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April

- 1 Praise! To respond to the pandemic, the Tuesday Center Meeting programs at JAARS transitioned to a Zoom platform extending our outreach to remote JAARS staff nationally.
- **2** Let us join our hearts in prayers of penitence and gratitude as we remember Jesus' love and sacrifice on our behalf.
- **3** Pray for wisdom regarding pandemic precautions and stamina for the JAARS staff conducting <u>Mission Team</u> and <u>CrossVenture</u> programs this month.
- **4** Christ the Lord is risen today! Alleluia! Pray that those with God's Word in their language would understand deeply the meaning of Jesus' death and resurrection and seek a closer walk with the Lord.
- **5** A JAARS Youth team is participating in a Mission Week program on the JAARS campus, working with Facilities to finish our campus disc golf course.
- **6** Ask the Lord to provide wisdom for those in leadership roles and on the technical support staff who are testing, troubleshooting, and delivering the NetSuite design concept for JAARS.
- **7** Pray for safety and good health for our Museum of the Alphabet staff and visitors as the museum reopens this month.
- **8** Praise! Our partner ACOTBA-SUBO in the Democratic Republic of the Congo recently received New Testaments for the Mono, Ngbandi-Giri, and Pagabete language groups. JAARS helped fund the internet used by their translation teams.
- **9** Pray for the <u>Missions at the Airport</u> team as they travel to Florida to make preparations to represent JAARS at the Sun 'n Fun event next week. Their special needs include housing and handling COVID-19 restrictions.
- **10** As our <u>Learning & Development</u> team prepares and conducts the Compass orientation program for new staff, pray those who are new to JAARS will feel warmly welcomed and well prepared for their service.
- **11** Pray for wisdom and discernment for our Outreach Coordinator in determining which events outside of JAARS to participate in.
- **12** As our Cohort Bravo Fellows finish their Perspectives on the World Christian Movement class, pray they will be open to hear where God is placing them in his mission.
- 13 Many Scripture websites operated in sensitive countries are vulnerable to blocking and incursion. Pray their security measures will be effective.
- **14** Pray for the Third Culture Kids Care and Education staff as they reach out to minister to our children and students who crave community.
- **15** Pray for Brian and Sarah Rickard as they seek to complete all required preparations to join Maritime Services at JAARS by the end of June.

- **16** Pray for the implementation and development of a new service desk for JAARS staff, providing easier management and access to services.
- 17 Ask God to provide much-needed additional staff for our Youth Department and MK Station (the JAARS morning preschool program.)
- **18** Pray for the many newcomers to the JAARS staff as they fill much-needed roles. Special prayer needs are for permanent housing and adjustment to new surroundings.
- **19** Pray for those at JAARS still waiting to return to their overseas assignments: for countries to reopen and for travel arrangements.
- **20** Pray God will provide two much-needed recruiters for the IAARS Aviation staff.
- **21** Our Scripture website media partner plans to conduct 15 virtual and/or in-country website and mobile app building workshops this year. Pray the websites and apps created will lead many to learn about Jesus.
- **22** Last year, many translation teams had to postpone New Testament dedications due to COVID-19. Pray for God's guidance as they wait patiently, hoping to conduct their dedications in the new year.
- 23 Pray for the JAARS Missions at the Airport team as they complete preparations for their participation at the Smoketown Aviation and Technology Fair in Pennsylvania on May 1 and 2.
- **24** Pray for the Central African Republic, currently undergoing much violent terrorist activity and civil disruption. Ask God to provide the peace that only Jesus can give, that rebels might come to know Jesus, and that Bible translators and their families will be protected and able to continue their work.
- **25** Pray for the team from Salem Evangelical Reformed Church as they serve on the JAARS campus this week. May they feel welcomed and appreciated in their work.
- **26** As our Missions at the Airport team and helicopter visit schools in Lebanon and Lancaster Counties in Pennsylvania this week, pray for effective communication of the JAARS story and mission challenge to students.
- **27** Join our Partnership Ministry team in praying for a donated RV they can use to visit partners and events like Missions at the Airport.
- **28** Pray that our Learning & Development and Fellows staff will have wisdom and discernment as they provide training and support for staff members who mentor the young people who join JAARS to serve in the 11-month Fellows program.
- **29** Ask God to use the Scripture websites that our partner helped the Kituba and Yaka teams create in the Republic of the Congo to draw many people to himself.

30 Pray for open hearts and active engagement for the Victory Christian Academy team attending CrossVenture|Explore this weekend.

