



From Jimmy Martin, General Secretary

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Thank you for praying for all **IBC pastors, wives, and numerous lay leaders** who took part in the **European Ministry Leadership Conference in Larnaca, Cyprus, 9-13 March**. Our theme was, “Leading from the Overflow,” with **Richard Blackaby** as the featured speaker. We also had breakout sessions on numerous ministry topics. Participants left challenged and equipped to serve as more effective leaders in their churches.

Thanks also for praying for the **IBC Multiply Conference, 13 March**, also in **Larnaca, Cyprus**. The conference was a “dedicated day of conversations focused on church multiplication.” The specific focus was, “Reproducing Disciples.” Pray for all participants as they return to reproduce disciples in their churches.

Day Church to Pray For Pastor & Wife, Pastoral Staff

19 Budapest, Hungary Ed & Mindy Tarleton
Pray for Ed and Mindy Tarleton answering the Lord's call to serve at IBCB as of March 1, 2018

Aviano, Italy Barry & Jeannie Cole

20 Milan, Italy Jim & Karen Albright
Naples, Italy Tim & Jacki Faulkner, Danilo Bozza

Birthday this week:
20 Lyle Watson - Tamarindo

21 Rome, Italy David & Cathy Hodgdon
Rome, Italy Chris & Kristan Hendrix, Loren & Alaina Holland

Praise Items:

- 1. God is bringing new people into the church and opening up doors for the good news!*
- 2. God is moving among some of the people and they are opening up for prayer and support.*

Prayer Requests:

- 1. Pray for a treasurer. Our current one is leaving this summer.*
- 2. Pray for the summer as we prepare to reach out to the community.*

22 Eindhoven, Netherlands Gilbert van Bueren

Praise God for the blessing of Erik Nielsen's ministry to us on March 4, connecting IBC Copenhagen with IBC Eindhoven and at the same time absorbing Erik's teaching on worship. Please pray for spiritual growth in this area for our worship teams and for our church in general.

Sunday 18 March we plan to start a 2 year program called 'IBC Eindhoven Open Leadership Training'. Please pray for committed participants and for the calling of new leaders.

Hoensbroek, Netherlands David Harsdorf

23 Leidschendam, Netherlands Dave & Gillian Stemmett
Rotterdam, Netherlands Richmond & Esther Ofori-Tawiah

24 Stavanger, Norway David & Scottie Fresch
Panama City, Panama Nate & Jendi Korpi

Praise that our Life Groups are growing. In April we will start 2 women's groups.

Pray for Easter Sunday. For those who will find themselves at LifeBridge for the first time that they would feel welcomed, loved and be encouraged to attend again.

Pray that more people would step-up and volunteer. We are looking to grow our volunteer base over the coming months.

Pray that Nate and Jendi would have wisdom as they lead. Pray that they would lean on Christ for direction and discernment.

25 Azores, Portugal Currently no pastor

Portimao, Portugal David & Joy Borgan

1. We have been blessed at church with lots of winter visitors, especially Canadians, this year. They have been a great encouragement to us and several of them have taken part in services. Please pray that the Lord will also send us more people to join the core of local residents who are here all year long.

2. Pray about a possible course at the soup kitchen during the week one evening. This could be a discussion group, simple Bible study- something to help them come to a personal faith in God. Pray for people to have a hunger to know the Lord for themselves. Pray for wisdom in how to set up this course and for a native speaker to lead it.

PRAY FOR OUR IBC CHURCHES WITHOUT PASTORS:

Germany:

Faith BC Kaiserslautern (John & Lucy Helveston-interim)

Spain:

Calahonda Baptist Church

Switzerland:

IBC Zuerich (Jim & Anne McVicar-interim)

PRAY FOR OUR NEW PASTORS & WIVES:

Ed & Mindy Tarleton (Budapest, Hungary)

Tim & Paola Melton (Madrid, Spain-formerly Associate Pastor, now Senior Pastor)

Chris & Jeanine Carson (Munich, Germany)

Loren & Alaina Holland (Rome, Italy-RIC church plant)

Chris & Kristan Hendrix (Rome, Italy-RIC church plant)

IBC Church Plants:

Vicenza, Italy (Leland & Jenniffer Stephens, onsite preparing to launch Glace Community Church)

Frontline City Church, Kaiserslautern, Germany (Satellite Campus of Frontline Community Church, Ramstein, Germany / Campus Pastor Mike & Jennifer Walk)

Rome International Church, Italy (Chris & Kristan Hendrix, Loren & Alaina Holland - continuation church planters)

Tamarindo Church, Tamarindo, Costa Rica (Church Planters Lyle & Stacy Watson)

LifeBridge International Church, Panama City, Panama (Continuation church planters - Nate and Jendi Korpi)

Upcoming IBC events

4-6 May: Women's Conference, Bratislava, Slovakia
7-12 July: Euroventure youth camp, Grindelwald, Switzerland
22-24 October: Annual Convention Meeting, Madrid, Spain

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Baptist Union of Latvia

Number of churches: 88 / Number of church members: 6 618
President: Peteris Sproģis / Executive Director: Zanna Drunese



Please join with us in prayer:

- pray that people throughout our country would come to know God's amazing love and gift of salvation

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