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GREATER THINGS

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GRACE GLOBAL

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How to engage missions month:

• **Be Present.** Prioritize being here in person each weekend in November. We will still offer our livestream, but because of the sensitive content being shared, we may have to disconnect the stream often. Be here so you don't miss a thing!

• **Read.** Take time to read through this book to get acquainted with our upcoming guests, missions partners and upcoming mission projects. These projects are our mission priority in 2027.

• **Pray** over the projects and our mission partners. Join in the six week, church wide prayer initiative at gracelives.com/greaterthings

• **Give.** Ask God what He would have you to give in the upcoming special offering, Nov 14-29. Let us be obedient to how He directs us in this area.

• **Go**. We may offer short-term mission trips next summer. Is God leading you to go with us? Let us know by scanning the included QR codes throughout this book.

• **Be open** to surrendering anything that God would ask of you. Maybe it is your time, your finances, or maybe, God is calling you to more! Let's be open and obedient as He leads.

FROM PASTOR ROY

Church Family,

I'm excited to share this year's missions booklet, centered on our theme, Greater Things. Inside, you'll find exciting missions projects, an introduction to our ministry partners serving locally and around the world, and prayer guides to help us lift up the nations.

As we consider our mission, I'm reminded of John 3:16: "For God so loved the world..." When Scripture speaks of the world, it's not simply referring to geography, nature, or the systems and ideologies that define nations. It's talking about people—people from every nation, tribe, and tongue whom God desires to save and gather to worship Him around His throne (Revelation 7:9).

Our theme, Greater Things, comes from the words of Jesus in John 14:12: "Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and **greater works** than these will he do, because I am going to the Father."

During His earthly ministry, Jesus traveled only a relatively small area, yet His life and ministry transformed countless lives through His teaching, compassion, and miracles. He called His disciples to walk with Him, learn from Him, and join Him in His work. Before returning to heaven, He gave them—and us—the Great Commission: to go into all the world and make disciples.

Imagine what the disciples must have thought when Jesus told them they would do even greater works! Through the power of the Holy Spirit, the message of the Gospel would reach far beyond the places Jesus walked during His earthly ministry. And today, God continues to work through His people and His Church to accomplish His mission.

We have opportunities to reach the world like never before. Modern travel and technology connect us with people and places across the globe. God is working through missionaries and ministry partners who are planting churches, translating Scripture, building church facilities and Christian schools, addressing poverty in Jesus' name, and sharing the hope of the Gospel with people who need to hear it.

As you read through these pages, I pray you'll be encouraged by just a small glimpse of what God is doing around the world through a church in Northeast Ohio. More importantly, **I pray you'll be challenged to consider how God wants you to be part of it.**

Let's pursue Greater Things together—through faithful giving, intentional prayer, and a willingness to go wherever God leads us. **May we be a church that not only celebrates what God is doing around the world but actively participates in His mission, all for His glory.**

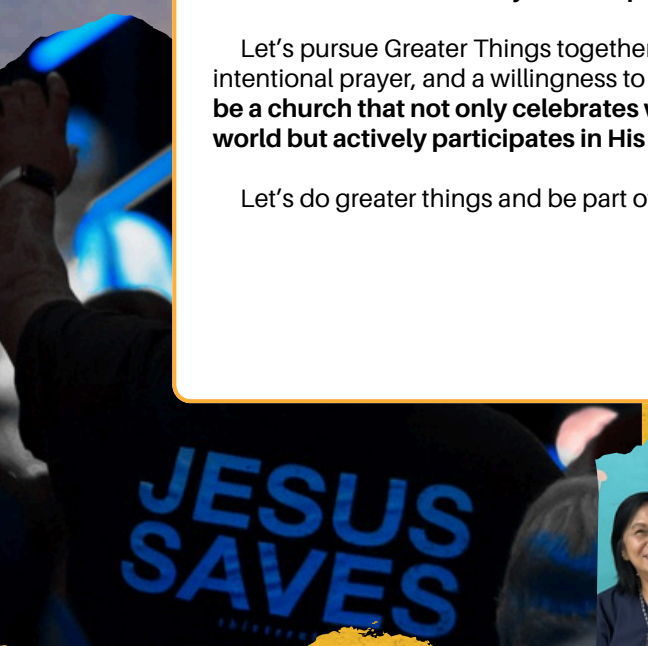
Let's do greater things and be part of greater things!

