JUNE

1 “And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people”. Eph 6:18 NIV

2 Critical staffing needs at JAARS: AVI Assist Business Manager, AVI Parts Inventory Bookkeeper, Avionics Tech, CS Events Coordinator, VP of Global Initiatives, Housekeeper, Dir of Human Resources, Environmental Health Safety Coordinator, Dir of Technology & Business Solutions, Videographer/Photographer.

3 The Robinson 44 Helicopter, which served for many years in Cameroon, will arrive soon in Charleston, South Carolina. Pray for smooth customs clearing and safe arrival to JAARS.

4 Michael Currier, new Director of Communications for JAARS, as he completes partnership development before moving to JAARS.

5 The audit of the JAARS facilities and utilities, performed this week by the Missionary Tech Team, will help develop the JAARS Campus Master Plan.

6 Translators working in a language in South Asia are encouraged that people are being influenced by the Gospel—some people pray before meals, attend church and sing worship songs.

7 June 7–8 is JAARS New Manager Orientation. Pray for clear understanding of each person’s role and purpose.

8 The Paratext software development team is working to assemble an 8.1 beta version with new functionality for Bible translators. Pray the software will be reliable, useful, and easy to use.

9 Today is JAARS Day. Pray for this family fun day as guests learn about the need for Bible translation and how JAARS assists to make Bible translation and literacy possible.

10 Please pray for much needed long-term staffing for the MK Station pre-school, which supports families in training or working at JAARS.

11 This week the ICC (Intercultural Communication Course) staff will be completing professional development and spiritual preparation for the ICC course that begins next week.

12 The mission of One-Book, a Canadian Bible translation and literacy organization, is to provide Bible translation, literacy, and Scripture engagement programs for national partners. Pray for their staff as they prepare a multi-province tour of Canada.

13 The full Bible is complete in Arabic script in a language spoken by about 2 million people in West Africa. Thank the Lord for protecting the shipment of the Bibles during the voyage from South Korea to Africa. Pray that plans to develop a smart phone app will be successful so that the people can download the Bible.

14 Of the more than 2,100 languages spoken across the 54 countries that compose Africa, just over 1,050 languages have some form of Scripture. Pray Bible translation will start soon for the Brong people of Ghana who speak the Abron language.

15 JAARS needs more pilots and mechanics for field operations and training. Pray also for the funding needed for training fleet renewal requirements.

16 The Equip program, orientation and training that helps new staff prepare for their Wycliffe ministry, is underway in Orlando.

17 Pray for a full time assistant for Tracy Tooley who oversees CrossVenture and Race4Possible programs.

18 The Aviation Mountain Week off-site training, based out of the Avery County Airport in Spruce Pine, North Carolina, is underway this week. Pray for flying safety.

19 Chaplain John asks for prayer for the constant influx of new workers at JAARS—that they will experience genuine welcome from everyone they encounter.

20 Pray for the new missionaries attending ICC June 20–July 20: for spiritual growth and the increased knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for thriving ministries.

21 Praise God that an illustrated book of Bible stories is ready to distribute to the Even language community of Siberia, Russia. With about 5,600 speakers, those in the Even community are traditionally reindeer herdsmen and hunters. Pray these stories will be well received and speak to the hearts of the people.

22 Pray for protection for Wycliffe/SIL/JAARS people in leadership positions as they can be targets of spiritual attack. “Strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered”. Zechariah 13:7.

23 Medical staff here at JAARS and abroad need prayer for good health and protection from diseases to which they are often exposed.

24 Ask the Lord for wisdom for the leadership of Papua New Guinea Bible Translation Association as they work to establish communication with their teams in the villages. Regular communication is very important for encouragement and prayer for the teams.

25 The Nie family are working on their boat in New Caledonia. Pray that the boat equipment they need arrives safely from Australia so they can complete the work and get underway.

26 Pray guests who attended JAARS Day will remember the needs and seek to become involved in the task of Bible translation.

The Global Education & Care Orientation program, held June 29–July 6, will help new school teachers and education-related staff prepare for their Wycliffe ministry.

Aviation Pre-Field orientees graduate today. Two families will go to Africa with AIM AIR and four families will go to SIL Papua New Guinea.

JAARS Maritime Services asks for prayer for safety during upcoming summer water-safety and land-safety training and activities.

