

## CALLED TO SERVE WITH THE LOVE OF CHRIST

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### Preethi Emmanuel & Emmanuel Joseph



#### Ministry Journey

Emmanuel and Preethi have been faithfully serving Jesus since 2015, ministering across India and Europe with a heart to reach the lost and build Christ-centered communities. Together, they launched PREM Ministries—named after the Hindi word for LOVE—to share the love of God with those who feel far from home, far from hope, and far from Him. PREM also beautifully stands as an acronym formed from the first two letters of Preethi and Emmanuel. While many Indian immigrants have left their homeland in search of better jobs, education, and living conditions, many also find themselves struggling with isolation, spiritual emptiness, and a loss of identity. In the pursuit of success, many feel disconnected from family, culture, and their deeper purpose in life.

Emmanuel and Preethi believe that Jesus is the answer to this spiritual vacuum. With a vision rooted in the Great Commission and the heart of the Good Shepherd, they are now planting Hindi-speaking community churches across Europe—starting in Poland—where the Indian diaspora can hear the Gospel in their own language, worship in their cultural context, and experience the love and grace of God through authentic fellowship.

#### About the Project – Mission Europe 3:7

Mission Europe 3:7 is more than just a church plant—it is the birth of a spiritual home where immigrants and displaced individuals can find healing, purpose, and renewed identity in Christ. It is a sanctuary for the orphaned heart, a refuge for the lonely, and a living testimony to the transformative power of the Gospel.

This mission is designed to reach those wrestling with isolation, cultural disconnection, family pressures, and the quiet weight of unmet expectations. Embracing the diversity of Europe's immigrant population, Mission Europe 3:7 aims to plant seven culturally rooted churches across Europe, grounded in three essential goals that define the mission's impact.

We begin this journey with the Indian Community Church—serving one of the largest and fastest-growing diaspora groups in the region—as the first of the seven churches.

Emmanuel and Preethi invite you to partner with them in this calling—to bring the hope and love of Jesus to the nations, starting with the Indian diaspora in Europe.

*“I will search for the lost and bring back the strays... I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak.” — Ezekiel 34:16*

## DISCERNMENT TO THEIR CALLING

### City Church Warsaw

Emmanuel & Preethi have lived out the Gospel through personal encounters, worship, and community outreach. Through every challenge and break-through, their story has become a living testimony to the faithfulness, love, and justice of the one true God. Wherever they have gone, their lives have inspired others to believe, reminding people that God's love reaches all nations and every heart willing to receive Him.

Their journey took a pivotal turn in 2017 when, after experiencing personal and professional transitions, the Lord led them to commit more intentionally to serve in Poland. There, they began collaborating with Pastor Tim and Renata to help build and grow City Church Warsaw, a vibrant community of English-speaking believers from diverse nations.

Within City Church, Preethi served as administrator, handling coordination and communication. Emmanuel oversaw finances and outreach ministries, including key work with Smile Warsaw, an initiative serving the homeless and vulnerable on the streets of the city.

### A Light in the Darkness

*"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." — John 1:5*

In 2019, as the world reeled from the devastating impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, churches across the globe were forced into isolation. With international borders closing and fear spreading, many expatriates and believers left Poland to return to their home countries. As a result, City Church Warsaw's once-vibrant community began to fade, and spiritual connection was challenged like never before.

At the peak of this uncertainty, when hope was scarce and human connection was disrupted, Emmanuel—alongside Mark Murray & Debbie Murray—stepped into the gap. With a burning desire to see lives restored and faith revived, they worked tirelessly to rebuild the church through digital fellowship, online worship, in-house Sunday service with limited gatherings. The Church—the Body of Christ—led a resilient and unwavering outreach to revive a community that endured one of the most unprecedented times in human history.



Photo: Near Warsaw Central Station & Palace of Culture & Science



Photo: With Pastor Tim & Renata in City Church Warsaw



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### **A place where you belong - The Essence of Community**

During this time, Emmanuel observed something deeply significant: people were desperate for God and were eager to hear His voice and be with people who make them feel safe and secure both mentally and spiritual—they were longing for community. They craved the embrace of fellowship, the joy of praying together, and the love of being known as children of God. He saw how vital it is to have brothers and sisters in Christ around you—not related by blood, but bound by Spirit.



Photo: Picture taken during Covid-19 of Warsaw Palace of Culture & Science

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Photo: City Church Warsaw and the Smile Warsaw serving the homeless community every Sundays

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That is when the word “Community” took on new meaning to explain what life really means. It became a spiritual necessity, a place of healing and belongingness. This revelation birthed a vision to plant and support churches that are not just places of worship, but homes of hope, where discipleship and real relationships flourish.

This became a defining revelation for Emmanuel—that the Church is not merely a building or a Sunday gathering, but a spiritual home where people encounter God as their loving Father and discover what it truly means to be His children. It is a place of belonging, not just attendance—a family where every heart finds its purpose, place and an identity in the Kingdom of God.

*And “I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty. II Corinthians 6:18*

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### Hope in Crisis: Ukrainian Relief Ministry



A Photo taken by Emmanuel on his visit to the Medyka border to help Ukrainian refugees find hope, help and security.

In February 2022, the world watched in horror as war erupted between Russia and Ukraine. Millions of lives were uprooted overnight. Poland became a safe corridor for refugees fleeing violence, with over 1.5 million Ukrainians crossing the border within the first few weeks.

