## FOWLERS



## PANAMA

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## their story

Jon and Bianca grew up in Pittsburgh and were high school sweethearts. They both graduated from West Allegheny High School and then Olivet Nazarene University in Illinois. In 2000, they were married. After graduation, Jon served as the youth pastor at The Bible Chapel from 2001-2008. As part of this role, Jon led the first mission trip to Panama in the summer of 2006. The youth came back with an excitement about what the Lord was doing in Panama and that excitement had a transforming effect on the rest of the congregation at the church, igniting a passion for missions. It had a transforming effect on Jon as well. His excitement and passion for youth ministry was joined by his newfound passion for missions.

Jon and Bianca moved to Panama in 2015 and led the first ever ReachGlobal team there with the vision of discipling and building up the Panamanian Church; working with vulnerable children and indigenous people and church planting. Then in June 2019, the Fowlers left ReachGlobal to take the position of Ministry Coordinator with Word of Life (WOL) Panama. WOL is an evangelistic ministry, mainly focused on children and youth. They use Bible Clubs and camp ministry, in addition to other events throughout the year, to reach the next generation with the gospel of Christ.As Ministry Coordinator, Jon is responsible for the health of the WOL team, the vision and direction of the ministry, while also overseeing the WOL camp property in Chame. Jon and Bianca have three boys-Ethan 15; 'Ezra 13; and Elijah 10.

## recent prayer requests

Praises:

- Praise the Lord that our financial situation is improving.
- Our whole team has recovered from Covid.
- Praise the Lord for the fact that our team support has been strong and getting stronger over the past 2 years.
- Praise the Lord we had a good meeting with the local architects here in Panama.

Prayer:

- Pray for Ethan (our oldest). This is his last year of high school and then he will be going to college in the states. Pray for his future plans and direction.
- Pray for all three of our boys as they start back to school.
- Pray for team unity and motivation.
- Pray for camp in 2022 and Bible clubs.
- Pray for Jon's trip to the Darien on August 28.
  We will do evangelism with refugees.
- Pray for the Women's conference on October 2.
- Pray for our desire to do ministry in 3 new areas: The Darien, The City of Colon and Veraguas.
- Pray for Cano who is still taking chemotherapy and for Luis' health.