**JULY**

1 What is prayer? It’s not only communication—talking to or with Jesus. It’s not only a relationship with Jesus, it’s participation with God and his work. We’re participating in the divine life.

2 Pray that the young people attending the Wycliffe Caribbean cross-cultural missions camp in Jamaica this week will be open to God’s leading.

3 Today is the last day of reduced registration fees for the Check-IT-Out Summer program. Pray for a good turnout.

4 Praise God for the completion of a Psalm 10 video in a language of the Mediterranean region. A Facebook post of the video received 7.4 million views and 250,000 shares!

5 From Chaplain John—please pray for unity in Christ across JAARS departmental and entity lines, that the love of Christ may be real and evident here among us!

6 A JAARS booth will be staffed at the Arlington Air Show July 6–8 in Washington State. Pray many will drop by and check us out.

7 The JAARS Learning and Development Department is planning for opportunities to help staff grow in spiritual vitality for service at JAARS as well as globally. Pray for wisdom.

8 Please pray for new initiatives for Scripture engagement in Bangladesh.

9 This week the Kate & Mack Summer Program (Orlando) will teach kids grades K–5 about the world through international crafts, games, snacks and more.

10 Praise God! A large shipment of Bibles in a West Asian language has been released after a nine-month detention in customs. The Bibles are now available in bookshops and other agencies in the region.

11 Wycliffe Malaysia plans to start Oral Bible Storying projects this year, hoping to bring the stories and truths of Scripture to life in other than written form.

12 After more than a decade of work, the Northern Thai (6,000,000) New Testament was dedicated on February 2, 2018! Pray more Northern Thai speakers will draw nearer to God as they study Scriptures in the language they understand best.

13 Pray for a Refuge 139 program in Germany July 15–29 to provide meaningful child care for the children of missionaries who are working in sensitive contexts in Eurasia, so they may attend important meetings.

14 Ask God to send field-experienced personnel to serve on the JAARS Aviation Training staff—a critical need as staff retire, return to the field or take on other responsibilities.

15 Jo Shetler and Amy West are leading two Culture meets Scripture workshops in South East Asia. Pray their material will equip language groups to look at Scripture in a new, powerful way.

16 The Aiwoo Bible translation in Solomon Islands has been stalled for more than 20 years due to health issues in the translation advisor’s family. God opened a door for him to re-engage and continue the work. Give praise!

17 Pray that as we perform familiar tasks, we would depend on God for his power and blessing.


19 The JAARS Purchasing and Shipping department needs an able-bodied, detail-minded person to work alongside Ian McGrigg.

20 Pray for unity and wisdom for the JAARS Board as they meet today.

21 Pray for new staff assigned to Maritime and Land Transportation as they work on partnership development.

22 SIL Language Software Development managers, including Bryan Wussow for the Waxhaw team, will meet July 24–25 in Grand Rapids, Michigan, for planning and prayer. Pray for wisdom to follow God’s steps for them.

23 The 2018 EAA AirVenture in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, is underway this week. Pray for staff as they share how JAARS makes Bible translation possible.

24 Praise God for an individual and two companies who are donating most material and their time and help repair the JAARS runway. This will save JAARS thousands of dollars!

25 Some Sateré people of Brazil are listening to recently recorded 1 John and 1 Peter on MegaVoice audio players. Hearts are changing as they engage with God’s Word in their language.

26 Ann Rodgers and her team are preparing for Passport to Christmas, a program for children ages 6–12, to be held at JAARS December 7–8.

27 The Silk Road Ascent (SRA) project in Asia has made good progress: The book of Hebrews is now drafted and Ephesians is underway this week. Pray for staff as they share how JAARS makes Bible translation possible.

28 JAARS International Aviation Safety will audit the SIL Aviation Department in Papua New Guinea next week. Pray for the safe travel of team members from Minnesota, Alabama, and North Carolina and for effectiveness and encouragement throughout the audit process.

29 Praise God for the growing relationships between our three stateside medical clinics at JAARS, Orlando and Dallas. Pray as they research ways to help overseas medical staff.

30 Explore Bible Translation (Orlando) July 30–August 4 enables people to explore Bible translation and connect with seasoned missionaries who have invested their lives in the Bible translation movement! May God speak to their hearts.

31 The next JAARS Day is August 11. Plan to attend or invite guests—and be in prayer.