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God at Work Through Northwest Independent Church Extension

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PRAYER: The Greatest Ministry!

Years ago, when someone stated, "All I can do now is pray," Oswald Chambers replied, "**That's the greatest thing you can do!**" In the work of planting and establishing churches, the prayers of NICE's leaders, and your prayers are vital to the continued outreach of the Gospel. Knowing this, we recently asked three of the Mission's leaders the question, "What is your prayer for NICE as we begin this year, 2025?"

in advance for us to do, united in vision and clear on our steps forward so that NICE may continue to reach the Northwest in order to reach the world. In this, may His servants at NICE be equipped, may His church in the Northwest be built, and may His name be honored!"

"Every great movement of God can be traced to a kneeling figure." D.L. Moody

Bob Rodgers Executive Director, NICE

"As I consider the year before us, it is my sincere prayer for strong, healthy ministries throughout the Northwest lived out by selfless servants who are fully committed to the Gospel. I am also praying diligently for humility and unified spirits in our churches that reflect a God-given passion for holiness, involvement in seeing souls saved, and God's saints equipped for ministry. My prayer before the Throne of Grace is for the work of the Spirit to continue to complete the work He has started, for a close, daily union of fellowship and worship with God, and that He will give all in the Mission an eager expectation and hope in the return of Christ our Redeemer."



Charlie Olson Board President, NICE

"It has been my privilege to serve for many years on the board of NICE, and this past year my role has been President of the Board. We as a board have discussed many times how 2025 is going to be a year of transition for the mission, and that is the focus of my prayer for NICE this year. 2025 will see the closure of Bob's time as the Executive Director. I pray that he and Katherine would find joy and satisfaction in the service they have rendered to God and His church through that role. This year will also see Robert and Bethany Zink step into new responsibilities with the mission. My prayer is that they would have peace as they follow the Lord's leading and trust His provision. The mission office staff and field missionaries will also face transitions, both in the administrative aspect of the mission and their own personal ministries. I pray that these servants of God may be able to rejoice like Abraham's servant, who said, "I being in the way, the Lord led me..." (Gen 24:27 KJV). May we all be found "in the way" which God has directed, so that we might see His blessing and provision and respond with praise to His glory."



"Prayer lays hold of God's plan and becomes the link between His will and its accomplishment on earth."

Elisabeth Elliot



Robert Zink Assistant Director, NICE

"The work that lies before us in 2025 is much, as it is every year. My prayer is that our work would prioritize the Lord's will. May we submit our plans to His counsel and move forward in the various responsibilities He has prepared

"Pray for me more than you do!" Bill Cross

Join with the NICE Leadership, in asking and believing God to "do exceeding, abundantly, above all that we ask or think" through NICE 2025!

So then neither he who plants is anything, nor he who waters, but God who gives the increase. I Corinthians 3:7