



NEWS OF SOUTHERN OFFICERS AND LAY PERSONNEL SERVING AROUND THE WORLD

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DANGEROUS PLACES TO BE A CHRISTIAN

There are dangerous places in the world to be Christian. After what has been called the Arab Spring many countries in the Middle East experienced increased tension and turmoil. In more than one place Christian homes were labelled with the Arabic letter for "N", which stands for 'Nazarene' and a great deal of fighting and eviction and even killing took place. That symbol is found in some places written on Christians' houses, much like the star of David was on the dwellings of Jews in Nazi Germany.

In Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates, so many non-Muslim people from neighboring countries come for employment that the government has made Christian worship possible on certain terms. This included a number of Salvationists (especially from India) who were working and living there. They requested that IHQ send officers for the establishment of a formal Army ministry and that's how the Middle East initiative began. The USA Southern Territory provided the money and manpower at request of the General and soon Majors Michael and Teresa Hawley, along with Lieutenants Robert and Glenis Viera launched the effort in Kuwait.




In addition to partnering with the local expression of church, place was given where regular Salvation Army services and programs were held. Social services and community outreach was a different story. Conversion to Christianity is against the law in a Muslim country with a variety of undesirable consequences. There were concerns about fund raising for social services because the government thought these services 'might reflect positively on your God.' The lower-end of the labor force as well as domestic helpers are sometimes abused, misused or deceived and have little recourse. One ministry open to the Salvation Army has been to assist the Embassies in dealing with the needs of these individuals.

Without a more formal administrative structure, the Hawleys were effectively the leaders of all the work being done there for a number of years. After 18 months a decision was made to expand from Kuwait into the United Arab Emirates to more effectively reach the the Middle East Region. The Vieras maintained the work in Kuwait and the Hawleys moved to Sharjah- next to Dubai to begin Salvation Army services there. The Undersecretary from IHQ came a time or two for a visit. The International Secretary wasn't permitted to come into the country because he had an Israeli visa stamped in his Passport.

The Hawleys and Vieras were replaced by British Officers at the end of their service and the ministry and work in the Middle East Region continues to this day.

Victoriously His! Major Michael Hawley
(now serving as NSC DS for Program)



MISSIONARY TRIVIA

Kuwait is in what Army Zone and how many folks from the South have served in this area of the world?

FAREWELL ORDERS HAVE COME TO MAJOR JEAN DEUEL and she shares these parting words:

Dear Friends,

What an incredible journey I have experienced since June 21, 2011 when I commenced ministry as the Overseas Personnel Services Director. I knew from the beginning that I would love the opportunity to serve our overseas officers, but I did not realize just how much of my life I would want to invest and; the deep affection that would grow as I daily prepared, sent and ministered to each of our international officers. My goal was to be a blessing and a reflection of the Lord to those whom I served, but as it turned out, I was the one that was blessed beyond measure. The LORD has lavished me with an abundance of love that I would never have experienced if He had not placed me in this position. I will be forever grateful for this life changing experience. Thank you, my friends around the world, for enriching my life and for the lasting impression you have left upon my life.

In His Service,
Jean K. Deuel, Major

THANKS FOR ALL YOU GAVE DURING THESE PAST 5 YEARS. YOU WILL BE IN OUR PRAYERS AS YOU GO ON TO NEW RESPONSIBILITIES.

A WARM WELCOME IS EXTENDED TO MAJOR MARY HOLMES, THE NEW OVERSEAS PERSONNEL SERVICES DIRECTOR.. We will hear from Major Mary in the next issue.



*Retelling
Our
Adventures*

The Third Annual

International Service Fellowship Breakfast
Tuesday, August 16, 2016, 7:00 AM

Open to anyone who has served in an international appointment as well as those who have an interest in international service.

For more information or to reserve your spot, please contact
Major Evelyn Repass by July 20, 2016
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PRAYER CONCERNS: After you pray, why not drop the person or persons prayed for a line or send an email of encouragement and blessing. (Most are on Face Book)

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

MAJORS DAN & ALBA FORD – BRAZIL: as Divisional Leaders in Rio de Janeiro. Development of financial resources for Brazil and the success of the 2016 Olympics Ministry (those who will act as hosts, enthusiasm of International Ministry teams and development of social outreach). Also remember their son Dylan (15) and daughter Ariel now married and a new mother. Dan_ford@bra.salvationarmy.org

LT. COLONELS ALLAN & FIONA HOFER – SWITZERLAND, AUSTRIA & HUNGARY: as Chief Secretary and Territorial Secretary for Women’s Ministries. The Army in Switzerland cares for over 2500 refugees and helps to integrate them into society. Another challenge is the issue of euthanasia. It is already mandated in 2 states where the Army has Homes. Pray for guidance and wisdom in these situations. Allan.hofer@swi.salvationarmy.org

COLONELS WILLIS & BARBARA HOWELL – NEW ZEALAND, FIJI & TONGA: as Chief Secretary and Territorial Secretary for Women’s Ministries. Please pray for the ongoing relief efforts in Fiji. The General’s visit in July to Tonga in celebration of the Army’s 30th year. Territorial Congress in October that souls would be won to the Lord. Also remember their mothers who are 90+, in good health and live in Florida. Willis.howell@NZF.salvationarmy.org

