations and opportunities to see one another and catch up before Paul and Helen return to Malawi on January 30<sup>th</sup>. This coming April is going to be exciting for everyone and, particularly, Graham and Molly as they look forward to having their first child! Pray for God's preparation of this young family!
- 4 Tanzania: Amisadai and Louisa** go back to school today. They are asking for prayer for their witness to their school friends who are not Christians.
- 5 Tanzania:** Praise God for **Bethany** Wingfield's time at the Consolata Nursery School in which she integrated brilliantly with Tanzanian children and learned lots of Swahili! We praise God for answering our prayers about her speech, from the amount she talks now you wouldn't know that she had a problem. Now Bethany will join her brothers **Ben** and **Sam** (and the VanWoerdens) at Iringa International School; pray for a good transition for her.
- 6 Tanzania: Lara, Talia, Ezero and Aniya** VanWoerden are also starting a new term at Iringa International School. Pray that God would use them to show his love to many students and teachers at the school who don't know Jesus.
- 7 United Kingdom:** Dave and Tricia Rollett are fundraising and making preparations for their move to Iringa, Tanzania early this year. Please pray for them and their son, **Titus**.
- 8 South Africa: Danielle, Hudson and Nate** Sayers are living with their parents Don and Rachel in Fish Hoek in the Western Cape. Please pray for them.
- 9 Brazil:** Praise God for the Terena Bible School as they are starting another school year.

- 10 Tanzania:** Tim is travelling to Dodoma for the annual Tanzania Assemblies of God leadership meeting. Pray for the leadership, for the new bishops elected in the summer.
- 11 Philippines:** We start another season of Awana. Pray that we might get the same number of children, or more.
- 12 Haiti:** Please pray for Martinez and Emma Jovin, their health and the work they are doing in Haiti.
- 13 United Kingdom:** Sue Fallon is travelling to Uganda today. She is arriving back in the UK on 22 January. Pray for safe travels.  
**Uganda:** The team in Pader is looking forward to Sue's visit to Uganda. Pray for journey mercies, good discussions, and mutual encouragement.
- 14 Tanzania:** Joel and Samantha Newby, and their daughter **Hephzibah**, return from the States mid-January and will begin working with the Mongers in Mwanza.
- 15 Tanzania:** We officially start the 'Imarika' project this month. Pray for our team and especially that the churches we seek to mobilise will truly understand their role in caring for creation and serving the community, through the Biblical teaching.
- 16 Malawi: Judah** Forsythe, whose parents David and Alyssa are working in Malawi.
- 17 Philippines:** Please pray for the church plant in Bongabon, Nueva Ecija; that the former New People's Army will truly respond to their new faith in Christ, that they will grow in grace in their knowledge of their new faith in Christ!
- 18 Uganda:** We welcome your prayers for the annual planning for this year. These projects are ongoing in Pader: CHE, Jesus Film coupled with discipleship training (about 6 communities to be reached this month!), girls' menstrual hygiene (aka Pads Ministry), school discipleship ministry, Thursday morning radio devotions, teaching at Bishop Lee college, and mercy ministry to the deaf.
- 19 Tanzania:** Please pray for the farmers involved in the Mwanza Agricultural Project. Pray for good rains and for the crops to grow well.
- 20 Brazil:** 84 children and their families were assisted by the Propac Day Care Center last year. Please pray for them as we start a new year together.
- 21 Philippines:** We are hosting a fundraising event in the Seychelles today with Dr Aaron Alfred Lee, a world renowned keyboardist who also plays the pipe organ .

- 22 Canada:** Paul and Anita Bertrand are gearing up to have both their adult children come and “hang out” with them in Uganda. Cherry Ann will have arrived first and returned to Canada at the turn of the new year. Michael will arrive in Uganda on January 26. Pray for a great time together and cherished memories to take with them when they need to say goodbye to one another!
- 23 Uganda: Elias** Botting, who is in the process of being adopted by Mike and Marianne. They live in Pader, Northern Uganda.
- 24 Tanzania:** Louisa Monger is travelling with her Year 6 class to the Serengeti for three days! Pray for safety and fun and opportunities to share God’s love with her friends!
- 25 Philippines:** We appreciate your prayers for the prospective CHE Coordinator; that she will follow up on her application to come to ERRP.
- 26 Canada:** We are grateful for our four adult children T.J, Mitch, Jessie and Wil. They have been with us through innumerable loving, heart-warming experiences as well as the many twists and turns of living in Canada these past 7½ years and the previous 12 years in Malawi. Family life has been rich! May T.J., Mitch, Jessie and Wil be increasingly convinced of their Heavenly Father’s wise providence, loving care and presence as Lorilee and Scott move forward, preparing to move to and live in Mozambique in 2018 (God willing).
- 27 United Kingdom:** The EIUK Board is meeting today in London. Please pray for a fruitful meeting.
- 28 Uganda:** Paul and Anita Bertrand are beginning to sell personal items, including a vehicle, in preparation for relocating to South East Asia. Pray for buyers and that our transition out of Uganda will be smooth.
- 29 United Kingdom:** Simon and Victoria Ewing plan to leave the UK in the beginning of February to work in Tanzania. Pray for their children **Tabitha** and **Reuben**.
- 30 Uganda:** The Pads Ministry is planned to start again in February with the start of the new school year. About £3,500 per term is needed to keep our small team busy, that equates to about 1,500 girls. Please pray for provision of those funds and for safety in travelling, health and protection from other setbacks. And that the Lord would be glorified in this ministry.
- 31 United Kingdom:** The EIUK Conference and AGM is taking place in City Temple, London on Saturday 4 February. Please pray for the preparations being made to make this an informative, enjoyable meeting of friends and supporters of EIUK.