



the Emmanuel Connection

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Focus on: John Naudé



My name is John Naudé and I live in Malawi with my 12 year old son Samuel. Before coming to Malawi in 2012, I was a Vicar of a church in the southern part of the UK, and my interests were mainly wheelchair basketball (which I had played for many years), oil painting (more enthusiasm than talent) and reading.

I work here in Malawi with the Evangelical Baptist Church of Malawi as their Academic Dean and teacher at their Bible College in Liwonde. The problem of personal integrity as a Christian is a real issue here, as I am sure it is in many

parts of the world. Whilst I teach various theological and doctrinal subjects, my biggest aim within that teaching is to make it relevant to their lives and to encourage them to apply it in their own relationship with Christ; to try and create the desire to allow Jesus' transformational power to bring change to them and those they minister to. I love the privilege of teaching and seeing Christ at work in these amazing student pastors.

John and Samuel are returning to the UK in March, after 3½ years of working with Emmanuel International Malawi. He will take on the role of Assistant Pastor at a church in West Sussex.



Please keep these concerns in your daily prayers...

- 1 Tanzania:** Andrew will be joining the Mongers for a week (from 1 to 8 March), also looking at the various things going on in Mwanza. Pray for a productive and fruitful time and for Miriam and the children back home in Iringa while he is away.
- 2 Malawi:** Times are very difficult with food shortage and rocketing prices. Please pray for the Malawi staff, that God will protect them from temptation and that He will protect them on the roads in this very busy time of year.
- 3 Brazil:** Praise the Lord for the beginning of activities in the new Águas Formosas Day Care Center building. More than 60 children are coming on a daily basis now. Computer and Music classes have already started.
- 4 Uganda:** Mike and Marianne Botting are returning to Uganda on March 4th. They will travel to Pader about a week later. Pray for safe travels, for a smooth process for work permit renewal and also as they resettle in Pader.
- 5 Philippines:** Those who successfully finished the Primary Health Care Training will graduate today.
Canada: The Springvale Baptist Team visited and worked in Haiti in February. Pray that seeds sown in the hearts of the team members will produce long term fruit for Kingdom purposes, both locally and globally.
- 6 Tanzania:** Please pray for the beekeeping and agricultural projects: for bees to colonise the hives, for harvesting of the crops and for good relationships and cooperation in the project groups.
- 7 South Africa:** Our church is continuing preparations for Denver Solomon and family to send them to Master's Seminary in California for 3 years. We are blessed by this opportunity to further equip Denver and are grateful for the sponsorship he's received to complete his studies. We look forward to also receiving Dave and Luci from Roosevelt, California to help fill Denver's shoes while he is away. Dave and Luci are expecting their first child before they arrive so this will be a huge change for them! Pray that they will adjust well to their life in South Africa.
- 8 Philippines:** A ERRP (EI in Philippines) team will visit a new tribal village in Sultan Kudarat where we have a new church partnership. Pray as we hike to see a spring for a possible water development project among the Tiduray tribe. Pray for an encouraging time with the villagers there.
- 9 Uganda:** We are thankful that the election in February went off without any significant violence. Please pray for the renewed government, that it will be able to do its job well and free itself from charges of corruption.
- 10 Canada:** Rose Apilado is working alongside the EBCM to continue to develop the primary school. Pray for her and the two Canadian volunteer teachers from Nova Scotia who have also been helping at the school.

