



**PROVIDENCE**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

## Missions Partners Prayer Guide

Take a moment each week to read about one of our missions partners and pray for them. There are 26 organizations listed so each one can be prayed for twice throughout the year. You can find out more about these missions partners at [www.providencebc.org/connect/missions/missions-partners/](http://www.providencebc.org/connect/missions/missions-partners/)

### **Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America**



Witnessing to God's peace, rooted in justice; working together until it comes. BPFNA envisions a world where all people, following Jesus, listen with openness; speak with conviction; resist evil; receive hostility and return love; break silences which harm; resist cooperation with structures that cause hardship and suffering; practice healing; mend creation's wounds; offer hospitality to the refugee and the sojourner; insist on human rights; love friend and stranger, ally and enemy; and point with their words, attitudes and actions to the acceptable year of God.

### **Baptist Women in Ministry of North Carolina**

Baptist Women in Ministry in North Carolina (BWIM, NC) provides a network of support, fellowship, worship, advocacy and education for Baptist women and men who are seeking to honor God's call in Christ to women in all areas of mission and ministry, lay or ordained; and to dialogue and share information with North Carolina Baptists concerning women in missions and ministry for the purpose of increasing understanding and awareness of our calling as women and men in Christ. BWIM, NC lives out these purposes by connecting, affirming, discerning, supporting, networking, and empowering.



### **Baptist World Alliance**



Networking the Baptist Family to Impact the World for Christ. The Baptist World Alliance is a global movement of Baptists sharing a common confession of faith in Jesus Christ bonded together by God's love to support, encourage and strengthen one another while proclaiming and living the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit before a lost and hurting world. Since its beginnings in 1905, the Baptist World Alliance has remained committed to its mission to impact the world for Christ – building on more than a century of kingdom work and forging the way into a strategic future.

## The BULB Gallery

The Bulb provides mostly local produce, as well as health and wellness education, to food insecure neighborhoods in Charlotte, NC. The Bulb focuses on food insecurity, food sovereignty, and food justice. The Bulb seeks to partner with local communities to create a world where food is a right and not a privilege, while seeking social justice through affordable and attainable food, art, and community.



## Charlotte Crop Hunger Walk



Walking to stop hunger locally and around the world. The CROP Hunger Walk takes place each fall in cities across the country. The walk averages 4 miles, representing the average distance citizens of developing nations have to walk to obtain clean water. CROP exist to raise awareness and funds for malnourished communities both domestically and abroad. CROP Hunger Walks also support the grassroots, poverty-fighting efforts, and disaster response of the Church World Service (CWS) in more than 40 countries, including the United States. CROP Hunger Walks provide tools of hope that empower people to meet their own survival needs. From seeds and tools to wells and water systems, to technical training and micro-enterprise loans, the key is bringing people together to overcome poverty, which is the world's #1 cause of hunger.

## Charlotte Family Housing

Seeking to empower working families experiencing homelessness to achieve life-long self-sufficiency through shelter, housing, supportive services, and advocacy. Charlotte Family Housing (CFH) is a shelter-to-housing program for working families experiencing homelessness. Founded in 2011, CFH serves hardworking mothers and fathers who fill critical roles in our community such as cashiers, bank tellers, teachers, daycare attendants, food service workers, bus drivers, and home health care providers. CFH families are often suffering in silence under tremendous financial stress. Compensated with low wages and often spending more than 50% of their income on rent, one crisis - a family breakup, an illness, an unexpected loss of income, domestic violence - can send fragile families spiraling into homelessness.



## Charlotte Rescue Mission

Charlotte Rescue Mission serves those at the intersection of homelessness and addiction so they can achieve their God-given potential. Founded in 1938 by a group of Christian business people who wanted to serve those facing homelessness, CRM eventually pivoted to focus on addiction recovery. Their vision continues to be a world free of addiction.



## Community Culinary School or Charlotte



The Community Culinary School or Charlotte (CCSC) provides workforce development training and job placement assistance for adults who face barriers to long-term successful employment. CCSC's vision is to transform the lives of their students and their families and positively impact our community. CCSC's Workforce Training program is a creative solution to the interwoven problems of unemployment, hunger, and homelessness. They address the root cause of poverty rather than symptoms – unemployment. They do more than hand someone a fish – they teach students how to clean, cook and sell fish! They provide paths to careers in the food service industry for adults whose barriers include: lack of skills, incarceration, addiction, homelessness, and Veterans' re-integration issues. CCSC's overarching program goal is for graduates to move from dependency to self-sufficiency through stable employment.