Roy Mack

SENIOR PASTOR
GRACE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH



IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS, GRACE HAS GIVEN $765,278+ TO LOCAL AND GLOBAL MISSIONS.







PURSUING GREATER THINGS IN PRAYER

What could happen if we intentionally pursued God in prayer for the people, places, and mission He has entrusted to us?

As we participate in Missions Month and look toward the Greater Things God wants to do through Grace, we're inviting our church family to join us for Pursuing Greater Things in Prayer—a six-week journey of focused, intentional prayer.

October 17- November 29, we'll spend these weeks praying together in four specific areas. Each week, we'll have a new focus for The Nations and Our Mission, while continuing to pray consistently for The Lost and Our Schools. Our goal isn't simply to pray more, but to pursue God together and ask Him to move in ways only He can.

THE LOST

Choose 1-3 people who are far from God and pray for them throughout the entire initiative.

Think of a friend, family member, coworker, neighbor, or someone else in your life who needs Jesus. Write their names down and commit to praying for the same people each week. Don't just pray for God to change their circumstances—pursue God for this person.

OUR SCHOOLS

Pray for the schools that are part of our church family and our community.

Each week, pray for the school you or your family are connected to, along with a few additional local schools we'll highlight. Together, we'll cover schools throughout our community in prayer—lifting up students, teachers, administrators, families, and opportunities for the gospel.

THE NATIONS

Pray for people and places around the world who need the hope of Jesus.

Each week, you'll receive a list of nations to pray for based on the first letter of your last name. As a church, we'll work together to pray over nations across the globe, asking God to strengthen His Church, send workers, open doors for the gospel, and make His name known.

OUR MISSION

Pray for what God is doing through Grace and ask Him how He wants you to be part of it.

Each week will bring a new focus—from our mission partners and 2027 mission projects to For the One, Christmas outreach, and our response to what God is calling us to do. We'll pray for God's mission, listen for His direction, and ask Him to show us how we can respond.

Let's Pursue Greater Things Together

This isn't about having perfect prayers or finding more time in an already busy schedule. It's about making room to seek God and trusting Him with the people, places, and opportunities in front of us.

Choose your 1–3 people. Find your school. Find your nations. And come ready to see what God will do when His people pray. Pursue God. Pray boldly. Expect Greater Things.



Scan to find more information, the schools, nations, and mission point to pray for each week!

HOW TO PRAY FOR THE NATIONS

God's heart has always been for the nations. His desire is for people from every tribe, tongue, and nation to know Him and worship Him. As we pursue Greater Things in prayer, we have the opportunity to join God in His work around the world—not just by praying for individual countries, but by praying for the people, churches, and gospel workers in them.

During this 6 week prayer initiative, we will pray for every nation in the world. Scan to see which nations you'll be praying for each week.

As you pray through your assigned nations each week, use these five areas to guide your prayers.

1. Pray for the Unreached

Pray for people who have little or no access to the gospel. Ask God to open doors for the good news of Jesus to reach communities that have yet to hear it. Pray for hearts to be receptive to the truth and for new believers to emerge who will share the gospel with others.

Pray: God, make Your name known among the nations. Open doors for the gospel, prepare hearts to receive Your truth, and raise up believers who will carry the hope of Jesus to those who have never heard.

2. Pray for the Global Church

Pray for local churches and believers around the world to grow in faith, unity, spiritual maturity, and endurance. Remember Christians who face persecution, hostility, or restrictions on gathering and worshiping freely. Ask God to strengthen His people and help them remain faithful witnesses of Jesus.

Pray: Lord, strengthen Your Church around the world. Give believers courage in the face of opposition, unity in the gospel, and opportunities to share Your love. Help Your Church grow and make disciples in every nation.

3. Pray for Leaders and Peace

Pray for national and local leaders to govern with wisdom, integrity, and justice. Ask God to guide their decisions, protect vulnerable people, and bring peace to places experiencing conflict, instability, or violence. Pray for conditions that allow people to live safely and for the gospel to be shared freely.

Pray: Father, give leaders wisdom and a desire to pursue justice and peace. Protect those who are vulnerable, bring comfort to those affected by conflict, and open doors for Your truth and hope to reach every community.

