

Missions @ Grace

Biblical Philosophy
Missions Policy



***“The supreme task of the
Church is the evangelization
of the world.”***

Oswald J. Smith

Great Commission

- “Go therefore and **make disciples** of all the nations, **baptizing them** in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, **teaching them** to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” (Matthew 28:19-20)

***“The mission of the church
is missions.”***

Oswald J. Smith

MISSIONS – CROSS CULTURES

Romans 15:18 For I will not presume to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me, resulting in the obedience of the Gentiles by word and deed,

19 in the power of signs and wonders, in the power of the Spirit; so that from Jerusalem and round about as far as Illyricum I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.

“and round about....”

- **Jerusalem:** the starting point for Paul's missionary journeys.
- **Illyricum:** the northwestern side of Greece, it represented a significant western extent of Paul's missionary journeys.



Focus of the Missionary 18,19

- **Single Message**
 - speak nothing but...the Gospel of Christ
- **Single Savior**
 - except what Christ has done
- **Single Method**
 - power of the Spirit
- **Single Goal**
 - all the World

***“The church that does not
evangelize will fossilize.”***

Oswald J. Smith

MISSIONS – PIONEERING

20 And thus I aspired to preach the gospel, not where Christ was already named, so that I would not build on another man's foundation;

Faith of the Missionary 20

- Go where God is leading
- Go where God is blessing

***“Why should anyone hear
the Gospel twice, before
everyone has heard it once?”***

Oswald J. Smith

MISSIONS – GOOD NEWS

21 but as it is written,

“THEY WHO HAD NO NEWS OF HIM
SHALL SEE,

AND THEY WHO HAVE NOT HEARD
SHALL UNDERSTAND.” **Isaiah 52:15**

Fruit of the Missionary 21

- Gospel is Good News
- Gospel is light in darkness
- Gospel is hope in death

***“You must go or
send a substitute.”***

Oswald J. Smith

Growing in Christ to Grow Others

- Evangelism – First Missionary Journey – Acts 13,14
- Leadership – Second Missionary Journey – Acts 15-18
- Shepherds – Third Missionary Journey – Acts 18-21
- **“The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.” 2 Tim 2:2**

