20Use one of these prayer guides for personal or group prayer times:

- -Operation World, or for children Window on the World (Gabriel, 2001)
- -Global Prayer Digest monthly (USCWM) for daily email version: send message to <subscribe-brigadapubs-globalprayerdiges@xc.org>
- -Prayer Guide Cards, Booklets and Videos on Unreached Peoples (from Caleb Resources)

&>Get on some missionaries' prayer letter lists. Get addresses from your church and write them, saying that you will pray for them and could they please send you their prayer letters.



Go Overseas

20Take a short-term mission trip. Ask your Church, denominational mission board or college Christian fellowship for information on Summer mission projects. Don't be intimidated by the money you have to raise; God will provide if He wants you to go. (For more info, check out ShortTermMissions.com).

&Prepare to be a career missionary. Start out by understanding your physical and spiritual gifts; ask the Lord for direction concerning where to go. Get advice from godly friends. If your church mission sending board can use your gifts and direction, GO; if not, get advice. (Study through Hoke & Taylor's book, *Send Me: Your Journey to the Nations*)

80"Adopt" an unreached people. Register your adoption with Adopt-A-People.org Use your resources to get them evangelized. CR's video *Ordinary People, Extraordinary Love,* is a must-see on people-group adoption. Or similarly "adopt" a 3rd-world child through *Compassion International, www.Compassion.com.*

Solinvestigate "tentmaking." Use a professional skill in business overseas, while helping a local church. *Check out www.TentamakersInternational.info & Global Opportunities (www.globalopps.org) to get started.*

Support Others

26.7 Tithe! (Gen. 14:18-20, Lev. 27:30, Deut. 14:22, Neh. 10:37-39, Mal. 3:8-10) The Old Testament tithes actually totaled well over 20%! Try giving 5% beyond your church tithe to support a missionary. Be sacrificial: "I will not offer to God that which costs me nothing," *II Sam.* 24:24. "God loves a cheerful giver" *II Cor.* 9:7.

BOMake sure your church has a healthy missions budget. Does your church give as much to missions as it spends on itself? Does it support both home and foreign missionaries, pioneer church-planting efforts as well as work in established fields? Any unnecessary budget items?

EXECUTE: Whisionaries every couple of months. Missionaries love mail, they need encouragement, and overseas postage is only 60¢ for a short letter. Every so often, mail some American food, a tape, or pictures; be creative!

EXECUTE: When missionaries are in the U.S., give them your nice clothes or take them to a department store to outfit them. Invite them over to dinner or let a family live with you for a time. Help them raise support by inviting your friends to dinner, letting the missionary share about his ministry, and then asking your friends if they would support the missionary financially. By the way, don't neglect U.S.-based staff in this.

EXPray for them. Consider their Relationship to God: devotional and prayer life, victory over sin, maturity; Physical and Emotional needs: finances, adaptation to climate, health, safety, freedom from loneliness & depression; Family: relationship with spouse, children, other people, example to nationals; Communication: language study, fluency, understanding culture; Ministry: wisdom and boldness in teaching, witnessing, fruitfulness in winning souls, and in developing leaders.

Act Locally



SoShare your faith regularly. Are you witnessing to your family, friends and co-workers? Those of us in Christian environments must go out of our way to make

time and opportunities. Ask your church pastor for an evangelism training program he recommends.

SOVisit widows, orphans, sick, prisoners, etc. Your school or church may already have established outreach to these people–plug into it! Otherwise, personally visit a hospital, nursing home, orphanage, or prison on a regular basis to build relationships and help. Can't visit? Find a pen pal!

EXECUTE: We need mature godly leaders from the young generations! Spend time weekly with a kid whose parents aren't Christians, or work with the police department's Big Brother/Big Sister program. There are plenty of opportunities for ministry in church youth groups and high-school Christian fellowships such as Young Life and FCA.

50Do volunteer work for a homeless shelter or soup kitchen. Check your church, telephone book, or Dept. of Pensions & Security to find established ministries.

Example 1 Bob Service 1 A non-Christian international student. You can often find them hanging out at the student center of a university. Find information from the International Student Organization's faculty advisor. Offer to tutor students in conversational English. Invite them home with you or ask them to dinner. For ministry resources, write International Student Ministries at IVM or International Students Inc., <www.ISIonline.org> P.O. Box C, CO Springs, CO 80901.

Organizations



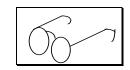
20Join your church missions committee. Find out from your pastor or mission committee how to get on the next year's committee.

20Use resources from one of these organizations:

- 1) Advancing Church Mission Commitment, P.O. Box ACMC, Wheaton, IL 60189 <www.acmc.org> (denominational/ evangelical)
- 2) Antioch Network www.AntiochNetwork.org (602-589-7777) (Charismatic/Independent).
- 3) Student Volunteer Movement 2 < SVM2.org>

&>Get on the board of trustees (or at least the mailing list) of a mission agency. Ask your pastor how to go about it.

SOStart your own mission fellowship! Check out www.NateWilsonFamily.Net/wcsg.html for information on starting a Mission Fellowship or a World Christian Support Group at a college or a local church.



Build Vision

20 Take a course in Missions. Enroll in an *Intro To Mission* class at a Christian college or write USCWM for information on a course called *Perspectives on the World Christian Movement*. If you don't want to go to school, find a weekend seminar on missions at Jealous-God.com or TheTravelingTeam.org. Or go through a Bible study such as *God's Heart for the Nations (CR)*. Contact other mission agencies you know to see if they have mission seminars.

Solubscribe to a mission periodical. In addition to periodicals your local church distributes, try:

Mission Mobilizers E-zine (weekly) Free; from CR Brigada Today (Weekly Email) Free; <Brigada.org> Mission Frontiers \$4/month, c/o USCWM Pulse (biweekly) \$25/yr. POB 749, Wheaton, IL 60189 Voice of the Martyrs (Monthly) Free; P.O.Box 443, Bartlesville, OK 74005

20Put up a missions display in your dorm, home or office: a world map from *National Geographic*; missionary prayer letters; posters from missions conferences or from a mission agency.

EXPRead missionary biographies and other missions books. Check your local Christian bookstore or thumb through a catalogue from Gabriel Resources (1-8MORE-BOOKS) www.MissionBooks.org.

Mobilize Others

SoShare your vision with other Christians! Talk with friends about what you are learning; invite them to pray or go through a study with you.

SOWork part- or full-time with a familiar mission organization. (You could do volunteer work from home.)

SoOrganize a team to do a short mission presentation for your church or school! Write Caleb Resources for a set of Drama Scripts with training video - great skits!

So Get more ideas: Write to a mission agency you are familiar with and ask for their resource ideas.

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ADDRESSES

US Center for World Mission Wm. Carey Library (WCL) 1605 Elizabeth St. Pasadena, CA 91104 1-800-MISSION (WCL only) <www.uscwm.org> **InterVarsity Missions** P.O. Box 7895 Madison, WI 53707 608-274-9001

<www.InterVarsity.org>

Pioneers - Caleb Resources 10123 William Carey Dr., Orlando, FL 32832-6931 407-382-6000 <www.pioneers.org>

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Your Name Here:______Who will hold you accountable? _____

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Pray



SoParticipate in church or school prayer meetings:Contact your church pastor and college Christian fellowship leader for information.

SOOrganize a prayer meeting! Look up www.NateWilsonFamily.Net/cop.html for a Concert of Prayer idea.