

## The Prayer Room

### IMB MISSIONARIES USE TRAUMA-CARE RESOURCES TO HELP REFUGEES, START CHURCHES

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Matthew uses American Bible Society’s Trauma Healing Institute (THI) curriculum to help Venezuelans with trauma in their lives. The curriculum uses Bible stories to teach basic biblical and mental health principles to help people respond to emotional trauma.

In describing the impact of the THI program, Vanessa, a refugee from Venezuela, pointed to the practice of bringing their pain to the Cross.

“Bringing our pain to the Cross was very beautiful. It gave us peace with ourselves, to be okay with why we came here.”

For Matthew, THI provides an avenue to use his background in counseling to start churches in the Bogota area. As a church-planting catalyst, he often struggles to gather groups in the city.

“It was the hardest thing to get people into groups because everyone was super busy. Everyone is trying to survive in the city. It is hard to find something interesting enough for them to come.”

But in THI Matthew finally found a ministry that garners enough interest to be a gathering opportunity. Since Venezuelan refugees have been through significant trauma in recent years—even the move itself traumatized many—they were open to a THI workshop. Plus, the workshops helped people process personal traumatic events like the death of family members, childhood abuse, and other violent acts committed against them.

“I love it because I am able to see their hurts being healed as they bring them to the Cross, understanding that God isn’t causing the situation,” Matthew said. “It’s really the will of man and Satan. Everyone blames God, but He isn’t the one to blame. People come into the workshops blaming God, but they leave feeling relief because they see the Bible verses that show the biblical truth about dealing with sin.”

*Article condensed to fit this space.*



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<p><b>MONDAY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our Youth Ministry</li> <li>• Concerns for Extended Church Family</li> <li>• Our Shut-ins &amp; Hurting</li> <li>• Sunday School</li> </ul>	<p><b>TUESDAY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Families of Our Church</li> <li>• Our Children’s Ministry</li> <li>• Concerns for Friends &amp; Acquaintances</li> </ul>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pastor &amp; Staff</li> <li>• Teachers Preparing for Sunday</li> <li>• The Lost &amp; Straying</li> <li>• Our Music Ministry</li> </ul>
<p><b>THURSDAY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SBC Missionaries</li> <li>• College Ministry</li> <li>• WMU/Men’s Ministry</li> </ul>	<p><b>FRIDAY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single/Young Adult Ministry</li> <li>• <b>All Elected Officials</b></li> <li>• Community &amp; Nation</li> </ul>	<p><b>SATURDAY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our New Members</li> <li>• Senior Adult Ministry</li> <li>• Church Committees</li> </ul>

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## Petitions for Church Family

### Those With Impaired Health

<b>Christy Graham</b>	Flora Bellflower	Patricia Porter
Dorothy Fountain	<b>Hazel Crow</b>	<b>Raymond Bellflower</b>
<b>Dot Martin</b>	<b>Jane Wilkes</b>	Robert Trifiletti
<b>Eddie Beacham</b>	Joyce Frost	<b>Starr Goins</b>
<b>Ellen Sterling</b>	Kay Fountain	<b>Susan Haywood</b>
Elaine Fountain	Nellie Beacham	<b>Tommy Crow</b>

### Military Service Personnel

Aaron Gay (Army, Kuwait), Ashley Najera (National Guard), Bert Lee Ratliff (Marines, Beaufort, SC), Daniel Corona - (Army), James Miller (Air Force - Moody AFB), Jason Jones & Family (Army, S. Korea), Jay Willis (Warner Robins), Josh Evans (Air Force - Germany), Judson Martin (Evans, GA), Martin Corona, Jr. (Marines, Oceanside, CA), Rob Keen (Army, Germany), Ryan Pettepher (Navy)

### Other Church Family Concerns

ABC Women's Clinic, Mustard Seed Journey, New Believers' Spiritual Growth, Conflicts in N. Africa & Middle East, Peace in Jerusalem, Civil Unrest in Haiti, City of Hope

### Other Ministry Needs

Association Church Plants, Bobby Jones - (Director of Missions for LBA), GBC/SBC, IMB/NAMB, Ministry Center, Our Church Staff, Our Deacons, Our Outreach Ministry Persecuted Christians, Teachers, Workers, Committees & LBA Disaster Relief Team

### Our Missionaries

Roger & Rose Bear - Indiana, Luke, Rachael, & Caleb (undisclosed), Pastor Seguy - Haiti, **Look to the Nations formally Baptist 4 Haiti**

### Pray Continuously for:

Pray for God to send out workers into the harvest (Matthew 9:37-38)

Pray for the Lord to give us the harvest (John 4:35)

Pray for God to raise up people to disciple the harvest (Matthew 28:18-20)

If you have a request for *prayer.LIFE*, please complete a Prayer Card or contact the church office (478-272-7827/ prussell@bethlehembaptisted.org) before 9:00am on Thursday. Requests are removed after 1 month. Please let us know if they need to remain longer or be removed sooner. Thank you!  
Those in **bold** were added this week.

## Petitions for These Uncertain Times

Please be in prayer for our county, state, country and world. Pray that while the lost seek answers, they find God and use the Bible as their guide in these troubling times.

\*\*\*Pray especially for our elected officials\*\*\*

## Petitions for Extended Church Family

<u>Please Pray For</u>	<u>Requested By</u>	<u>Relationship</u>
<b>Marjorie Nobles</b>	<b>David &amp; Karen Nobles</b>	<b>Sister-in-law</b>
Mildred Crooms	Elaine Fountain	Sister
Garry Fricks, Jr.	Amy Corona	Brother
Garry Fricks	Amy Corona	Father
Peggy Moxley	Cheryl Wilkes	Sister

## Petitions for Friends & Acquaintances

<u>Please Pray For</u>	<u>Requested By</u>	<u>Relationship</u>
<b>Annie &amp; Roy Williams</b>	<b>Susan Haywood</b>	<b>Friend</b>
<b>Katherine Pope</b>	<b>Stefanie Strickland</b>	<b>Friend</b>
Emmi Ruth Savage	Karen Nobles	Friend's Child
Lionel	Leslie Henderson	Friend
Jeffery Register	James Deal	City of Hope
Steven Williams	Julie Deal	Friend

## Petitions for Our Shut-Ins

* Gena Sapp 982 Southlake Drive East Dublin, GA 31027	* Lyle Thompson 903 Bellevue Ave. Dublin, GA 31021
* Lois Edwards 2728 Moore Station Rd. Lt #13 Dublin, GA 31021	* Joyce Hawkins 111 Musgrove Street Dublin, GA 31021
* Linda Kight 4032 Sunset Ct Covington, GA 30014	* James Coleman 504 Damon Drive East Dublin, GA 31027