



Prayer Letter of August & September 2026

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"Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.
This is the Lord; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation" Isa. 25:9

Dear Prayer Partners,

The QT passage in the book of Isaiah contains many messages of judgment. God's judgment brings curses and even death, yet within that judgment we hear His deep longing for His children to repent and return to Him. Thus, even His judgment becomes a message of restoration. Through missions, we continue to witness the joy of His salvation and the precious stories of the remnant returning to the Lord.

Recently, we received shocking news from the border region between China and Nepal, where melting glaciers caused massive flooding. In response, OM East Asia has urgently initiated a crisis relief project. You all can participate to help the relief here: <https://give.omusa.org/om/donate?sc=&fund-id=10333>.

Nepal is one of the regions in East Asia where the gospel has spread widely, with over 300 OM local workers serving faithfully. The flood-affected area is also where revival once took place, and where OM teams have actively engaged in evangelism and Bible distribution. Sadly, more than five churches in that region were swept away by the floodwaters.

We are currently discussing with OM Nepal and local leaders how we can provide long-term support and restoration for the affected communities. Please pray that the Lord's goodness and lovingkindness will be revealed through the hands that reach out to help those who have lost their families and everything they possessed. Pray for the flood-affected people and communities that the Lord restores in the midst of deep sorrow.

OM Laos has been without a field leader since the previous leader completed her term, so Esther and I have been supporting the ministry alongside the local leaders. After praying for a better way to help the field, we asked Lynch, the OM Thailand Field Leader, to oversee Laos until a new leader is raised, and she gladly agreed. We then met with the Laos leadership team, and everyone felt encouraged, noting that sharing the same language and culture would create strong synergy. We are grateful for this clear answer to prayer.

From August 1–4, we visited Vientiane, Laos, to meet the leadership team and explore the ministries. OM Laos operates a coffee shop that serves as both a discipleship space and a self-sustaining ministry. Six young girls live and work in the OM Laos discipleship center. We saw that many of the appliances—refrigerators, coffee machines, ovens—were very old and needed replacement, but through a generous gift, we were able to purchase new equipment. We are thankful for God's provision.

Young girls serving in this coffee shop are growing in faith and ministry skills through discipleship training. Please pray that they continue to grow as faithful workers of the Lord and become instruments for the gospel in Laos. Also pray that OM Laos will



(from left to right) Farewell party for the previous field leader, Jaime, with the OM Laos team and leadership team, Starbooks coffee shop, Boaz, a Thai missionary sent out by Bangkok Immanuel church serving in Laos, old refrigerators in coffee shop

The OM Crisis Management Training, held in Bangkok from August 15–20, brought together 26 East Asia and international leaders for an intensive, hands-on program where participants practiced responding to realistic crisis scenarios, forming a team quickly within the golden hour, initiating early actions, making rapid decisions, and communicating clearly under pressure. Through field-based drills, they learned to identify priority information, make sound decisions in stressful situations, and strengthen team communication, reaffirming that effective crisis response comes from preparation, practice, and strong leadership.



Woody is currently serving as the chair of the committee responsible for selecting the next OM Nepal director, and all interviews will be completed by the end of September, after which the final decision will be made. We ask for your prayers that the committee will make the right decision with wisdom and discernment.

Esther is also serving faithfully through weekly coaching meetings and Scripture-and-prayer gatherings. In October, she will teach a coaching session at the East Asia Leaders Meeting, and in November she will lead a coaching and mentoring seminar in Bangkok, making this a very busy

For our family, our granddaughter Liana is growing healthy and strong, and our daughter Irene is in a meaningful relationship with a godly brother, for which we are grateful. We miss them very much. In this season filled with many reasons for thanksgiving, we deeply appreciate your prayers and partnership. May you continue to walk in the Lord's victory.

Blessings,

Woody & Esther Kim

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