

THE MESSENGER

Faithful Perseverance in the Lord over Decades

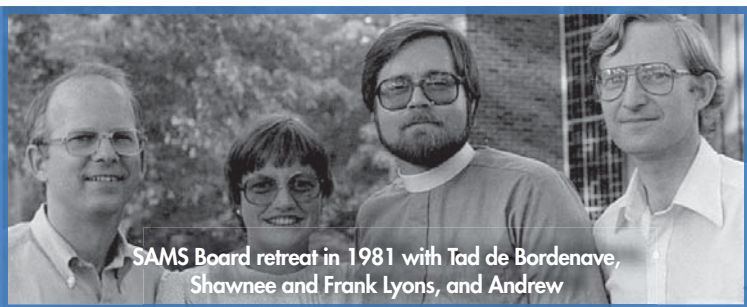
by Brendan Kimbrough

C.S. Lewis once said, “God knows our situation; He will not judge us as if we had no difficulties to overcome. What matters is the sincerity and perseverance of our will to overcome them.”

If that is what matters, then Andrew Osmun’s perseverance has resulted in a longer tenure of service to SAMS than anyone. His roles have been many – short-term missionary, prayer warrior, sender of multiple missionaries, long-time Board member, and many others – adding up to over 47 years of active involvement. So, it’s easy to assume that cross-cultural mission has always run through his veins, but by his own admission, the journey into mission started quite inauspiciously over tea and biscuits.

During an invitation to join a prayer tea with other Wycliffe Hall students, Andrew found himself praying for missionaries from a missionary society called SAMS, of which he had never heard.

Shortly thereafter, Andrew was hired as an assistant to serve with Rick Lobs, an early SAMS founder, at the parish in McKeesport, Pennsylvania. Andrew’s heart for mission was quite evident and Rick invited him to serve on the SAMS-USA Board that had just formed in 1976.



SAMS Board retreat in 1981 with Tad de Bordenave, Shawnee and Frank Lyons, and Andrew

Andrew recalls, “Mission was something I believed in, but was not evident in the Episcopal Church at the time, and I thought to myself, ‘what’s better than helping to begin a Society that would actually raise up and send missionaries?’”

“The thinking at the time among evangelicals was that you needed to establish a seminary and then establish a mission



Andrew at recent Board meeting and preparing Belizean acolytes in San Ignacio

society so that those who had an evangelical faith would in fact be able to be placed in situations where they could demonstrate it. The work early on was challenging in just getting the Society established and functioning with people qualified to lead it. We had no precedent on which to base a Society,” says Andrew.

Other challenges emerged including overcoming significant initial debt, identifying bishops to receive SAMS missionaries, finding generous Senders, and encouraging people to discern a call to serve as missionaries. Andrew was instrumental in placing the early missionaries in situations where they could be fruitful and with bishops who would support them well, despite financial limitations.

“In those early years when we were in debt,” said Andrew, “I suggested that we as a Board pray and fast weekly for a year so that God would provide the resources we needed. And we clearly began to see God at work through the generosity of key individuals and a large incoming class of missionaries who gave us a healthy footing. God blessed us in profound ways.”

In addition to following the Anglican model of working in partnership with Anglican churches overseas, Andrew says that “the sensibilities were for a Society that treated its missionary personnel with love, respect, care, and support from the get-go. These essential principles are enshrined in how we even today identify, assess, train, send, and support missionaries and their families.”

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Cate Waddell: Fully Living into God's Call in Honduras



Cate Waddell with her students at God's Little Lambs School

In college, Cate Waddell knew that she wanted to go to other countries. She also knew that she loved the Spanish language and teaching, both of which she had studied at North Carolina State. It wasn't long before the Lord opened a week-long opportunity through her aunt and uncle to serve children in Honduras at LAMB Institute, which nurtures and educates children at risk. "The kids impacted me. I just felt it," said Cate. "The kids

had these difficult childhood situations, but their love for God and each other was just amazing."

Later, a three-month opportunity to teach in Peru opened up. "I loved the teaching and being immersed in Spanish-language culture, but something was missing, just that connection." It was through that experience that God began giving her a focal point in which to steward her gifts and energy toward returning to LAMB to teach a bilingual class of first-grade children at God's Little Lambs School. "The value of education in a country like Honduras is not just for learning's sake, but it is helping families value education as well."

Through her year-long teaching ministry as a SAMS Bridger in 2023, God confirmed her call. After walking through a discernment process with SAMS, Cate is now a full-time Missionary back in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. As she teaches, Cate also looks forward to helping with the launch of the Joy Christian Academy, which will help expand Gospel ministry to more children!