## Congregations for Kids

In the greater Charlotte area, CFK equips and empowers the community to be champions for children, families and social workers in the foster care system. CFK has four simple pathways to help you become a champion for kids in foster care: Foster. Mentor. Serve. Give. CFK believes every child in foster care deserves to have a champion by their side, that a positive relationship with a caring adult can change the trajectory of a child's life forever, and that everyone can do something to be a champion in the life of a child.



## Cooperative Baptist Fellowship (Global)



Partners in Renewing God's World. The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship is a Christian network comprised of individuals and churches that work together to spread the hope of Christ. For 30 years, CBF has been driven by its mission to serve Christians and churches as they discover and fulfill their God-given mission and to live into our vision to be a national and global community bearing witness to the Gospel in partnership with Christians across the nation and around the world. CBF's diverse community includes partners all over the globe, and the fellowship supports a wide range of missions and ministries that give people meaningful opportunities to put their faith into action.

## Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina

CBFNC is a fellowship of Baptists in North Carolina sharing a commitment to the Lordship of Jesus Christ, sensitivity to the Holy Spirit in our midst, and a reverence for God's Word. CBFNC's oneness is expressed through a devotion to historic Baptist principles of faith and practice. This devotion calls us to join together in responding to Jesus' call to go into all the world to share God's love. For 30 years, CBFNC has provided a place of refuge, belonging and "family" for countless North Carolina Baptist churches and Baptist Christians. CBFNC invites you to explore our fellowship as a place of community, cooperation, worship and witness. Founded as the North Carolina expression of the larger Cooperative Baptist Fellowship community, CBFNC has championed cooperation in mission and ministry in the context of Baptist freedoms: soul freedom, Bible freedom, church freedom and religious freedom.



## The Counseling Center at Charlotte



The Counseling Center at Charlotte exists to help persons who find themselves having difficulty in dealing with life situations. Any of us may find ourselves feeling lost or confused, overwhelmed by the circumstances we are in. CCC's experienced therapists can help, provide a safe space to heal and grow. In working with and valuing individuals, couples, and families, they foster understanding, healing, and renewal in a faith-based context. The Counseling Center at Charlotte is committed to providing compassionate, and professional care to each client. CCC serves Charlotte and its surrounding communities, walking alongside many through their journeys.

## Crisis Assistance Ministry

The mission of Crisis Assistance Ministry is to provide assistance and advocacy for people in financial crisis, helping them move toward self-sufficiency. They vision to inspire our community to justice and generosity as they provide help, hope, and understanding to people struggling with limited financial resources.



## Engineering Ministries International (Jeff and Jennifer Austin)



EMI is a Christian non-profit made up of architects, engineers, surveyors, and construction managers who value Design, Discipleship, and Diversity. Since 1982, EMI's worldwide mission is to develop people, design structures, and construct facilities which serve communities and the Church—facilities like hospitals, schools, water systems, and more. Together, we are designing a world of hope.

## Families Forward Charlotte



Empowering Charlotte area families to overcome intergenerational poverty. FFC partners with families experiencing poverty to achieve lasting economic stability. They provide educational opportunities, offer essential support, and foster long-term relationships through individualized mentoring. Through a variety of programs, FFC seeks to connect and empower our community, honoring each family with admiration and trust, believing they have the ability to make long-term changes in their lives.

## Loaves & Fishes/Friendship Trays

Nourishing our neighbors with food and compassion. Loaves & Fishes/Friendship Trays provides groceries, meals and hope through a network of food pantries and as the primary Meals on Wheels program for Mecklenburg County. Loaves & Fishes/Friendship Trays is the merger of two longstanding hunger fighters: Loaves & Fishes, which provides a week's worth of nutritionally balanced groceries to individuals and families experiencing a short-term crisis— and Friendship Trays, who delivers nutritious meals to elderly or infirm individuals who are unable to obtain or prepare their own meals while also providing human connection to the isolated and lonely and peace of mind to their families. Now stronger together in fighting hunger, Loaves & Fishes/Friendship Trays strives to be the one answer to our community's food insecurity needs by providing nutritious groceries and prepared meals. They believe that working together as one will improve overall access to healthy food in a way that ensures kindness, dignity and hope are byproducts of our services.



## Mecklenburg Metro Ministries

Mecklenburg Metropolitan Interfaith Network (MeckMIN) promotes interfaith collaboration to foster understanding, compassion and justice. MeckMIN envisions a community that lives by the highest values and core virtues of its rich faith traditions and respects the dignity of every person. MeckMIN values the core virtues of our rich faith traditions - our members being anchored in their belief in God, the Divine, the spiritual. They value the worth and dignity of all people - finding common ground through respecting and affirming all humans. They value relationships - recognizing that our spiritual and human relationships are even more important than the causes we address. They value the diversity of our community - enriching our lives as we learn from one another's racial, ethnic, cultural, and faith understandings. They value peace - believing in the importance of peace within each person, our community and our world.

