



the Emmanuel Connection

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Focus on: Dave and Tricia Rollett



Our family will be joining the Emmanuel International team serving in Iringa, Tanzania. Cross-cultural mission has been on our hearts for many years; we've had short-term experience, trained for mission, served cross-culturally in the UK and now we are excited to be heading out to serve and learn alongside the Wingfields, the VanWoerdens and local Tanzanian workers.

Dave visited Iringa in the autumn and came back inspired by the work that is being done in the region and feeling like there was a 'Rollett-shaped' space for us to fit into. Dave will be working alongside local pastors helping them develop holistic mission to their communities, and Tricia will be helping with project administration and communications, and training local staff to run projects.

We've been impressed by the vision, values and approaches of Emmanuel International and feel privileged to have this opportunity; it feels like we are joining a big extended family, not just an organisation!

We are hoping to leave at the end of February and we would appreciate your prayers as we continue our support raising and make preparations to leave the UK and set up our home in Tanzania.

Please keep these concerns in your daily prayers...

- 1 EI Mission (USA):** Joel and Samantha Newby (and daughter Hephzibah) have completed their US sojourn and returned to Tanzania in January. Please pray for them as they start working with Tim and Rachel Monger.
- 2 Brazil:** Tarcísio Porto had to undergo two surgeries to remove a kidney stone since the end of December 2016. Please pray for him as he recovers.
Philippines: Alex and Rosie Pacis are travelling to and from the Philippines this month and would appreciate your prayers.
- 3 Tanzania:** Please pray for Amisadai's health and for healing. Pray for wisdom for us (Tim and Rachel) and doctors as we work at getting to the bottom of what the problem is.
Canada: The EIC finance office would appreciate your prayers as they prepare to meet tax receipt deadlines for faithful donors who gave to support EI projects around the world, EIC staff here in Canada and those serving overseas.
- 4 United Kingdom:** The EIUK Annual Conference and AGM 2017 is taking place today. Please pray for safe travels for everyone attending and a fruitful time together as we share about EI's work.
- 5 Tanzania:** Rachel Monger will be travelling tomorrow to Arusha, with Peter and Ester, for the ECHO Agricultural Conference from 6 to 10 February. They are looking forward to learning a lot and meeting with people! Please also pray for Tim managing things at home with the girls.
- 6 Tanzania:** The Ewing family will be arriving in Iringa today. Pray for orientation and language study. Please also pray for Tabitha and Reuben as they adapt to their new home.
- 7 Uganda:** Pads: The school term started yesterday but enrolment and general settling down will take this week and maybe more. Please pray that we can identify and visit the schools on the list as early as possible, so we can fit as many visits as possible in the term. Please also pray that the pads manufacturing and buying of knickers and other odds and ends will go smoothly. We praise God for good funding for this term. Please pray for Andy Sharpe as he continues to look for funds.
- 8 Tanzania:** There is drought in Tanzania. Please pray for God's provision and for the Conservation Agriculture Project in this.
- 9 Tanzania:** This month we expect the community to start digging a trench for the gravity main pipe for the new water project in Lupembelwasenga village.

- 10 Uganda:** The Bishop Lee Theological College is in the first semester of the year. Please pray that things go smoothly as, this year, we also have a new principal and a new subject to incorporate.
- 11 Brazil:** Pray for PROPAC Daycare Center as they are discussing the plans for 2017.
- 12 Uganda:** Tom Edom would like to find a way of re-establishing regular visits to the Deaf children in Paipir school. Please pray for wisdom, since fitting in around all the school activities has proved tricky in the past.
- 13 Tanzania:** Amisadai and Louisa have a week half term! Please pray for a time of rest at home for us (Mongers) as a family.
- Canada:** Please pray for Scott and Lorilee who are part of the coordinating team that are hosting an intensive version of the Perspectives course to be held at a well-known downtown Presbyterian church February 17 - 24. Pray that the team will be given creative ways to weave themes generated by the course and other themes relevant and helpful for God to move.
- 14 United Kingdom:** Martin Carr, EIUK Board Member, is in Uganda (from 25 February until 24 March) on a personal visit but will also visit EI staff in Northern Uganda. Please pray for safe travels and a good time in Pader.
- 15 EI Mission (USA):** Ken and Ruth Copsey have returned to Mindanao, Philippines. They had an extended furlough in Canada and the US, and were able to contact and update many of their donor churches and individual donors. Please pray for them as they resume their work.
- 16 Tanzania:** In the Imarika project this month we will be doing mobilisation training with local churches and community leaders, VICOBA (savings and loans groups) training and planting trees from the nursery in Lyamungwe into the ground.
- 17 Uganda:** February and March are key months for showing the Jesus film, since it is dry season and we don't need to worry about the rain. It is also a key time for the Bible study groups to start, since in our experience any delay in implementing makes it much more difficult.
- Canada:** The Youth Alpha team led by Wil MacLean and supported by Scott and Lorilee will be travelling up to a First Nation community again February 17 for the weekend to be with their youth friends there. Episode 4 of the Youth Alpha series is on Faith: How can I have Faith? Please pray that the hearts of these youth to be increasingly captivated by the Son so that they desire to put faith in Him and follow.
- 18 Malawi:** Paul and Helen Jones have returned from their furlough in January. Please pray for them and the work they do in Malawi.

- 19 United Kingdom:** Dave and Tricia Rollett's sending church is holding a Commissioning Service for them today. Please pray for the family in the next weeks.
- 20 International:** We are still looking for an International Director. Please pray that the right person will respond to this call.
- 21 Uganda:** Tom Edom requires wisdom as he plans for this year's Deaf ministry with minimal funds and as he thinks about how to leave the ministry at the end of the year.
- Philippines:** We hope that we will be able to send at least 2 youth leaders to the Awana Seminar on February 21-24. Please pray that there will be funds to support it as we'll need at least ₱3500 for each one.
- 22 South Africa:** Don and Rachel Sayers will appreciate your prayers for their work and their plans for this year.
- Philippines:** Please pray that we'll finish the 2016 Annual Report.
- 23 EI Mission (USA):** A US audit firm will be processing and filing our annual financial reports and US tax returns. Pray for this to go smoothly and quickly.
- 24 Uganda:** Please pray for the Deaf in Pader: for Charles and Grace, that their land issue will be resolved in their favour (without Charles' brothers selling the land from under them), and for Bosco and Betty, who have barely survived out in their village with hard times and poor harvests and need to get established and prosper if they are not to loose heart and drift back to town.
- 25 United Kingdom:** This weekend Sue Fallon is leading an orientation weekend for the short term summer team from Emmanuel Stoughton Church, going to Tanzania in the beginning of April.
- 26 Brazil:** Praise God for the interest of several people to attend the Terena Bible School this year.
- 27 Philippines:** Shem and Fleur Catanus's church has an evangelism program that includes several groups in 2017. This month please pray for the Women's Group, the Men's Group and the Young Couple's Group. Please pray for each group and each person as they get involved in the project, through offering Bible study groups and to individual partners.
- 28 Haiti:** Please pray for Martinez and Emma Jovin and the work they do in Haiti, particularly the rebuilding that still continues after the earthquake in 2010.