Making Disciples goes Full-time

Lucy Chaves was born in Kenya, and after marrying, she and her husband David served as SAMS Missionaries in Nairobi. As their family grew, they felt led to relocate in the U.S., but continued as Associate Missionaries with SAMS through Kenya Connection, a ministry they started.

Working closely with partners across Kenya, David and Lucy empower Kenyan youth and young adults through education, mentorship, and business development. Lucy says, "The center of everything we do is about discipling young people to know and serve Christ with an eye towards making disciples who make disciples."

The Nairobi-based team sponsors scholarships for schoolchildren and has training programs at schools in Kilifi and Nairobi. There is also a program training youth in their media business, focusing on creating content with an emphasis on portraying the stories of the Gospel through changed lives. The primary ministry, however, continues to be reaching high school and college-aged students with the life-giving message of Jesus Christ.



Lucy Chaves speaks at a recent Alumni Dinner in Kenya

Due to growth of the ministry, Lucy feels led to expand her role. "We recognized the strategic need to build capacity, refine processes, and equip our team. It was time for me to say 'yes' to what I saw the Lord doing." Consequently, Lucy is returning to being a full-time Missionary with SAMS. Reflecting on their 16 years with SAMS in various roles, Lucy says, "God has been faithful to us, so we wanted to be preparing our people well as we lean on God and his faithfulness to us."



McCall Family



Amanda Scott



Steve & Debbie Buckner



Cate Waddell



Jack Melvin



Hilda Monzon



Vivanco Family



Russ & Heidi Smith



Benton Family

March 1-9: Missionary Bridgers (One to twelve-month missionary interns):

Give thanks for the ministries of: **Catherine Annand** (Uganda), **David & Sarah Anderson** (Southeast Asia and Europe), **Deb Carr** (Kenya), and **Patrick Lutalo** (Uganda). Pray that God's grace would lead them into fruitful service.

March 10-16: NORTH AMERICA: Mexico

Lift up **Roger & Joanne** as they mentor the pastor of a church start-up in Aguascalientes, Mexico. Pray also for their continued safety as they travel across Mexico to visit, serve, support, and encourage Anglican pastors. Pray for the pastors who are in online seminary courses with Trinity School in addition to their full-time jobs and ministry calling. Pray that the Lord would send other Anglican servants to work alongside Mexican pastors.

Join **Meredith** in praying that the Lord would provide a rector for La Iglesia del Gran Pastor, and that He would work mightily in the lives of the youth, that they would grow in their maturity in the Lord.

March 17-23: CENTRAL AMERICA: Honduras

Give thanks to God for **Suzy McCall, Amanda Scott, Steve & Debbie Buckner, and Cate Waddell** in Tegucigalpa, serving at LAMB Institute with children at risk. Pray that all goes smoothly as the construction of the new daycare center begins with an eye towards opening in late 2024/early 2025. Ask the Lord to bless the plans for the construction of Joy Christian Academy, offering bilingual education to children and families in San Buenaventura. Give thanksgiving to God for the babies that are flourishing, as well as for the three young people in the Transition Program who plan to graduate university this year. Pray that they will all find employment and that the other students will advance in their studies.

March 24-30: CENTRAL AMERICA: Honduras

Pray for **Jack Melvin's** Ministry of Presence, the scholarship children, and the outreach to the poor. Also pray for the construction of the retreat center and Jack's home in Copan Ruinas.

March 31-April 6: CENTRAL AMERICA: Costa Rica

Pray for renewed strength for **Hilda Monzon** in San José, and that the church there will make disciples faithfully.

April 7-13: SOUTH AMERICA: Ecuador

Pray for **Roberto & Cameron, Graham, Liam, and Francis Vivanco** in Quito, for Roberto's ministry as Worship Pastor, for Cameron as she directs the Education Equals Hope program, and for a new Team Leader for the team of missionaries in Quito. Please pray for the students and families that the Vivanco's ministry impacts, for the Vivanco children in their studies, and for peace and stability in the country of Ecuador.

April 14-20: SOUTH AMERICA: Chile

Pray with **Russ & Heidi Smith** who have just completed their Home Ministry Assignment from January through March, 2024. Give thanks for the good visits with supporting churches. Pray as the Smiths resume ministry at the Kingdom of God Church after two years away. Pray for Gino Rupayan, a recent seminary graduate, who will work alongside Russ. Pray for the new students beginning their ten months at the Rural Bible Institute and their roles as teachers there. Pray for the growth of the Moms in Prayer into schools where it has not yet been, and for Heidi, who is the area coordinator.

