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**PRAYER FOCUS**  
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**THANK YOU FOR JOINING US IN PRAYING FOR THE NATIONS!**

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If anyone is qualified to tell you how to pray for missionaries in language school, it's Annie Wilson. After all, the TEAM missionary has gone to three kinds of language school in three countries: France, Chad and Mexico.

Stepping into her first ministry assignment, Annie thought learning a new language would be a breeze. After all, if God called her to ministry, He should make it easy, right?

“God definitely had to knock me down off my high horse and humble my heart within my first couple months of learning French,” Annie says now.

**Language school lays a critical foundation for everything missionaries will do in their time abroad.** But language school in a foreign country isn't the same as your high school French class.

Every country has a different teaching style. When you walk out of the classroom, you're still surrounded by the unknown language. You spend your days fumbling through new words as you try to buy groceries, navigate a new city and do all kinds of daily tasks. You lose the ability to express yourself or be known by those around you.

**“Prayer for the physical, emotional and spiritual health of the missionary is crucial,” Annie says.** “All these things tie together in language school and all those areas get depleted and challenged during this time.”

**THIS MONTH, WE'RE LIFTING UP MISSIONARIES IN THIS CRITICAL, EARLY STAGE OF MINISTRY. WILL YOU PRAY WITH US FOR MISSIONARIES IN LANGUAGE SCHOOL?**

*Sun:* **PRAY** for perseverance in learning new languages, even as the mistakes add up.

*Mon:* **ASK GOD** to give missionaries a genuine love for language and culture study.

*Tue:* **PRAY** for missionaries to represent God well in their secular language schools. Pray for opportunities to share their faith as students discuss religions and life.

**TURN OVER FOR MORE REQUESTS!**



*Wed:* **PRAY** for understanding of both the language and the local teaching style.

*Thu:* **PRAY** that missionaries won't fall into the trap of comparing their progress to other students'. Ask God to remind them where their value lies.

*Fri:* **ASK GOD** to use this season to reshape missionaries and build their faith.

*Sat:* **ASK GOD** to reveal Himself more fully to missionaries through their language studies.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD:**

- 1. TAIWAN** | Due to Taiwan's successful handling of COVID-19, schools are now operating as normal. This means TEAM missionaries Sarah and Kenneth L. can also have regular college and career ministry events. Please pray for these workers as they disciple young students and help another church start a college and career ministry.
- 2. CZECH REPUBLIC** | TEAM missionaries are working to plant four churches by 2030. Their hope is to reach a younger generation of Czechs, who are raising their families in the communities outside of Prague. Please pray for God's guidance and favor in these efforts.

### **PRAISE REPORTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD:**

- 1. PERU** | As poverty and sickness rise during COVID-19, TEAM missionaries Jessica and Seth M. report that they see increasing unity and growth in the Church. Praise God for His faithfulness!
- 2. IRELAND** | Many conferences have moved online due to COVID-19. TEAM missionary Jessica A. was able to gather teens in person to watch a streaming youth conference. "It was strange to do things so distanced from one another," Jessica says, "but it was exciting to see God connect with our teens despite the circumstances!"

*The names of the people you've helped may be changed to protect their privacy.*