

Evangelical Friends Mission September 2025 Prayer Letter

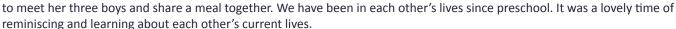
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Our purpose and passion is to fuel a worldwide movement of people who seek first the kingdom of God, planting churches that live and die to carry out the Great Commission in the spirit of the Great Commandment.

Molly Morton | Preparing to Serve in Ireland

Suddenly, I looked at the calendar today and realized there are only a few weeks left in my furlough. It seems like time has flown by, while at the same time it feels like February and the beginning of my furlough were a million years ago. God has been gracious to me during the last five months as I have traveled, connected with partners, spent so much time with my family, visited different churches, rested well, met new people, reconnected with old friends, and grieved the unexpected loss of my father. I have so much gratitude for the EFM community of support while I have been in the U.S. I cannot imagine doing this without that support.

As I get ready to return to Ireland at the end of this month, I look back at a few exciting things that happened in July. My best friend, Becky, is also a cross-cultural worker. We had the blessing of being in California at the same time this month. We spent a few days together catching up, shopping, and eating. We also had the pleasure of meeting up with one of our childhood friends, Katherine. We got







All my love and gratitude, Molly Morton

Over the last couple of months, I have been visiting churches in my official capacity as a furloughed missionary. I am beyond thankful for the ways each of these churches partners with me prayerfully and financially. It is lovely to see each unique worshiping community and to share with them about my work in Ireland with the Nazarene church. One highlight of these church visits was visiting the Discover's Class at Rose Drive Friends Church. Many of the men and women in that class taught Sunday school to me and my siblings as children at Rose Drive Friends Church (RDFC). It was so great to see these faithful co-laborers and to share with them.

As my furlough and deputation come to an end, I want to thank each and every one of you from the bottom of my heart for your support. The prayer and financial support I receive from each of you is vital and important to my work in Ireland. Thank you so much.



Praise:

• I am so grateful for the last six months in the US and the support and prayer I have received from the entire EFM family. I have had a wonderful time re-connecting with friends and family.

Prayer Requests:

- Pray for my transition back to Ireland next week. Pray for homesickness and grief. Pray for good rest and re-connection with my Irish friends.
- Pray for our church in Greystones as we enter the fall season with many programs resuming. Pray for discernment and God's imagination.
- Pray for my family and me as we continue to grieve the loss of my father, especially as I go back to Ireland and will no longer be physically near them.

From the EFM Office Praise God...

- For the new additions to the EFM staff. Barb Arroyo is joining us from northern California as our Communications Coordinator. Among her many tasks is producing this monthly prayer letter. John Palmer is joining us from Michigan as our Administrative Assistant. Among his many responsibilities will be responding to those who contact EFM.
- For Krista Gonzalez who is moving from the Administrative Assistant role to Ministry Engagement Coordinator. She remains based in Texas with her family. Krista's primary focus is assisting those who are moving towards ministry through EFM on a short or long-term basis.
- That Jennifer Guinez has returned to Jerusalem and is reengaging in ministry through teaching English.

Please Pray...

- For Barb Arroyo, John Palmer, and Krista Gonzalez as they
 adjust to their new responsibilities. All three work on a
 part-time basis with EFM, so establishing new patterns that
 include their other priorities can be challenging.
- For the EFM Staff retreat that will take place September 10-14 in Colorado. Key missions liaisons from some of the yearly meetings in the U.S. will be joining the staff for part of the retreat.
- For Molly Morton as she heads back to Ireland for her second term of service.
- For the Fred and Jonelle Liddell family as they are in Colorado undergoing some intensive training for the mission field. They are getting closer and closer to being fully funded, so pray also that that will be completed soon.
- For Lana Thurston who hopes to join Jennifer soon. The last few years Lana has been engaged in the same kind of ministry in Jerusalem.

EFM Five-Year Goal:

To send 10 new missionary households from North America to launch 5 new fields by December 31, 2025.

Praise God...

- For several Future Missionaries who are taking next steps in gaining more experience in cross-cultural ministries and also discerning the Lord's call on their lives.
- The three two-month summer interns who served in Central Africa have returned with good stories of growth and opportunities. Grace Anderson (NWYM), Nathan Macy (EFC-MAYM) and Judah Vore (IYM) interned with the Brad and Chelsea Carpenter family primarily in Rwanda, with time in Burundi and at the East Africa School of Missions (boot camp).
- For the Latin American Missions Sending-Learning
 Conference that took place in Chuiquimula, Guatemala,
 August 23-29. There were around one hundred participants
 from ten countries. Most of them were representatives
 from ten yearly meetings in Latin America. The conference
 helped them identify next steps to take in strengthening
 and/or building structures that will help their yearly
 meetings send missionaries into the harvest fields of the
 world.