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.” Acts 1:8

CULTURALLY DIFFERENT

CULTURALLY SIMILAR

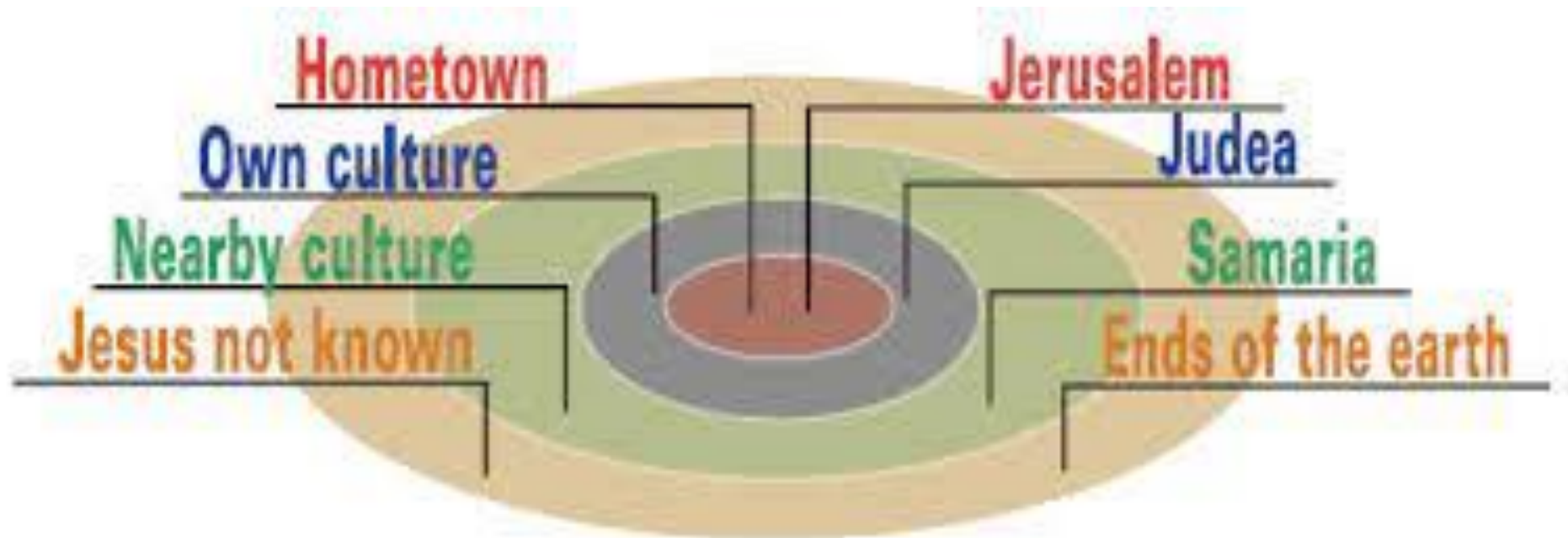


GEOGRAPHICALLY CLOSE

GEOGRAPHICALLY FAR

Grace Missions Purpose

- Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, World – Acts 1:8
- Making disciples who make disciples – Matt 28:19,20
- Teaching those who will teach others also – 2 Tim 2:2



“As I urged you on my departure to Macedonia, you should stay on at Ephesus to instruct certain men not to teach false doctrines.” **1 Timothy 1:3**

“For this reason I left you in Crete, that you would set in order what remains and appoint elders in every city as I directed you” **Titus 1:5**

General Support

Grace supports Missions and Missionaries in

3 general ways:

- 1) monthly support
- 2) special needs or projects
- 3) short term projects

Missions Income

Grace receives offerings from the Grace family as designated funds for Missions and Missionaries approved by the Church Family and Leadership. The Missions Committee interviews and investigates the Mission and Missionary to make recommendations to the Church Family and Leadership. The budget of Grace Missions is to be within the designated funds.

General Support

- A Mission or Missionary approved by the Church family and Leadership may be supported, increased and given additional support for any of the three methods above. Also, short term funds and trips may be sent from Grace to any of our supported Missions or Missionaries.

General Support

- If a Mission or Missionary is not suitable to continue a partnership with Grace, the Missions Committee will arrange for that support to end appropriately.

Special Needs and Projects

- Support can be approved for Missions or Missionaries outside our General Support with approval by the Missions Committee and the Church Leadership. The Mission and Missionary is still expected to be in line with Grace Bible Church doctrine and mission.

Short Term Missions

- Grace can send qualified volunteers to Missions or Missionaries already approved by the Grace Missions Committee and Leadership. These are usually independently funded and will not typically use General Support funds. (The Pastor or his designee may be sent to serve with General Support funds to Grace Missions partners)

Grace Missions Committee

- A team of men and women will serve as the leadership to communicate to the Missionaries, and to the Church regarding the Missions and Missionaries of Grace. Support needs, special needs and projects will be considered. Prayer requests will be a priority and shared with the Grace family.
- The Missions Committee will keep notes of meetings and keep reports of Mission Funds.

PROCESS: The ministry philosophy Grace follows is patterned after the examples in the book of Acts where a greater emphasis is placed on **(1) Church Planting**, and then once planted, to **(2) Church Strengthening**, especially the local national lay leaders and pastors, and then to **(3) Evangelistic outreaches locally and distant**, and lastly, a provision for those ministries and missionaries that **(4) assist and support** the three categories above. We intend to support those churches and missionaries, throughout the world, who are pursuing clear biblical methods of discipleship and training, including an expository preaching and mentoring.

Who are our Missionaries?

We have a large Missionary map on the wall facing the Lobby Coffee Kiosk. We also have a Missions Room on the west end of the Lobby where you will find a Missionary Presentation rolling on the monitor and usually several items around the room sharing, informing or enticing us into Missions. Also in our Missions room is a roster with ways to contact our Missionary ambassadors by email.

How do we choose a missionary to support?