Emmanuel, filled with compassion and conviction, knew he had to respond. He personally traveled to the Polish-Ukrainian border at Medyka, where thousands of Ukrainian refugees—mothers, children, and the elderly—were arriving in desperate search of safety and hope. What struck him most was the selfless love of the Polish people, opening their homes and hearts to strangers.

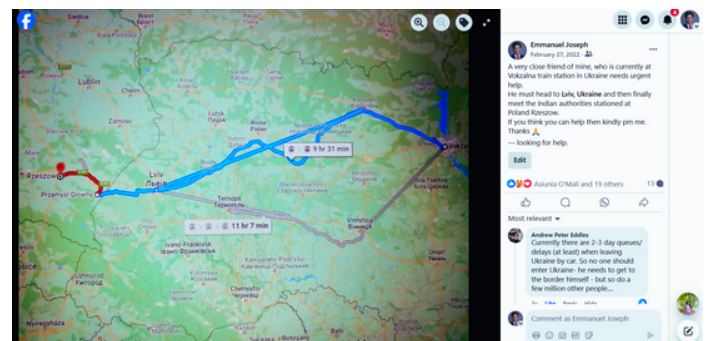
Moved by the Holy Spirit, Emmanuel journeyed to Rzeszów to assess needs and offer help. This step of faith sparked the launch of the City Church Ukrainian Relief Ministry under Emmanuel's leadership. Through this initiative, the church mobilized resources—distributing:

- Daily meals & essential supplies
- Cash support for emergency needs
- Clothing & hygiene kits
- Temporary housing & shelter connections

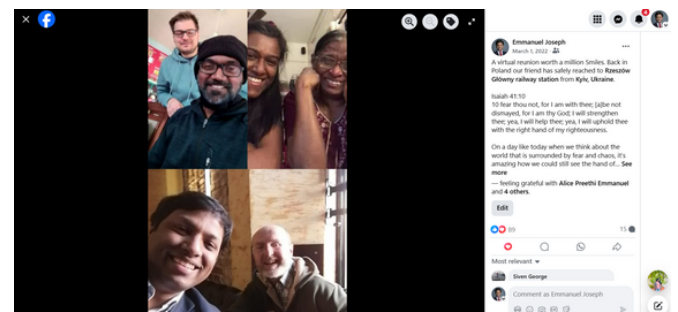
“The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ No other commandment is greater than these.” — Mark 12:31

Impact Snapshot: In the first few months, hundreds of refugee families received care through City Church’s coordinated efforts.

“The LORD is near to the brokenhearted; He saves the contrite in spirit.— Psalm 34:18



A post on Facebook posted by Emmanuel to help one his friends return to the Polish border from Kyiv, Ukraine at the time of war.



A post on Facebook posted by Emmanuel on his friends's safe return to Poland and the virtual reunion with his family back in India.



## DISCERNMENT TO THEIR CALLING

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Soon after, Emmanuel, together with Brother Preston Smith, Sister Christina Vicker, and Sister Aloma Locolano, drove to the Ukrainian border, helping refugees access basic supplies and immediate care. Around the same time, Pastor Scott Curley from City Church Warsaw, along with Brother Chris Meyer, also traveled from Warsaw to Medyka to support relief efforts on the ground.

Later, through the support of former City Church Warsaw members, Sister Paulyn Woodburn and Brother Philip Woodburn, Emmanuel partnered with several Christian NGOs to expand the outreach across Warsaw—providing both practical aid and spiritual comfort to those displaced and in crisis.

This ongoing mission stands as a powerful testimony to God's mercy and the Church in action, showing His love through compassion, unity, and service during one of the most difficult humanitarian moments in recent history.



Emmanuel with Pastor Scott Curley, Sis. Christina Vicker, and Sis Aloma Locolano, Bro. Preston Smith and Sis. Grazyna Smith, Bro. Chris Meyer and Max Meyer, and Bro. Henryk Podsiadly founder of Joy Foundation with our Ukrainian friends and members of City Church Warsaw. City Church Warsaw had the privilege of participating in a major food relief mission, helping load 33 vans with essential supplies—including food and beverages, clothing for men and women, toiletries, and children's items. These vans crossed the Polish borders and distribute the aid across various war-torn regions in Ukraine.



### A New Chapter Begins

Currently, Emmanuel, Preethi, and their son are based in India, but their hearts remain deeply tied to Poland. After years of balancing secular careers with mission work, they continue to pursue every opportunity to glorify Christ. Emmanuel's professional journey has included work with startups and corporations across Europe, the Middle East, and India—offering innovative technology solutions and strategic partnerships. Yet his deepest calling remains unchanged: to serve Jesus and build His Church.

Emmanuel and Preethi are now ministering as team members with Communitas International in the church plant mission projects since 14 July 2025.

As Emmanuel and Preethi step into their next chapter, they are prayerfully preparing and gathering the resources, tools, and partnerships needed to fulfill God's calling through their Church Plant Mission in Poland and across Europe. With hearts full of faith and hands ready to serve, they trust the Lord for open doors, divine connections, and supernatural provisions.

As a community of believers, let us stand with them in prayer—for protection, wisdom, and abundant provision—so that they may lack nothing in the work ahead. May God go before them, prepare the soil, and bring forth a harvest of souls through this mission. Together, we believe that what God begins, He will bring to completion—for His glory and the advancement of His Kingdom in Poland and beyond.

Join us in prayer, support, and partnership as Emmanuel and Preethi step into this new season of Kingdom work—faithfully answering the call to be a light in the heart of Europe.

*“And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it— Matthew 16:18*