April 21-27: OCEANIA: New Zealand

Join **Guy & Summer, Isaac, Quinn, Norah, and Addison Benton** in praying for the children, youth, and young adult ministries they are leading in the parish in Wellington. The ministries are bearing fruit through growth; pray that God would provide the Bentons with what they need to support that growth well. Also ask that they would make connections in their community and for the faith conversations that are emerging.



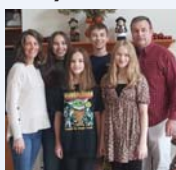
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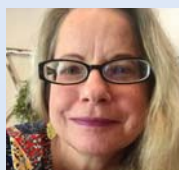
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Janine LeGrand



Weber Family



Cathy Clevenger

April 28-May 4: ASIA: Cambodia

Join **Gregory & Heidi, Saeeda, Brynne, Aubrey, Ivy, and Madeleine Whitaker** in Phnom Penh as they intercede for Cambodia. Pray for the poor and vulnerable, especially those at risk of human trafficking. Lift up the Church of Christ Our Peace as its three congregations (Khmer, English, and Chinese) reach out, and as they plant another church. May the Whitakers thrive, including Saeeda and Brynne, at university.

Pray for **Anthony & Anna, Laurel, Bethel, Priel, and Isobel Pelloni** in Cambodia. In January, Anthony started seminary classes as well as continuing language study while interning at the church plant. Please pray specifically for his spiritual formation in and through all these things. Pray for Anna and their family as they welcome their fifth child and for the early days of newborn life directly thereafter. Pray that Anthony will be able to have conversations in Khmer with Cambodians about Bible topics by this summer and that his language learning will progress.

Lift up Candidates **Eric & Liz, Zeke, and Elias Larson** as they raise up Senders for their missionary service. May God be with them as they serve their community and prepare for future ministry.

May 5-11: ASIA: Indonesia

Pray with **James & Nanci, Anna, George, Mary, and Della Long** as Providence Anglican Church Jakarta intensifies its focus on Indonesian and Farsi language ministries. Ask for the Lord's provision, protection, and power. May He grant their Farsi pastor deepened knowledge and understanding of His Word as he continues his online seminary studies.

May 12-18: Kenya

Pray for **David & Lucy, Joshua, Paul, Zuri, and Mark Chaves** as they lead the various ministries of Kenya Connection. Pray especially for strength for Lucy to remain faithful and vibrant as the ministry continues to grow. Pray for God's provision as a new school structure is built in Kilifi, Kenya. Also ask the Lord to bless Lucy with wisdom on how best to lead and equip her staff members. Give thanksgiving to God for the meaningful partnerships that have formed with other ministries.

May 19-25: Zambia and Malawi

Lift up **April Sylvester** ministering in Ndola, Zambia. Pray that Zambians would experience restoration in mental health through her work. Pray for her graduate studies in mental health.

Pray for **Robert & Traci, Andrew, Peter, Daniel, and June Gresser**, as they adjust to living in Malawi. Their arrival was delayed, but pray that they hit the ground running as the semester is underway and children's schools have started. Pray that Bob's ministry at the Leonard Kamungu Anglican School will flourish, and that they would settle well into their new home. Pray for the health of their son Andrew.

May 26-June 1: AFRICA: Rwanda

Pray for **Wade & Chelsea, and Evelyn Weeldreyer** ministering in Kigali, Rwanda. May God bear fruit through their efforts in strengthening churches and equipping church leaders through the ministry of East African Christian College.

Ben & Cherie, May, Conor, Abigail, Jonathan, Michaela, and Shiloh Weber are praising the Lord for a smooth move to Gahini, Rwanda, last year. Please pray as they continue to learn Kinyarwanda and begin to discern how best to come alongside the churches in the Diocese of Gahini.

June 2-8: AFRICA: Uganda

Pray that **Janine LeGrand** would be protected from the many infectious diseases that she encounters in the Diocese of Masindi where she serves. Pray for the final development and implementation of a revamp of her water, sanitation, hygiene, and nutrition education ministry with an increased emphasis on money-saving and health-giving tips. Lift up Janine as she visits supporters during her Home Ministry Assignment.

