

Lakeside Mission Partner Update
October 20, 2026

Pioneer Bible Translators: Jeff & Laura with their teams prepared & have in transit boxes of Toma Scripture calendars & 1 box in the Zialo language also! **Please pray** these will strengthen the faith and bless those who receive them. Joseph is promoting literacy with Scripture engagement at a Regional council meeting. And, the long-delayed training for Toma women to lead Scripture listening groups is scheduled for **October 28-31**. **Please pray** that nothing will prevent this from taking place and pray for the life transformation among groups of listening women as God speaks through His Word in their language.

ICOM: International Conference on Missions is in St. Louis November 12-14, 2026! Plan to attend for 1 day or the whole time! **Register for ICOM and invite a family to join you there!** ***Prepare to be amazed by the number of missions represented from around the world & your opportunity to learn a little about their work and life, plus attend workshops for personal growth.***

Operation Christmas Child: Christmas Shoebox giveaway coming soon: **November 1, 8, and 15th!** Patty Clendenny and Brad & Sheila Leggett leading this initiative & YOUR help is needed to fill these boxes with surprises for children – boxes that may open the hearts of a family for Christ!

LSCA: Oct 30 at 6:30 PM- Fall Night Out. Join Lakeside & other churches @ LSCA to create some fun family memories this Fall season! Free hayrides, hotdogs, hot chocolate, hot apple cider, popcorn and caramel apples! Let us know you're coming by clicking "interested" on this event!" **Nov 7 at 6 PM - Game Show Night - Grow Project FUNdraiser.** *Be ready for a night of fun for a good cause!* The goal with the LSCA's Grow Project is to become a camp that is accessible to people with all abilities. This project includes updates to our facilities, as well as helping us build a pool with a 0-depth entry. Decision to send \$275 available toward the Grow Project.

November 1st is the **International Day of Prayer for Persecuted Christians....**and throughout the month of November. Join this global prayer movement!

TCMI: Taking Christ to Millions Institute: Early 2026, TCMI launched the first graduate-level classes in Sierra Leone for pastors, church leaders, teachers, & church planters. Such a step requires determination from all involved when reliable electricity & internet access cannot be assumed for the on-line portion of courses. These 15 who completed the course confirm a hunger for graduate level Biblical education even in West Africa. Sierra Leone also opens the door for possible cohorts in neighboring countries. Pray for volunteer workers, professors, staff. Pray for those in Russia, Kenya, Turkey, Georgia, Poland, and Czechia! Contact Vickie Cook for additional information or visit www.tcmi.org/pray

Myanmar Hope: <https://www.facebook.com/MyanmarHope> The disabled/widowed/poor in the NW received rice; and the gospel continues to be preached. Thank God for times of “peace”. These students in the Myanmar Hope Schools, we hope and pray will become future Myanmar leaders with courage, compassion, intelligence, and Godly wisdom!

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Ozark Christian College with Lincoln Christian Seminary: Ozark is in its 16th year of operating has a 41 % enrollment increase in the past 8 years and is the **largest Bible college and seminary** in our fellowship. Three campaign initiatives (8.4 million): 1) Refurbishing the last two of six dorms, \$4 million. 2). Building a Seminary building for Lincoln Seminary, \$4 million, 3). Lifelong Leaders initiative, \$.4 million. (A matching grant is available for a portion of this.). Remember to pray for Danny Thomas who served here at Lakeside & is attending Ozark.

Christian Student Fellowship: PRAY: for new connections to lead toward life changing relationships centered on Jesus. **PRAY** that new students will engage in coming events. PRAY for meaningful conversations about faith. **PRAY** for the men's ministry to deepen friendships which will build a multiplying community of those committed to discipling others for Jesus. Following is the link to sign up to bring snacks for Monday night. *Monday Night Snacks* - Christian Student Fellowship @University of Illinois Springfield <https://share.google/6mds9DBPWpqNCrh3h>

Jim Bettison with Pioneer Bible Translators: Praise God for Jim & Karen and their persistence in continuing the work with their church & with PBT. There is a new writing system that the Fulbe have adopted in Guinea - Ajama script. Jim is not familiar with it, but the translation team has an intern who is using his InDesign publications as a template to see if they can get it to work for the new right-to-left Ajama script version. Their home renovation work following the fire had to be halted and restarted with a new contractor. Pray the Holy Spirit enables Jim & Karen to maintain priorities & praise God for the way HE continues to work in and through them in a variety of settings.

Inner City Mission: Pray for staff and for residents & those seeking "home". Pray residents will be willing to step into unfamiliar territory filled with healthy people, behaviors, and relationships....and feel accepted through God's love and grace exhibited at Inner City Mission. Inner-City Mission offers food to many folks with food insecurity. As God puts either organization on your heart, please donate food.

Illinois Family Institute: Be praying for the **November 3rd election** of God-fearing candidates who will serve honorably in Springfield and Washington DC. As God to guide legislative bodies as their decisions deeply impact religious liberty, families, and freedom throughout our state and nation. Pray for Christian unity across all denominations to stand in truth and love to clearly reflect the mission of Christ. As Thomas Jefferson stated, "We have government by the majority who participate." Let us pray and act as God directs.

Next meeting: Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. November 24th - 2027 budget planning.

Calendar:

- **November 12-14, 2026, International Conference on Missions in St. Louis**
- **November 1,8,15: Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts collection.**
- **Upcoming Events @ LSCA:** Check Facebook!
- **October 30th 6:30 p.m.**
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 - *Will you help us make Church Camp more inclusive, as well as have some fun? We will have games such as Guess Who? Name That "toon" and Price is Right! As well as our famous Dessert Dash!*
 - *You can host a table for \$520, or you can purchase a seat for \$65! Your ticket includes appetizers and dinner!*
- **Nov 21 at 8 AM - Fall Service Day**
 - *"We wouldn't be able to do what we do at LSCA Camp without our awesome volunteers joining us for a day of work! With a large property and many programs happening throughout the year, we need extra hands to help us complete some projects!*
We will start the day at 8 am with our famous camp cinnamon rolls, pray, and then start on our work!"
- **November 13-15 - Pre-Teen Retreat**
- **December: Ugly sweater Fun Run & Pancake Breakfast**
- **Current LSCA Volunteer Projects**

These jobs can be completed by individuals or teams: 1). Weed removal and shrub pruning, 2). Window cleaning for all buildings 3). Cleaning interior walls in Eagle Lodge. 4). Power washing annexes, shelters,