4. Pray for Access to God's Word

Millions of people still lack Scripture in a language they can clearly understand. Pray for Bible translators and organizations working to make God's Word available in written, audio, and other accessible formats. Ask God to provide the resources, wisdom, and people needed to bring Scripture to those who are still waiting.

Pray: God, make Your Word accessible to every people and language. Strengthen translators and ministry partners, provide the resources they need, and use Scripture to reveal Your character, truth, and saving grace.

5. Pray for Missionaries and Gospel Workers

Pray for cross-cultural missionaries, church planters, local pastors, and other ministry workers serving around the world. Ask God to protect their physical health, sustain them emotionally and spiritually, provide for their families, and give them wisdom as they serve. Pray that their work would bear lasting fruit and that many would come to know Jesus.

Pray: Lord, sustain those who have answered Your call to serve. Protect them, encourage them when the work is difficult, provide for their needs, and let their labor produce lasting fruit for Your Kingdom.

Pray with Expectation

As you pray, remember that every nation represents people deeply loved by God. Your prayers matter—not because we control the outcome, but because we trust the God who is at work around the world.

Ask God to do Greater Things among the nations: that the gospel would advance, His Church would be strengthened, and people everywhere would come to know and worship Jesus.

NOVEMBER SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 31-NOVEMBER 1: DEREK S.



Derek Seipp is the Executive Director of KRIN.

Derek has been married to Holly, for 26 years, and lived in China for 12 years. Holly works with trafficked women, helping them heal recover from complex trauma. They have two adult daughters.

Read about our project with KRIN on page 21.

NOVEMBER 7-8: KIRK & VIOLETA NOWERY



Kirk & Violeta together run Hope Partners International. HPI is committed to rescuing children and transforming their lives. To do this, they go to places of extreme need and fulfill their mission, one child at a time. In the places where they work, children suffer from hunger, danger, disease, abuse and threats of other kinds, some of them unspeakably dire. Hope Partners strives to rescue these children and care for them in Jesus' Name. HPI has 11 Hope Centers across the world - caring for over 300 children.

Read about our project with Hope Partners on page 31.

NOVEMBER 14-15: CHASE & BECKY ROBERTS



Chase Roberts is a church planter in Hazen, North Dakota. For the last 6 years, the Roberts have served at Morgan Grace Church, in Morgan, UT. They have now been sent out again to plant another Bible-believing, Christ-exalting church in rural America. Through networks of other like-minded churches, the Roberts were led to plant Hazen Grace Church. An empty building sits where a church once met, and the Roberts are confident that God will leverage this abandoned space again for His glory. Through various community outreach efforts, Hazen Grace will work to be a blessing throughout rural North Dakota. Please pray that God would strengthen and multiply the believers that are gathering now with plans to launch as a church in the spring of 2027.

Read about our project with Hazen Grace Church on page 13.

NOVEMBER 21-22: MARK & VALERIE APPELL



Mark and Valerie Appell answered God's call to ministry in 2001. For 25 years, they served at Perth Bible Church in upstate New York, where God deepened their passion for global missions through more than 30 short-term trips across five continents.

In 2025, God began redirecting the Appells toward serving least-reached people groups. After serving an English-speaking international church in Marseille, France, they sensed God's clear call to serve there full-time, meeting the significant need for gospel outreach and discipleship. Their mission remains to glorify God by reaching the lost, cultivating deep relationships with Jesus and His church, and equipping believers to honor Him.

Read about our project with the Appells on page 23.

NOVEMBER 21-22: RENOD & KAREN BEJJANI



Born and raised in the Middle East and North Africa, Renod Bejjani brings decades of experience helping believers engage other-faith seekers with the gospel. He is the author of Muslims, 5 Biblical Essentials Every Christian Must Know and Do, and The Way to Paradise, a Bible Study for Muslim Seekers. Renod's wife, Karen, is the author of The Blue Cord, a discipleship resource that helps Christian women share Christ across faiths. Together, Renod and Karen coauthored the ETHNOS Course™ to help churches cultivate disciples who boldly reveal Christ across faiths, nations, and generations...so the world may know.

Read about our projects with Renod and Karen on page 11 and 27.