Intercede for **Cathy Clevenger** in Masindi as she begins a new ministry offering mental health and trauma counseling at a refugee camp. Pray that she may be equipped with all she needs to make known the love of Christ. *(This week's prayers continued on the next page.)*



Richard & Martha Menees



Jessica Hughes



Richard & Catherine Ranger



David & Patricia Ayres



Kerry & Cynthia Buttram



Johann & Louise Vanderbijl



Jack & Mary McDonald



Behrens Family



Todd & Patsy McGregor

Lift up to the Lord **Richard & Martha Menees** serving in the Diocese of Kigezi. Pray for the successful development of a program to raise clergy knowledge for the practice of Word-based ministry and preaching. Pray that the Menees can continue to gather good biblical commentaries and other preaching aids to produce biblically literate and faithful clergy and lay people. Pray that the Lord would provide the financial resources to purchase and import the best books. Pray for a productive trip back to the U.S.

June 9-15: AFRICA: Uganda

Please pray for continued healing for **Jessica Hughes**, and for her to continue to grow closer to the Lord in her spiritual direction certificate program.

Lift up **Richard & Catherine Ranger's** ministry at Uganda Christian University. Pray for guidance for Richard on how he might assist UCU with strategic opportunities as well as writing an account of their service in Africa. Pray that Catherine's new *Anchored* ministry with the Madi-Okollo community will take root and grow and that she will be guided in what her future consultative or mentoring role might be.

June 16-22: AFRICA: Northern Africa

Lift up **J&K** as they continue to serve in North Africa. Pray for wisdom and compassion as they minister to the international and persecuted church, refugees, and the local community. May the light of Christ shine.

June 23-29: EUROPE: Germany

Pray with **David & Patricia Ayres** that hearts may be stirred for the heart of Europe; that the Gospel of Jesus might be faithfully proclaimed and humbly received in the city of Berlin. Also, give thanksgiving to God for Patricia's successful cancer surgery with special gratitude that her recent biopsy shows that she is now cancer-free. Join them in praying for her complete recovery as they both continue in ministry.

June 30-July 6: EUROPE

Pray that **Steve V.** would have opportunities to impact the people of his country with the Gospel. Pray for wisdom in sharing the Lord with friends who don't know Him. Pray that informal spiritual direction meetings with local Christians would bear spiritual fruit. Pray for more Senders and that his Senders may experience God's unconditional love.

July 7-13: EUROPE: The Netherlands

Pray that **Kerry & Cynthia Buttram** in Amsterdam will regularly see people hungering for God as the Holy Spirit draws people from all ages and backgrounds to their Gospel ministry at Christ Church. Pray for Cynthia as she works diligently to complete her training course in Spiritual Direction.

Pray with **Johann & Louise Vanderbijl** that the upcoming season will be a spiritually uplifting time at Christ Church Heiloo, as they plan and prepare the church for outreach to families. Ask the Lord to bless their Annual Men's Day as well as for the Women's Retreat. Pray that the Lord will provide a focused time of study as the Vanderbijl's travel to Greece for a 10-day study tour. Pray for the release of Johann's commentary on Galatians.

July 14-20: NORTH AMERICA: United States of America

Pray with **Mary & Jack McDonald** in Blacksburg, VA, for the expansion of the Anglican Creation Care Ministry Network. Ask the Lord to draw international students at Virginia Tech to himself. Also intercede for spiritual and physical healing for the McDonald family, and that Mary's upcoming speaking engagements in California, Virginia, and Bolivia, as part of the Christian Veterinary Mission, would be blessed.

Join **Daniel & Rebekah, Sabal, Darcy, and Mary Behrens** in praying for the refugee ministry in Pittsburgh, PA, as they partner with churches to share the love and truth of Christ with refugees and other recent immigrants, especially from Latin America and the Middle East.

July 21-27: NORTH AMERICA: United States of America

Pray for **Todd & Patsy McGregor** in Hobe Sound, FL, as Todd serves as SAMS Mission Coach. Pray for his life coaching and discernment and continued partnership with the Diocese of Mahajanga in Madagascar. Pray for Patsy during her writing sabbatical and transition to her new position as Assistant Rector at St. Marks, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.

(This week's prayers continued on the next page.)



Anne Schaffer



Miller Family



Twitchell Family



Alenskis Family

Lift up **Anne Schaffer** in Charleston, SC, that she might be filled with wisdom and the Holy Spirit's guidance as she coaches SAMS missionaries who are learning a variety of different languages in a variety of cultures. Please pray that they can better communicate with those they serve as well as for the cultural stresses and challenges that SAMS Missionaries face.