Please Pray...

• For the Lord of the harvest to send more workers into the

- harvest fields. At this point we need at least thirteen more missionary households to go to the seven new fields that have been approved by the EFM Board.
- Eric Nilsen (FSW) is in the home stretch of support raising as he prepares for a one-year internship in Zacatecas, Mexico.
- Grace Anderson (NWYM) is beginning her support raising as she prepares for a one-year internship in Ecuador.
- Several other future missionaries are in various stages of inquiry or application for career, short term or internship service.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: Join us on the 2nd Thursday of each month from 10-11 AM PST for our Luke 10:2 Gathering via Zoom in support of EFM's Five-Year Goal. Prayer points and the link for the gathering will be sent a few days before the event. If you would like to participate in this gathering, you can sign up for it at https://friendsmission.com/five-year-goal-pray.

PLEASE NOTE: September's Prayer Gathering has been rescheduled from September 11 to September 18.

From Pastor Amen Thapa Serving with EFC-Nepal, A Ministry Partner Praise God...

- For the new church planted in Pokhara after 10 years of intensive prayer. The building was funded by our local church, with construction work carried out by our pastors and leaders.
- For 19 new members who have publicly declared their faith through water baptism.
- For the healing of a brother from cancer as a fruit of the prayer meetings.

Please Pray...

- For the dedication of Phurch Friends Church building and the upcoming Regional Prayer Summit in Pokhara.
- For the upcoming programs: the Regional Women's Conference, Youth Conference, Elisha Generation, and BAM training.
- For those who are sick, especially people suffering from kidney failure, paralysis, and cancer.

From Tony and Agi Frei Serving in Hungary

Praise God...Children

- Children's Day in Tolna (early August): We were blessed to hold a Children's Day outreach. Several unbelieving children came and heard the gospel. We worshiped with children's songs, listened to a Bible story from my wife, Ági, and prayed together. A small team led crafts, and after lunch the children enjoyed watermelon, ice cream, and a foam party on the bank of the River Danube. Our workers served together in unity, making it a joyful and fruitful day.
- Glory to God, the work of the Charity House is going well.
 However, because of financial struggles, we must slow down some activities. Please pray for God's provision and support.
- Praise God, I now have a small team of young boys (ages 13–15, including my grandson and his friends) from Tolna serving in the mission. They attended Bible study at the primary school, joined me in gypsy mission outreach, and are already helping as volunteers in the foundation's work.

I pray they will personally receive Jesus, and my dream is that they will one day serve unbelieving youth through the mission.

Please Pray...

- Please pray for Mary from Kölked. She and her husband,
 Joseph, serve as our coworkers and caretakers of the church.
 Mary has been diagnosed with cancer in her neck. Pray for
 her healing, strength, and for God's will to be done in her life
 and family.
- Please pray for the start of the school year. We plan to organize children's church meetings this autumn in Tolna and Budapest.
- In Budapest, we have been invited again to the community house's Family Day with a handicraft party. This gives us another opportunity to testify to many unbelieving families and invite them to church.
- In Tolna, we plan to begin a youth group for ages 12–18. I
 believe the young boys already helping in the mission will be
 a good foundation for this new ministry.

From D.K. and Choity Sarkar Serving in India

Praise God...

- My wife Choity had a serious car accident. By the grace of God she did not die but had a new life. Thank God for his grace for us.
- We had our EFM Kolkata staff retreat on August 21 and August 22. All our staff attended the retreat. It was a very good fellowship and deep bondage with each other. Praise the Lord.
- There has been heavy rain in West Bengal, and many people, especially children, have fallen sick. By God's grace, our staff and their children are in good health.
- Pastor Chandan Mondal has been able to start a new church in Nadia District, named Bogula Friends Church.
- Our team traveled to Uttarakhand to visit our ministry there. By God's grace, the ministry is running well, and Brother Om Prakash is faithfully serving. There are now nine house fellowships. Due to persecution from the local government and political parties, they cannot hold larger church programs and have therefore gathered in smaller house fellowships instead. Our two brothers, Pastors Prafulla Hembram and Tapas Dhara, visited our Uttarakhand field. Thank God that they could come back safely.

Please Pray...

- Our staff O.M. Prakash is working in Uttarakhand. Pray for him so that he and his church members may grow in strong faith. Nothing can put them down from their faith on Jesus Christ.
- One of our members, named Sarah, is on her deathbed.
 She is a relative of Pastor Soumen Naskar from Gosaba. As of now, we do not know whether she will recover, but we continue to pray for her.
- We will have our annual camp at the end of the September.
 All the believers and the church leaders will attend the camp. Please pray for the camp.
- Pray for Choity's health. She fell twice from a ladder, and many complications have arisen since then. We are praying for her healing. Still she is suffering from chest pain and other parts of her body. She is under treatment.