The GBC Strategy for Missions establishes the following four priorities and goals. The Missions Committee will strive to establish and maintain a distribution of financial commitments that reflects the following priorities and percentages of allocations. This will be implemented when an increase in giving occurs, or when an existing missionary or organization that we support either retires or the existing support commitment is dropped.

Where does the Missions Leadership Team get the money to support the missionaries?

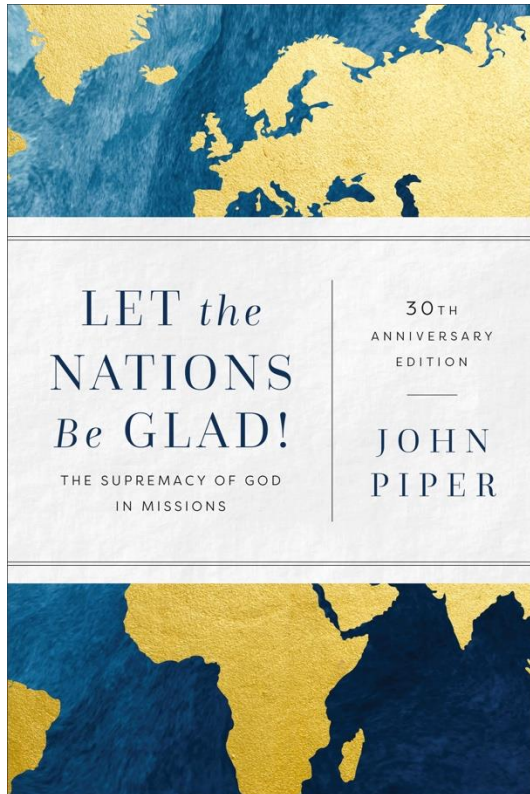
The missionaries and other ministries that are supported by Grace Bible Church are funded through the Designated Missions Giving. The General Fund only supports sending a pastor to the field to support and report on our National Pastors. Occasionally, there are specifically designated missions endeavors that are brought before the congregation for special giving. Your giving in all these areas is greatly needed to keep our missions effort strong.

Who is the Missions Committee?

The members of the Missions Committee are people who have an interest in missions, volunteered to serve on the Team following a request from the Pastor and are confirmed by the Elders. The Committee members administer the funding status and needs of our missionaries and manage the strategy and goals as given in our Philosophy, as well as considering new support opportunities. The Missions Committee meets every month to discuss the missions program, and the current circumstances surrounding the missionaries and ministries we support.

***“Missions exists because
worship doesn’t.”***

John Piper



1) Church Planting

- Our first priority is to support missionaries that are planting churches. The Bible gives us a clear example in the life of Paul as he plants churches, and stays to insure their sustainability.

Our first goal is to have approximately 40% of the total Missions Budget supporting full-time missionaries on the field planting churches.

2) Church Strengthening

- Our second priority is to support missionaries and organizations that train national pastors and church leaders so that the local church, and the local church planting efforts, can be sustained.

Our second goal is to have approximately 30% on the total Missions Budget supporting missionaries and organizations that are training new missionaries, pastors, and church leaders.

2) Church Strengthening

We aim to do this through various methods including the following two key components:

a) Leadership Training of Nationals

- This priority includes continued support of the missionaries and organizations that train nationals and sending GBC seminary trained pastors to participate in these training programs.

b) Short Term Mission Teams

- This priority includes continued support of our short-term mission teams that provide an additional opportunity for our church family to participate in supporting our missionaries and sustaining the body of local believers. Short term mission teams are funded thru self-support and congregational donations.

3) Special Needs Ministries

- Our third priority is to support missionaries and organizations that are reaching into areas of special and specific needs like children, deaf, Jewish, etc.

Our third goal is to have approximately 20% of the total Missions Budget supporting missionaries and organizations that provide resources for special needs ministries.