NOVEMBER 29: GREG & LUANN LYONS



Dr. Greg Lyons Serves as a Church Planting Missionary in Asia. Through God's grace, his leadership development strategy, and the Global Surge team, over 250 local churches have been planted, six non-profit organizations have been established, multiple educational institutions, and a business coaching network. Using his business training alongside a solid commitment to Biblical principles, Greg has successfully synergized business models founded in Truth with effective ministry. Currently Greg is Senior Pastor of a multi-site church averaging over 9,000 each weekend, serves as President of Global Life University with a student body of 3,500, President of Louisiana Baptist University with a student body of 1,000, oversees a multi-site International Christian school with over 350 students, and manages time with his six adult children and 13 grandchildren. Greg and LuAnn have been married for over 40 years.

Read about our project with Global Surge on page 19.

HOW DOES GRACE SUPPORT MISSIONS?

OUR CHURCH IS COMMITTED TO REACHING PEOPLE EVERYWHERE WITH THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST. HERE'S HOW:

- 10% of all general fund giving is given to missions.
- In November of every year, we set our mission budget for the upcoming year. You are holding the 2027 budget in your hands right now! We have heard from our mission partners that these are the most pressing needs that they have. Read through the projects and get familiar with the faces and needs. **November 14-29**, we will take a special missions offering for the projects listed in the book; however, you can designate a gift to missions at any time!
- Our church monthly supports **17** different missions organizations.
- When you make a purchase at the Selah Cafe or at the Source, the profits from those sales go to support missions.
- We always leave a reserve of funds available throughout the year for special opportunities that arise. In 2026, we were able to access those funds to provide for emergency needs for our missions partners here and around the world. These reserves are replenished regularly through your generous giving and our corporate tithing.
- In 2027 we plan to offer mission trips again! We will let you know more information soon. Scan the included QR code to be the first to hear about potential trips.

SCAN TO GIVE

SCAN IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN MISSION TRIPS!



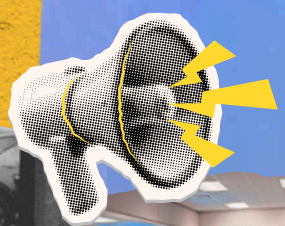


More info on each partner:
*Listed, as available, in order of how they appear in this section.
Celebrate Recovery at Grace: gracelives.com
Bella Women's Center: bellawomenscenter.com
Fieldstone Counseling: fieldstonecounseling.org
Someplace Safe: someplacesafe.org
iHope Ministries: ihopeministries.org
Cru: cru.org
Aspire Network: aspireleaders.com
Morgan Grace Church: morgangracechurch.com
Lakeside Church, FL: lakesidechurchwh.com

USA

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LOCAL PROJECTS

CR AT GRACE: $12,000

Celebrate Recovery is a vital and thriving ministry here at Grace. CR offers a place of community and accountability to those struggling with all kinds of hurts, habits, and hang ups. We are thankful to see so many people growing in their relationship with God because of this ministry.





SUMMER INTERNS: $10,000

Next summer we are looking to host interns again! These interns will most likely be college-aged young adults who desire to follow Jesus and be involved in the Church. They will be able to assist our church in some of the day-to-day operations, as well as assist the pastoral staff in some specific ministry objectives. Our relationship with these interns will be mutually beneficial as we will help prepare them for their future wherever God leads them. This allows our church to disciple future leaders.

OUTREACH FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: $4,000

We work with a few different organizations to share hospitality and, ultimately, the Gospel with the hundreds of international students enrolled at YSU each year. This is an awesome and unique mission opportunity right at our front door! These funds will be used for supplies, events, a local weekend retreat and more.





LOCAL PROJECTS: $12,000

The Mahoning Valley is our local mission field! We want to set aside funds for future local projects that may arise throughout the year. For example our local school projects, projects with the local organizations that we support monthly, etc. Read more on page 10 about how we are seeking the good of this city!

MONTHLY SUPPORTING 4 ORGANIZATIONS

BELLA WOMEN'S CENTER: $550

BWC in Warren offers the pregnancy services and resources women need, completely free of charge.

FIELDSTONE COUNSELING: $300

Fieldstone Counseling is a Christian counseling service based out of the Akron area, but virtually serves people all over the nation with counseling from the truth of God's Word.

EAGLES NEST AT THE ESTHER HOUSE: $500

Located in Youngstown, Eagles Nest "exists that the unborn may survive, the newborn may thrive, and parents be equipped to teach their children how to fly." At Eagle's Nest, young mothers are discipled to depend on the stable wings of Jesus and the uplifting wind of the Holy Spirit.