May

- 1 The JAARS <u>Missions at the Airport</u> team is at the Smoketown Aviation and Technology Fair in Pennsylvania today and tomorrow. Pray for safety as the team gives aircraft rides and for those presenting at the mission aviation forums on Saturday and Sunday.
- **2** Pray for our <u>CrossVenture</u>|<u>Coastal</u> team as they launch a new experience to engage with youth this summer!
- **3** Pray for the JAARS <u>CrossVenture</u> 2021 summer program: for encouragement for the staff and creativity in recruitment of participants.
- **4** Pray for Third Culture Kid & Education Fellows Emily Roth and Danielle Townsend—for their service to be a time of great spiritual and professional growth.
- **5** Pray for the <u>Iyansi Bible Translation team</u> working in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Waxhaw, North Carolina, as they translate the Scriptures into Iyansi, checking and testing them, and partnering with the people in the rural homeland as well as diaspora.
- **6** Pray for the Holy Spirit to convey new NetSuite practices through training, so that—throughout our software transitions—JAARS staff might learn to effectively use the systems as designed.
- **7** Praise God for the return of Geoff Russell who is serving as our Recurrent Flight Training Coordinator in Aviation.
- **8** Pray for the <u>Learning & Development Team</u> as they seek direction on which outside opportunities to say "yes" to, and for the capacity to serve well in those partnerships.
- **9** This year, the SIL Africa ICT Services team, a close JAARS partner, has 25 projects involving information technology issues at regional centers across Africa for SIL and the Wycliffe Global Alliance. Pray for wisdom in organizing the resources and skills to do each project.
- **10** Pray for our Tuesday Center Meeting staffing and for wisdom as they choose presentations to inform, inspire, and challenge the weekly audience.
- 11 JAARS Day is just a few days away! Pray for final preparations, good weather, and good attendance for the first JAARS Day to be held in over a year!
- **12** Please pray for wisdom for the Learning & Development staff as they orient several new staff to their department and seek to find their best places of service within the team.
- 13 Please pray for high school students who will be signing up for the CrossVenture|Coastal experience and for local churches to partner with us as we plant seeds of maritime mission awareness!
- **14** Pray that our new <u>Vision Flight</u> experience will attract young people interested in mission aviation and excite the next generation about serving as missionary pilots and mechanics!

- **15** Pray for the <u>JAARS Day</u> team as they interact with our visitors. Pray that people would be inspired and encouraged to engage with JAARS.
- **16** Ask God to inspire and encourage the Kingsway Christian School students at JAARS this week for a CrossVenture experience.
- **17** Our Pre-field Orientation trainees have about five weeks left before graduation. Pray for each of them to finish well.
- **18** Praise to the Lord who provides beyond our imagination. Since February 2020, God has brought 108 new volunteers and staff to JAARS, despite the huge challenges of COVID-19.
- **19** Many people from JAARS and other missions are looking for local rental housing. Pray that God will enable each family to find the accommodations they need.
- **20** Pray for the Cohort Charlie and Delta <u>Fellows</u> and their coaches as they build community through their "Floating Down the Catawba" outing this month.
- **21** Pray for staff and participants at this week's first CrossVenture|Coastal event. Pray for safety, good weather, and inspiration for each one to continue exploring maritime missions.
- **22** Pray for Richard Young as he carries a large load as an IT support consultant for Africa.
- **23** We praise the Lord for the people he is sending to join us in the unique ministry of JAARS and for ongoing efforts in leadership development.
- **24** Give thanks for Scripture resources in over 1,400 languages, now available at <u>ScriptureEarth.org</u>.
- **25** Pray for wisdom and direction as JAARS implements new processes and methods of engaging the Church.
- **26** Pray for good connections with people at the NC Thrive Homeschool Conference this weekend. Pray that parents would see JAARS as a great resource for their kids to explore careers and get involved through praying, giving, and going!
- **27** Richard Young, Todd Jones, and Bill Mayes launched an IT Connect Online Training Series on May 27, 2020. Since then 23 webinars in English and French have been held for IT specialists all over Africa.
- **28** Pray for the Missions at the Airport team and the helicopter crew as they offer rides at America's Keswick Conference Center. This is the 24th year for JAARS to be the mission presenter for Keswick's kick-off weekend for their summer season.
- **29** Pray for Cohort Bravo <u>Fellows</u> as they are wrapping up their 11-month fellowship. Be in prayer with them as they navigate their next steps.
- **30** Praise the Lord for our Technology Business Service team members who are replacing older technology and creating a more reliable infrastructure across the JAARS campus.
- **31** As we remember our fallen heroes today, let us ponder: "This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:12–13 NASB).