4) Support Ministries

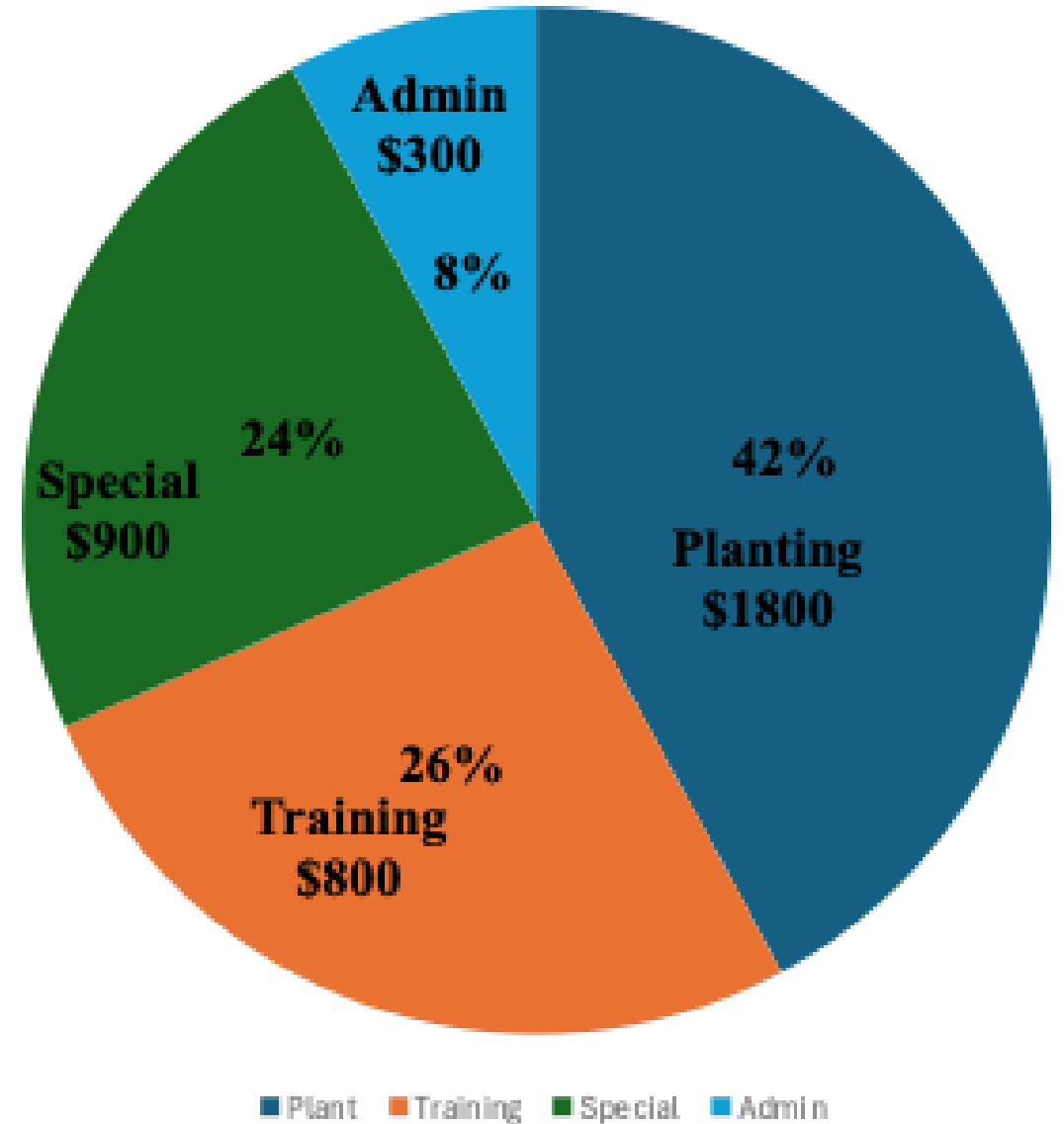
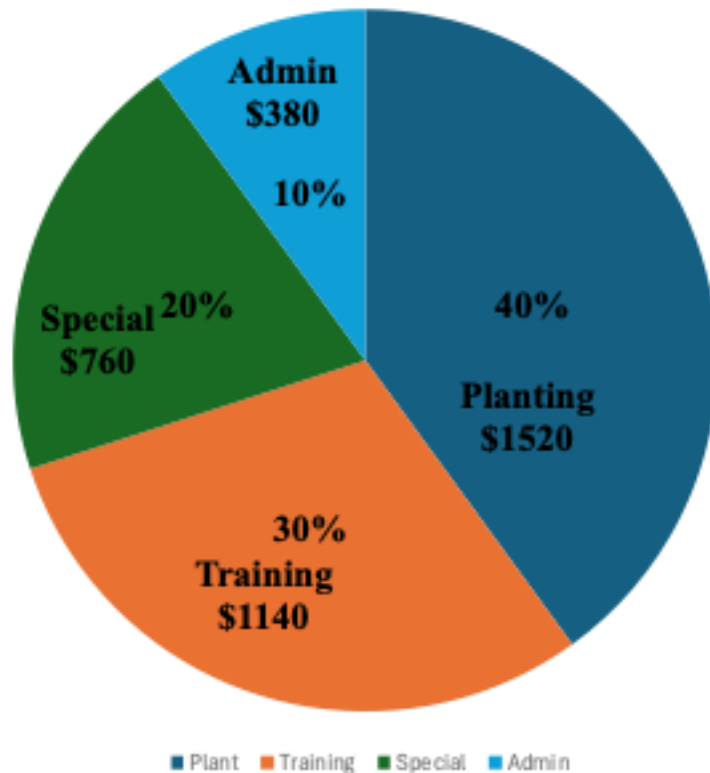
- Our fourth priority is to support missionaries and organizations that provide administration and support services required by the missionaries that are planting churches, and the missionaries and organizations that are training new missionaries, pastors, and church leaders.