SOMEPLACE SAFE: $330

Someplace Safe is a safe home in Warren for women and children escaping domestic violence.



SEEKING THE GOOD OF THE CITY

STARTING IN STYLE

Starting in Style was such a special day in August! 30 local middle school girls were gifted a $250 shopping spree to help them start the new school year in style. We shopped, ate together and enjoyed a fashion show where they got to show off their favorite new outfit! What a privilege it was to have fun with these girls and to remind them that they are loved, made in God's image and for a purpose.

In 2027, we hope to offer Starting in Style for more schools in our community!



















LOCAL OUTREACH

This year God has given us many opportunities to serve our local community! Here's a brief list of just some of these opportunities:

- KidzWorld Back to School Celebration where we gave away 170 backpacks filled with school supplies and 29 haircuts!
- feeding local sports teams and school faculties
- providing playground equipment for our local school
- offering outreach events, community and family photos for families with children with special needs
- Giving care baskets for children in residential foster care



God **has** done great things in Ohio.
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BUILT READY RANCH: $5,000



Built Ready Ranch is a non-profit initiative founded by former NFL player Heath Evans and his wife, Chrissy, to rescue and mentor fatherless boys through free athletic training, education, and Christian discipleship in Parker County, Texas. The ranch has been purchased and the initiative is just beginning!

- The Front Door: Free sports-specific athletic training, speed development, and football conditioning serve as an initial point of engagement for boys in a football-centric region.
- Discipleship: Beyond athletics, the ranch provides daily mentorship, education, four professional-athlete-style meals a day, and Christian discipleship.
- Zero Tuition: The program operates with permanent zero tuition for the participating boys.
- Capacity Goal: The initial phase plans to work with an initial cohort of 20 boys within 90 days of closing on the property, with a long-term vision to scale up to support hundreds of young men.

IHOPE MINISTRIES: $7,500



EVERY GENERATION - ETHNOS KIDS™
***this project is being partially funded by mission offerings from our KidzWorld kids!**

Children today are growing up alongside Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, and other faith-background friends. ETHNOS Kids™ is a pioneering discipleship curriculum for ages 7–11 that equips children to understand God's heart for the nations and confidently share the hope of Jesus.

Churches are collaborating to help bring ETHNOS Kids to life through curriculum development, creative expertise, facilities, video production, and other in-kind support.

CLEVELAND, CRU: $7,000 ONE-TIME GIFT MONTHLY SUPPORT: $385 A MONTH



Aaron and Katie Golby serve with Cru, reaching students on college campuses in Cleveland and Northeast Ohio. They build and equip Christians to be witnesses for Christ on campus, and to mobilize and send out the next generation to all nations as disciple-makers for the rest of their lives.

Check out this update from the Golbys:

Last year, we helped lead a 10-week Cru Summer Mission to Ocean City, NJ. From across the U.S., we led and equipped 91 students in evangelism and discipleship. We helped a local church there as we do outreach. Eight students from our Northeast Ohio campuses joined us, and it has made a big impact in how they live on mission and seek to make disciples back on campus. It makes a big difference when we can tell students "come with us." We spend 7 weeks leading the Summer Mission, and then entrust students to lead the rest of the mission. This past summer, our team had meaningful spiritual conversations with 9,758 people. Of those, we were able to share the gospel with 3,191 people, and 328 people said they were receiving Christ because of our witness!

THERE ARE 291 MILLION NON-BELIEVERS IN NORTH AMERICA.

WE NEED MORE CHURCHES.



ASPIRE CHURCH PLANTING COLLECTIVE: $20,000

We are joining in with churches across the country through the Aspire Church Planting Collective. Together, we will invest in three strategic areas: planting churches across North America, with a focus on cities experiencing significant Kingdom movement; establishing microchurches in large urban communities; and supporting church-planting efforts overseas. **Every dollar given will go directly toward church planting and developing healthy leaders who can plant, lead, and multiply churches.** Already, 50 churches are joining together, and we are believing God for 100 churches to participate over the next 24 months. Together, we can take the gospel farther and make a greater Kingdom impact than any one church could make alone.

*Grace Fellowship Church is one of the larger churches in the network and is a part of a smaller group of over 30 that is committing to do $20,000 a year to help church planters nationally and missions projects globally.

