

Reach Out's May 2018 Prayers



Todd Slocum (our videographer), Randy and I had an extensive meetings to prepare for shooting video sessions and digital platform logistics for JFYM Online.

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine according to his power that is at work within us... Ephesians 3:20-21

Greetings!

When we grasp the profound reality of the phrases above from <u>Ephesians</u> <u>3:20-21</u>, then everything changes! Our view of God, identity, perspective on life, approach to other people, and our prayers! **According to his power at work within us** gives us ALL WE NEED FOR ANYTHING God asks of us. HE IS ENOUGH!

My comment from last month about your prayers for Reach Out still stands: "If ever Reach Out needed God to do immeasurably more it is now!" And this month exactly what we need is ...his power at work within us as you pray for us! The Lord answered so many of your prayers in April. Our <u>April</u> <u>Update</u>--sent last week--gives you a sense of those answers. How encouraging!



Launching Adopt A Country. Starting today, people can adopt any one of 13 African countries. That means connecting a "Country Advocate"--a financial partner--with a "Country Leader/Team"--an indigenous African youth leader. This relational bridge will accelerate Reach Out's training in those countries and will lead to an exponential increase in the number of teenagers reached and discipled to follow Jesus. Pray for 13 people who will give \$5,000 a year for 5 years in exchange for transforming the younger generation in one country

Global Digital Training. From last month's two-day planning session for Jesus-Focused Youth Ministry Online, Todd Slocum, Randy and I emerged with rough draft scripts for our videos, a "next steps" plan to move forward, and a realization of the cost for this project! *Continue to pray that we will plan wisely and find some generous donors for this massive project.*

Funding Proposals. To fund our "ready to launch" projects Reach Out needs \$1 million. Right now--in May--we still need \$35,000 for Africa. *Pray that generous givers and foundations will respond to our invitation to invest and become God's "immeasurably more" answer to Reach Out's prayers and funding needs.*

Ongoing Prayers for Charles Juma. Charles Juma is one amazing person! Yesterday he led his nephew, Javan, to Christ + two of Javan's friends + a group of teenagers who gathered around to listen. (Watch our Facebook page for this story.) Last month Charles confronted rained out bridges creating impossible travel conditions, physical issues with little healthcare, and internet issues that severely hamper his communication. *Pray for God's power at work within Charles to be sufficient to meet his needs and those of our Africa team.*

Barry's Trip to Israel with Jonathan. May 10-26 Jonathan and I will travel to Israel. We will go on a "Footsteps of Jesus" journey--literally "walking where Jesus walked" 5 to 7 miles a day. *Pray that this "trip of a lifetime" will allow us to encounter Jesus and experience each other in new and deeper ways.*

Thank you for your "power prayers" for Reach Out!

Jesus is Lord,

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