Our fourth goal is to have approximately 10% of the Budget supporting missionaries and support organizations who provide resources and administration for global outreach.

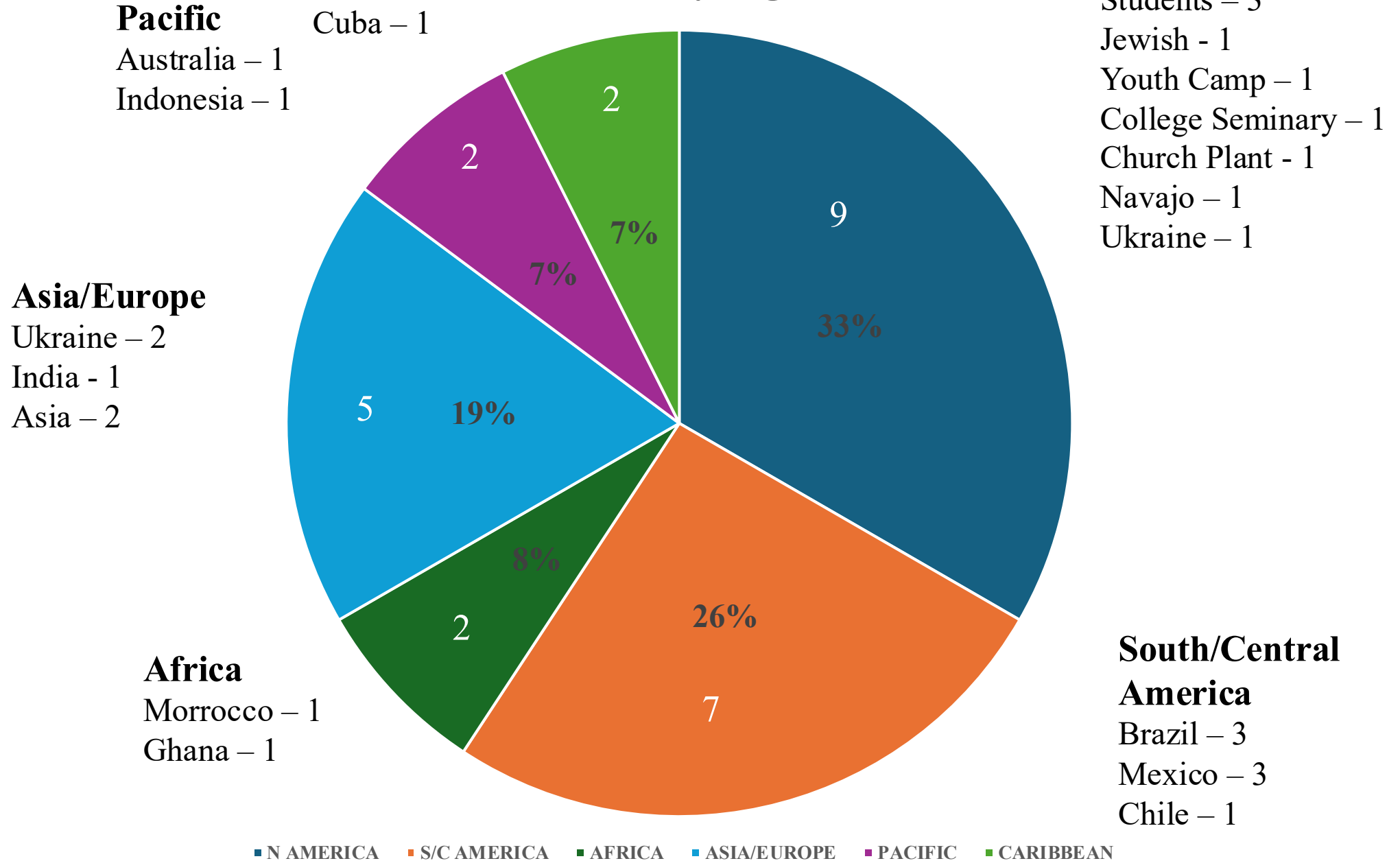
Missions @Grace by Ministry \$3800 mo

ACTUAL AS OF JULY 31 2025

Missions @Grace GOALS \$3800 mo



MISSIONS @ GRACE by Region



Ethnos 360		Plant	Training	Special	Admin	
JJ & Whitney Arnold	\$200.00	200				MEXICO
ITP						
Vic Flaming	\$150.00			150		ASIA
UIM						
Ty & Monique Platero	\$200.00		200			NAVAJO US
BMW						
John Wickline	\$200.00		200			AUSTRALIA
MMC						
Marty Zide	\$100.00				100	JEWISH US
AVANT						
Boaz Glad	\$100.00		100			AFRICA
Todd Hendry	\$150.00			150		BRAZIL
Student Mobilization						
Katie Christopher	\$100.00			100		STUDENTS US
BGFM						
Jim Johnson	\$100.00	100				BRAZIL
Global Service Network						
Alina Bartlett	\$100.00				100	UKRAINE US
Cru						
Odessa, Ukraine	\$200.00			200		UKRAINE
Ievgen Zgodinskiy	\$100.00			100		UKRAINE
ABWE						
Nelson Morales	\$100.00	100				MEXICO
Julio Fredes	\$100.00	100				CUBA
Wycliffe Bible Trans						
Paul Williamson	\$200.00		200			ASIA
BIM						
Jay Penner	\$100.00				100	CAMP US
CALVARY						
Calvary University	\$100.00		100			UNIVERSITY US
Reliant Ministries						
Caleb Drage	\$100.00			100		STUDENT US
Elizabeth Zane	\$100.00			100		STUDENT US
Sumatra Mission						
Eric & Beth Alm	\$100.00	100				INDONESIA
IPM						
Sergio Herrera	\$100.00	100				MEXICO
George Dapaah	\$150.00	150				GHANA
Dr. Cherian	\$200.00		200			INDIA
Lucien Saul	\$150.00	150				HAITI
CMC						
Ivan Alegria	\$100.00	100				CHILE
Leandro Tarrataca	\$200.00	200				BRAZIL
Josh Burt	\$300.00	300				PLANT US
		Plant	Training	Special	Admin	
	\$3,800.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,000.00	\$900.00	\$300.00	\$3,800.00

***“Every Christian is
either a missionary
or an impostor!”***

CH Spurgeon

