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# INTERCESSORS ALERT

INFORMING Prayer Partners of God's PROVISION and the NEEDS of Northwest Independent Church Extension

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“PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU; MY PEACE I GIVE TO YOU.  
NOT AS THE WORLD GIVES DO I GIVE TO YOU.  
LET NOT YOUR HEARTS BE TROUBLED,  
NEITHER LET THEM BE AFRAID.” JOHN 14:27

## A Note from the Director

Technology! You either love it or hate it. Moving much more rapidly through the media world has raised a number of feelings for our NICE Missionaries. It can be confusing, frustrating and limited, while at the same time being a useful tool for communicating during the “stay-at-home” mandates. Many of us are learning creative ways to minister. I have reminded our pastors that I understand they are often speaking to an empty room, staring at a bitty-eyed camera, phone or Ipad. However, on the other end a number of folks are seeing them as their Shepherd; still giving leadership and providing some form of worship and teaching of God's Word. We all look forward to a return to some type of physical presence, but meanwhile ministry goes on. Thank you for your prayers on their behalf and for your faithful giving to the ministry of Northwest Independent Church Extension.

**Bob**



## Partner with us in Prayer (urgent requests in red)

**Bob & Judi ALLEN**, W WA Field Director/Hobart Community Church, WA

Praise the Lord for His provision of stable finances for them and their family. Pray for several NICE Missionaries who are struggling financially.

**Jonathan & Pauline BEYER**, Missionary at Large, Puyallup, WA

Pray that those invited would listen to his Sunday messages online, and that his small group would grow.

**Jim & Kathy Cornell**, NICE Associate, Nampa, ID

Pray for Kathy who is undergoing chemotherapy.

**Steve & Celeste DEFORD**, First Baptist Church, Ekalaka, MT

Praise the Lord that ministry has expanded due to going online. Pray for unity among the church body, despite varying opinions on the current crisis.

**Melanie EDWARDS**, Wishkah Valley Community Church, Aberdeen, WA

Pray for Melanie as she finds a new normal following Mark's death Praise the Lord for the comfort He has sent via cards, phone calls and prayer support. If you wish to send a note of encouragement, her address is 4615 Wishkah Rd., Aberdeen, WA 98520.

**Shelley & Dayle GALE**, Sequim Bible Church, WA

Praise the Lord that due to COVID 19 closures, many in the church family now see the need for true fellowship and the purpose of the church. Pray that the doors of the church will be able to open soon.

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**Caleb & Krista HILBERT**, Lewis & Clark Bible Church, Astoria, OR

Praise the Lord for the blessing of a new little one, due the end of November! Pray for good health for Krista and the baby.

**Rob & Ruth MORRIS**, Hobart Community Church, WA

Pray for Ruth who is facing possible gallbladder surgery, and is experiencing extreme pain. Praise the Lord for His enabling grace to figure out ways to minister electronically.

**Stan & Virginia POESCHEL**, Happy Camp Bible Church, CA

Praise the Lord that an 80 year old Happy Camp man, who was in Medford for medical reasons, was found after being lost for two days Pray that God would use this event to bring him to Christ.

**Bob & Katherine RODGERS**, Executive Director, Orting, WA

Praise God their immediate family is healthy and employed during this time. Praise God for the time to begin developing online ministries with the NICE and church families. Pray for wisdom as to when to begin travel when restrictions are raised and how to adjust their schedule of visiting churches.

**Josh & Rebecca SHETLER**, Moscow Bible Church, ID

Pray for a spirit of unity in the body. Praise the Lord they are able to meet together again.

**Nate & Muriel SHINN**, Ashland Bible Church, OR

Pray that they would be able to minister creatively during this time.

**Roy & Elvia Sprague**, Minister at Large, Milton, WA

Praise the Lord for the ability to continue remote contact with the weekly Lacey, WA Bible study group. They are reading through specific portions of Scripture and memorizing verses together. Praise the Lord that Roy has been able to complete a two volume series of 20 sermons; and is now writing a book of 99 stories and illustrations. Pray that these books would be a blessing and help to those reading them.

**Ed & Linda STUDDTMANN**, New Life Bible Church, Long Creek, OR

Praise the Lord that the port surgery went well, and he has begun nine weeks of chemotherapy. Praise the Lord that many of their medical bills are being covered. Pray for strength and clarity of mind to minister and preach.

**Idaho and Washington NICE Project Churches**

Praise the Lord a number of our churches are able to meet again...some with a drive-in church format, some in their building with social distancing.

**NICE Leadership**

Praise the Lord that despite restrictions, NICE Ministry continues! Our Executive Director, Bob Rodgers is sending communication to all NICE Missionaries via email, as well as conducting several mentoring and office staff meetings via Zoom, and the NICE Board of Directors met last week via Zoom for an extended time of prayer for the NICE Family.

**These are only a few of our missionaries. Please pray for the entire Mission Family:**


To use this time to be salt and light in the world, and for their ministries to continue effectively.

To display calm trust in the Lord while still taking wise precautions and obeying government authorities.

For God to provide for unexpected needs and financial strain.

For a commitment to unity and grace among church families that have differing opinions on the COVID 19 crisis.

For eyes to see all that God is accomplishing through this unique time period.

If you need to contact the NICE Office, please email or call and leave a message. Emails and phone messages are checked throughout the week. Your giving to NICE will continue to be processed and disbursed. Please allow extra time for processing your receipt. 



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**APRIL General Fund\* Report:**

Income:	\$ 11,292.70
Expense:	\$ 11,928.41
Difference:	\$ - 635.71
Year-to-date:	\$ -7,279.92

\*General Fund = Mission Headquarters Operating Expenses

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Consider supporting one of the missionaries listed, or the NICE General Fund.

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