Pray with **Mike & Kim, Liliana, and Katherine Miller** in Florida as they launch a new TCK Care program through SAMS and minister to missionary families by coaching, debriefing, and encouraging them on the field. Pray for the Lord to raise up churches and individuals passionate about caring well for missionaries. Pray for the Lord to grow the Miller's partnership with Compass Ministries.

July 28-August 3: NORTH AMERICA: United States of America

Pray for the Lord to guide **Nate & Erika, Henry, Annie, George, and Jack Twitchell**, and that He would order their steps as they prepare for overseas service. Give them an extra measure of grace as they hold both grief and gratitude in this period of transition.

August 4-10: NORTH AMERICA: Canada

Lift up **David & Mary Beth, Austin, James, and Lily Alenskis** in Toronto. Pray for David's continued progress in writing his dissertation. Please ask the Lord to protect and uphold their health and for upcoming medical procedures. Pray also for the Lord's guidance in granting clear discernment in their placement, and especially on their trips to the various locations where they may serve.

August 11-17: Associate Missionaries (USA-based, globally-focused volunteers)

Lift up to the Lord **Jesse & Sarah Blaine** (missionary coaching and church planting), **Chuck & Beth Bradshaw** (theological and musical education in Uganda), **Mary Chowenhill** (entrepreneurial development in Uganda), **Matt & Sora Colvin** (theological education and health ministry), **Bunny Cowan** (teaching in Honduras), **Jeannie Loving** (social outreach in Honduras), **Wayne & Nicole Curtis** (youth ministry in South Africa), **Kathy Decker** (communications in Peru), **Abraham & Daruka Nhial** (ministry in South Sudan), and **Trent Pettit** (Ethiopia/global Anglican mission partnerships).

August 18-24: Associate Missionaries (USA-based, globally-focused volunteers)

Lift up to the Lord **John & Ninfa Dixon** (outreach on the Mexican border), **Cathy Donahoe** (health ministry in the Dominican Republic), **Chris Feuillade** (education in Chile), **Rusty & Tammy Firestone** (church development in Bolivia), **Tom & Maryjane Furrer** (health ministry in Nigeria), **Margarita Grachen** (children's ministry in Honduras), **Allen & Rachel Hill** (theological education), **Mike & Betty Kaszer** (education ministry in Honduras), **Grant & Wendy LeMarquand** (diocesan development in Ethiopia), **Jacky Lowe** (women's ministry in Madagascar), and **Frank & Shawnee Lyons** (youth ministry).

August 25-31: Associate Missionaries (USA-based, globally-focused volunteers)

Lift up to the Lord **Ian & Polly Montgomery** (diocesan ministry in Peru), **John & Susan Park** (leadership development in Latin America), **Ana Reid** (social ministries in Honduras), **Maunette Tait** (education in Honduras), **Hunter & Stephie Van Wagenen** (evangelism in Spain), and **Jared & Abbi Wensyel** (church planting in Germany).

SAMS Family

Pray for SAMS home staff: **Denise Cox, Nita Dempsey, Brendan Kimbrough, Julie Kirik, Howard McClellan, Dana Priest, Dale Schartner and Stewart Wicker**, as they support, encourage and help equip missionaries and mobilize the church here in the USA and globally.

Pray that the Lord would raise up new **inquirers and applicants** discerning next steps in the mission field to which they are being called whether in the USA or abroad. Pray that He would raise up short-term **Bridgers** as well.

Give thanks to the Lord for all **Senders** and their Gospel-focused commitment to pray, financially support, and encourage Missionaries in a partnership focused on "making disciples of all nations."

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If you ask Andrew, he can tell you story after story from his work in the field with SAMS Missionaries over the years. Yet, in the face of the attractiveness and draw to doing the actual mission work himself, Andrew says, “over time I learned that there was a role for those who stay and send, in addition to those who go. It became clear to me that, by grace, that was to be my role; to stay and serve on the Board but to also be an active Sender of missionaries. The staff and Board were very supportive and even though it was painful for me, I persevered.”

Cultivating and nourishing relationships with others lies at the center of Gospel work wherever it may be, and for Andrew, the relationships have meant everything to him. He is still actively involved in support of two missionary families and a regular encourager of the home staff.

“To be a good listener and to understand what goes on with missionaries at the different stages of their work abroad has allowed me to pray with intelligence, to listen with intelligence, and to help patiently nourish what has grown to be a significant community. It’s not rigid. I liken SAMS to a family, in the best sense of the word, to a place of real belonging, a place with a sense of wanting to hear stories and tell stories, but especially of wanting to tell the greatest story that could ever be told.”

Faithful Perseverance

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