## Metrolina Baptist Association

The Metrolina Baptist Association exists to encourage and equip our family of churches to fulfill the Great Commission — making disciples for Jesus.

Through a variety of ministries like Church planting, disaster relief, ESL classes, sports, and dental ministry, The Metrolina Baptist Association is strengthening churches for a Gospel-advancing future.



## North Carolina Baptists on Mission

Baptists on Mission exists to Glorify God by involving churches and Christians in meeting human needs in Jesus' name. With 19 different ministries of Baptists on Mission, including disaster relief and medical missions, they believe that all Christians are called, gifted and sent.



## North Carolina Women on Mission

North Carolina Women on Mission seek to challenge, prepare and equip Christian believers to be radically involved in the fulfillment of the Great Commission through missions education, compassion ministries, and leadership development.



## Rebuilding Together of Greater Charlotte

Rebuilding Together of Greater Charlotte (RTGC)'s mission is repairing homes, revitalizing communities, rebuilding lives. RTGC mobilizes community volunteers and contractors to provide repairs that make homes safer and healthier for our neighbors in need. They also actively partner with other local organizations to connect the communities we serve with additional resources to meet their needs and help them create healthier, more vibrant neighborhoods. They seek to provide critical home repairs to neighbors in need, leading to safe homes and communities for everyone. Rebuilding Together of Greater Charlotte's model prioritizes critical repairs that correct twenty-five scientifically proven health and safety hazards that are common in older homes, including falls, fires, moisture and mold, asthma and allergies and toxic exposures such as carbon monoxide. Thanks to dedicated volunteers, RTGC has unmatched cost effectiveness in making our community's housing safer and healthier.





## Rise Against Hunger

Rise Against Hunger is growing a global movement to end hunger by empowering communities, nourishing lives, and responding to emergencies. Rise Against Hunger has been fulfilling its commitment to end hunger across the globe since 1998, coordinating the distribution of food and other life-saving aid to crisis-burdened areas around the world. This is accomplished through popular community-supported meal packaging programs. Rise Against Hunger distributes its meals through feeding programs operated by partner organizations in developing countries which promote education, encourage children to attend school, improve the health and nutrition of students, address gender inequalities, spur economic growth, combat child labor, and create a platform for tackling global issues. In addition to supporting school feeding programs, Rise Against Hunger also provides meals in response to crisis relief. To date, volunteers have packaged more than 225 million meals distributed to 74 countries.

## Roof Above

Uniting the community to end homelessness, one life at a time. Roof Above believes that housing is the solution to homelessness. Through their aspirations and the actions they take to end homelessness; they seek to ensure everyone has a safe, affordable roof above their head. Roof Above was born out of the merger of Urban Ministry Center and Men's Shelter of Charlotte, two prominent organizations long recognized as community leaders in homeless services. In May 2019, these legacy organizations combined services to become a new organization with added resources, talent, and a unified voice that could move the needle on ending homelessness. Today, Roof Above is a comprehensive homeless service provider serving 1,200 people per day through a spectrum of services ranging from street outreach, day services, emergency shelter, and permanent supportive housing- believing every person should have the safety, stability, and dignity of home.



## Second Harvest

Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina strives- through education, advocacy, and partnerships- to eliminate hunger by the solicitation and distribution of food. In existence since 1981, Second Harvest provides a regional distribution warehouse and branches that supply food and grocery items to charitable agencies that assist people in need. They provide training, technical assistance and hunger education to partner agencies in 24 counties in the Carolinas.

## South America Mission



An abiding, loving, redemptive, suffering and growing community to whom people say: “Let us go with you, for we have heard God is with you.” - Zechariah 8.23. South America Mission seeks to see dynamic churches multiplied across South America that transform local communities and the world as they embody the Kingdom of God.

### **Wycliffe Bible Translators (David & Naomi Coward)**



Wycliffe Bible Translators serve with the global body of Christ to advance Bible translation and work together so people can encounter God through his Word. Their vision is for people from every language to understand the Bible and be transformed. As one of the largest Scripture-translation organizations in the world, Wycliffe Bible Translators has helped people around the world to translate the Bible into their own languages for 80 years. Today at least 2,000 languages are still waiting for a Bible translation to begin, and Wycliffe is working faster than ever to reach those languages as soon as possible. Wycliffe and their strategic partners are currently working in 133 countries.