COLONELS KELLY & DONNA IGLEHEART – SOUTH AFRICA: as Chief Secretary and Territorial Secretary for Women’s Ministries. The biggest need is for officers. They are about 50 officers short. Pray for the Congress in late September with the General. Thank God for the safe arrivals of the Genslers from the USA Eastern Territory who have been waiting for work permits for over 8 months to take up their appointment as Business Administrator. Kelly.igleheart@SAF.salvationarmy.org

CAPTAIN HOLLY NEEDHAM – UK: as Corps Officer for Dundee Central and Menziesshill Corps in Scotland. Pray for her transition to this part of the world and for the ministry she will have there. Holly.Needham@salvationarmy.org.uk

LT. ASHISH & CAPT. SANDRA PAWAR – UK: as Corps Officers at the Southwark Corps in a multicultural community in the London Central Division. Pray for their corps during July & August as they need to return to the US to deal with visas. They have folks to help on Sundays but there is no one to open the building during the week. Also don’t forget their daughters, Priya Grace (now 5) and Alina Rose (2). Ashish.pawar@salvationarmy.org.uk

CAPTAINS KEN & NEVA PHIOUTHONG– THAILAND: as Resource and Development Officers, they are working with a law firm to get the Army registered as a foundation. They continue to build relationships through ministry with school children, prisoners, hospital visitation and HIV programs, as well as, reaching out to Buddhists. Also remember their son Neville (now 16 this July). NEW address: Muban Pingdoi Lakeville, 170/23 Moo. 7, Soi Rattana Sakha, T. Pa Daet, A. Mueang, Chiang Mai 50100 Thailand nevaphi@yahoo.com

LTS. CHRISTOPHER & JESSICA WELCH – ITALY & GREECE: as Corps Officers of the Torre Pellice Corps, Italy. Pray that their congregation will be strengthened in their faith and that the corps will grow in number, as well as, receive the financial support needed. Pray for their new baby boy, Raphael Zane, born on June 3 and for their 2 year old son, Lian Matteo. christopherwelch@esercitodellasalvezza.org

MAJORS DIETER & BARBARA ZIMMERER – SPAIN: as Corps Officers of the Denia Corps and Directors of Camp Sharon Conference Center. Pray for their financial situation which leaves them overwhelmed with a feeling of helplessness, as well as, the physical demands of their appointment. More groups are needed to rent the camp. Remember daughter Christina (17 this July). dieterzimmerer@hotmail.com

We would like to recommend also that you pray from time to time for those others who are serving out of the Territory, not on “foreign” service but sometimes may feel like it!

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| Lt. Colonels Ron & Carol Busroe | Commissioners David & Barbara Jeffrey |
| Major Raymond Cooper III | Colonels Ken & Paula Johnson (USA East) |
| Majors Frank & Libby Duracher | Lt. Colonels Allen & Esther Satterlee |

PLEASE SHARE WITH OTHERS THESE NEEDS, AS YOUR PRAYERS DO MAKE THE DIFFERENCE.

In late 1890 a small group of Christian leaders formed the Central American Mission. In 1990 a book was published: *100...AND COUNTING*. The subtitle is “The Story of CAM’s First Century” (CAM International, Dallas, TX). Among early leaders were names like C. I. Scofield, Lewis Sperry Chafer, and Harry Ironsides. Modern-day Salvation Army missionaries have shared ministry with CAM personnel.

Great faith, deprivation, sickness and death, persecution, and miraculous provision are typical of the stories that fill the volume.

Charles Ryrie says: “Whether you are intrigued by the pioneers or stimulated by the innovators; whether you identify with those in foreign countries or those who wrestle at home with the direction and burdens of the organization, you will see the hand of our God at work.”

SPECIAL DATES COMING UP
(Birthdays unless otherwise noted)

JULY

- 1 Commissioner Barbara Jeffrey NHQ
- 22 Lt. Chris Welch ITALY
- 29 Neville Phiouthong (16) THAILAND
- 30 Christina Zimmerer (17) SPAIN

AUGUST

- 2 Commissioner David Jeffrey NHQ
- 10 Colonel Ken Johnson USA EAST
- 20 Captain Sandra Pawar ENGLAND


SEPTEMBER

- 12 Majors Frank & Libby Duracher NHQ (Anniversary)

OCTOBER

- 2 Captain Ken Phiouthong THAILAND
- 18 Major Dieter Zimmerer SPAIN
- 21 Major Barbara Zimmerer SPAIN
- 25 Lt. Ashish & Capt. Sandra Pawar ENGLAND (Anniversary)
- 29 Colonel Kelly Igleheart SOUTH AFRICA

When can I stop weeping o’er the lost?
When the last lost one is found.
When can I stop preaching salvation?
When the last sinner accepts Christ.
When can I stop praying for missionaries?
When no more missionaries are called to go.
Jaime Revadeo



ANSWER TO TRIVIA QUESTION
South Asia Zone
More than 25 officers have served there (mostly in India).