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From local connections to international relationships, SSID has a balanced approach to meeting the world heart-forward. There is no compromising the gospel message for the sake of individual or bureaucratic gain. As political tensions rise around the world, it is ever more important to stay rooted in the power of community. Please join in praying for our roots – those that nourish us most immediately, and those that connect us to our brothers and sisters around the world.

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