

meet the **FOWLERS**



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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 joined EFCA ReachGlobal in April 2012. They spent a year and a half raising their support and left for language training in Costa Rica in January 2014. In December 2015, they moved to Panama to begin their work there. Jon is leading a team focused on building up godly Christian leaders and planting biblically-sound, evangelical churches. He is discipling a group of Panamanian pastors and also working with two different indian pastors. The Fowlers also offer English classes, using the classes as a way to share the Gospel. In 2018, they hope to launch a child sponsorship program and Jon is temporarily pastoring a church in order to give the pastor a much-needed respite. Jon and Bianca have three boys – Ethan, 15 years old; Ezra, 12 years old; and Elijah, 9 years old. Bianca spends much of her time homeschooling their boys.

prayer requests

Praise the Lord that Sarah Kolaczynski is almost fully funded! The hope she is in Panama by Christmas!

Pray for Jon and his work load and stress levels. Sometimes it gets really hard for Jon to balance it all and he feels like there's not enough to go around. Pray like Solomon, that God would grant Jon wisdom and help him to lead his team well.

Pray for Jon that when he feels weak, that God will strengthen him and give him proper balance between ministry and family.

Pray for the Fowler boys as they continue with homeschool and seek other activities to be involved in. Pray for wisdom and patience for Bianca and that the boys apply themselves to their studies.

Pray for the upcoming Global Fingerprints (child sponsorship program) retreat in November. Pray that God would guide the leaders of this ministry into His plans and purposes.

Pray for the Fowlers' ministry account to be stronger. They are consistently bringing in less than they need. Please pray that God moves on the hearts of more people to financially and prayerfully partner with them.