- 11 Tanzania:** We are moving forward with forming the water users association for the Ihomasa water project. Pray that we can get all the various legal steps completed and that the association will be fully empowered to run their water supply sustainably.
- 12 Brazil:** Emmanuel Brazil General Assembly is scheduled for March 12th.
Tanzania: Amisadai is leaving today to go on a four-day school trip to Ngorogoro Crater. Pray for a safe, healthy and fun time for her!
- 13 Uganda:** The Bishop Lee Lay Reader term is underway (February 12th to March 25th). Pray that Rev Patrick will be able to balance teaching at the college and his duties as the ministry coordinator for CHE.
- 14 Malawi:** Several proposals are going out for both of our partner churches: irrigation for Word of Grace and a Printing Press system for EBCM. Pray for God's will in both of these opportunities.
- 15 Haiti:** Please pray for the ongoing ministry that Pastor Martinez and Emma oversee.
Canada: Pray for favour with the local government authorities who authorize the number of summer students we can hire. We are submitting three applications, including one for a Syrian high school or university student who needs to find their feet in the employment world in Canada. We look forward to this opportunity, God willing!
- 16 Brazil:** The new school year is beginning at the Terena Bible School. We would very much appreciate your prayers for the students.
Canada: As part of mobilizing youth for mission, Scott and Lorilee will be the point people for this year's M'Chigeeng First Nation short term mission team. Team selection is beginning this month; pray for wisdom and discernment.
- 17 Philippines:** The Northview congregation of Kairos will start its house church in March. Pray that the home owners we contact will be enthusiastic in joining our group here at Northview 1.
- 18 Tanzania:** The Mongers travel back to the UK today to be with Tim's dad and the family for four weeks. Pray for safe travels, strength for Tim's dad and for special times together.
- 19 Philippines:** The Awana kids meetings take place on Saturdays. Pray that the children will be disciplined properly.
- 20 Uganda:** We praise God that we have funds enough for 10 to 14 schools in the Pads Ministry, but we need more funds very soon if we are not to interrupt our process of buying, making and distributing pads and pants to school girls.
- 21 United Kingdom:** Bernard Lane, an EIUK board member, is being licensed today to take up the role of Team Vicar at a church near Exeter. Sue and Linda will be attending this great event.

- 22 Malawi:** John and Samuel Naudé finish their time in Malawi and will leave on March 25. Pray for them as they go through all their goodbyes. We thank God that He has provided work, a home and a school for them on their return to England.
- 23 South Africa:** We have received a pledge to pay for the majority of the 4th safe house costs, so it's just a matter of wading through the murky waters of permit approval. Pray for a speedy application process.
- 24 Tanzania:** The present fuel efficient stoves project in Iringa finishes in August. Pray for wisdom and guidance as we consider strategically how we should move on with environmental work after this.
- 25 Canada:** Many Canadian churches (including church clusters across denominations) have either received or are preparing to receive Syrian families new to Canada. Pray for strong relationships for both Canadians and Syrians to be cemented in these early years and for the love of Christ to be shown in tangible ways to these newcomers.
- 26 Malawi:** Patricia and Esther, two pastors wives, are starting a ministry of using knitted squares from ladies in Canada to make small blankets for children. These 2 ladies will be working with women in the Widows' Welfare groups. The plan is that the widows put them together and give them to needy people in their community as an outreach in Jesus' love.
- 27 Canada:** Scott and Lorilee MacLean continue to make plans to serve in Mozambique. Discussions are underway this month to see if a partnership can be formed whereby they would be sent by EIC in association with other work that is already up and running in the country. Please pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance.
- 28 Uganda:** Tom continues to lobby for good educational opportunities for the Deaf. Please pray for him as he does this, and for sympathetic funders!
- Haiti:** Pastor Martinez would like prayer for more mission teams to come and be part of the work here. He would love to have a team of teachers come and do professional development seminars for about 120 to 150 teachers that are connected with the OEBC church schools.
- 29 Philippines:** A new group is starting out in the CHE seminar. This will last for 5 months. Pray that those who come will be able to cope with the demands of the training and will be able to apply the knowledge in their respective areas.
- 30 South Africa:** The tutors who worked at the safe houses have left and we're looking for someone to help with the older children, who are often a couple years behind after years of missing school before coming to the safe houses.
- Canada:** Praise God for the many unexpected connections that come across El Canada's path, that have potential to bring us short term and long term workers. Pray that we will shepherd these people well, stewarding the history and gifts of these people in a way that is most helpful for those they want to serve.