

# Home Missions Today

This is Al Tricarico reporting the April 12, 2023, edition of Home Missions Today. God is using your prayers to develop the ministries of Orthodox Presbyterian mission works across North America.

## **PASADENA, CA — Pasadena OPC, Matt & Lois Cotta**



Join us in giving thanks to the Lord for the recent particularization of Pasadena OPC on March 12, 2023. By God's grace, Larry McHarge and Nathan deBoom were installed as elders, and Craig Ives was ordained and installed as deacon. Additionally, Isaac Zhou was licensed in the Presbytery of Southern California and continues to serve in Pasadena, ministering particularly among the Chinese speaking members and visitors of the congregation. Pastor Matt Cotta gives thanks for the Lord's kindness and provision in bringing all these things about and is grateful for your prayers on their behalf.

## **GUAYAMA, PR — Iglesia Presbiteriana Sola Escritura, Bradney & Eileen Lopez**



Pastor Bradney Lopez is thankful that the number of visitors to Lord's Day worship has increased, with new people in attendance almost every week. In addition, three new members will be received this month, and on the 19<sup>th</sup> of April Sola Escritura will be particularized. The church body, especially Rev. Lopez, is looking forward to this with much anticipation and thanksgiving. Even still, Pastor Bradney asks that you pray the Lord would provide new opportunities for outreach and that the members would unashamedly proclaim the gospel throughout the island.

## **WACO, TX — Trinity Presbyterian Church, Miller & Stephanie Ansell**



The Lord has been and continues to be faithful to Trinity Presbyterian Church, bringing new members into the fellowship, providing sufficient financial resources, and blessing various studies with good attendance and growth. One group is reading through Calvin's *Institutes* together and has been a sort of outreach, drawing several new contacts. Other Bible studies are also attracting neighbors and others. Having received nine new members and established many new contacts, the session is looking forward to implementing elder visits this year. Please pray that these visits encourage the spiritual health of the congregation. Also pray that Trinity Presbyterian would be faithful to preach Christ crucified and be known as a Christ-centered church, and that these recent contacts and visitors would stay and be welcomed into the body.

## **PRESBYTERY OF THE MIDWEST — Bruce Hollister**



RHM Bruce Hollister is thankful for the opportunity to encourage church planting throughout the Midwest. Please pray for the weekly outreach Bible study that he leads in Dwight, IL. There are no Reformed churches within 40 miles of Dwight, and ten to twelve people regularly attend this study. Pray that the Lord would gather a "network of thirsty souls!" Pray also for a new core group that has been established in Peoria, IL. Rev. Hollister leads this group as they meet twice a month for study, fellowship, and prayer. There are currently six families committed to this endeavor. Praise God! Finally, pray for a Chinese congregation that is affiliated with Providence OPC in Madison, WI. The Rev. Joseph Wan, recently installed at Providence, ministers to this congregation-within-a-congregation. These Chinese-speaking brethren would like to be formed and recognized as a mission work of the presbytery (PWM), with the goal of one day becoming a new and separate congregation of the OPC. May Christ be glorified!