UTAH, MORGAN GRACE CHURCH
ONE-TIME GIFT: $5,000
MONTHLY SUPPORT: $385 A MONTH



Morgan County is one of the spiritually darkest places in the modern world. In a 2010 survey, there were zero professing evangelical Christians in the county of roughly 12,000 people. Starting with just three families, Morgan Grace Church has now grown to be a body of over 120 believers. This church has seen many families leave the local, dominant religion and come to a saving faith in the Jesus of the Bible. This year's one-time gift will go towards their livestream set up. The livestream is a huge help to the ministry. The local community can check out the church online without the social pressure of the local, dominant religion.

HAZEN GRACE CHURCH: HAZEN, NORTH DAKOTA
CHASE & BECKY ROBERTS: $25,000

Chase and Becky Roberts are church planters in Hazen, North Dakota. For the last 6 years, the Roberts have served at Morgan Grace Church, in Morgan, Utah. They have now been sent out again to plant another Bible-believing, Christ-exalting church in rural America. Through networks of other like-minded churches, the Roberts were led to plant Hazen Grace Church. An empty building sits where a church once met, and the Roberts are confident that God will leverage this abandoned space again for His glory. Through various community outreach efforts, Hazen Grace will work to be a blessing throughout rural North Dakota. Please pray that God would strengthen and multiply the believers that are gathering now with plans to launch as a church in the spring of 2027.

Project needs:
1. Sound System ($12,000): They are starting completely anew with all AVL equipment.

2. Parking Lot: Currently, the building only has grass where folks will park once they launch. They plan to put it in a crushed asphalt parking lot.

3. Community Outreach ($5,000): This should cover their 2027 outreach goals, including feeding teachers, first responders, and hospital employees, as well as providing blessing baskets for local businesses to introduce our new work. They are also very involved in the local sports scene and have a great chance to be a blessing to the local athletes and coaches.







FLORIDA, LAKESIDE CHURCH
CONTINUED SUPPORT: $1,150 A MONTH
CONTINUED SUPPORT OF EMILY CREED: $550 A MONTH

An update from Zack Potter:

- We've baptized over 17 people so far this year!
- We've had our two biggest attended days in April— both at 250 attendance.
- Averaging 180s in the month of August.
- We have about 100 connected to groups for the fall semester.
- We have 6 young adults in our residency preparing to be in full-time ministry.
- Started a kids outreach ministry in two local elementary schools where we get to spend an hour each week after school teaching the gospel and investing in families.
- Our best VBS this past summer had about 40 kids a night. We've added two new families to the church from VBS.







More info on each partner:
*Listed, as available, in order of how they appear in this section.
Bernabe Conference: bernabe.cristoesmejor.com
New Missions: newmissions.org
Connexus Global: connexusglobal.org
DeLucia Family: give.wol.org/RobertoDelucia



LATIN AMERICA

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BERNABE CONFERENCE: $10,000



This annual conference is a time for hundreds of pastors, pastors' wives, missionaries and church planters from all over Mexico and Latin America to be poured into and developed. For several years we have helped sponsor this event, and even had Pastor Roy and April there to speak. It is an incredible week of ministry, speaking encouragement into these servants of the Lord.

CUBA MISSION: $7,000

Pastors Ariel and Yudith have dedicated their lives to bringing the Gospel to the people of Cuba. With unwavering faith, they gave up their possessions and stepped out in obedience to pastor a community of nearly 40,000 people in Mulgoba, a municipality in Havana.

What began six years ago in a small apartment has grown into a thriving house church—the only church in the neighborhood. Through hard work and faith, the building has been gradually renovated and now serves as a gathering place for hundreds. With a generous donation from a church in New York, Ariel and Yudith were able to install a water purification system that provides clean water to their community. Alongside physical water, they share the Living Water of Jesus Christ.

Their ministry, "Pan y Peces" (Loaves and Fish), provides food and spiritual nourishment to those in need. Every Sunday, over 200 people gather to hear the Word of God. Midweek gatherings feature worship, prayer, and Bible study, while couples' and LifeGroups help the community grow together in faith.

But their mission doesn't stop in Mulgoba. With a small team of 10–12 dedicated believers, Ariel and Yudith are reaching beyond their city to some of the most remote areas of Cuba—places where roads are unpaved and few are willing to go.

Ariel and Yudith continue these monthly mission trips to bring hope, encouragement, and the message of Jesus to remote churches across Cuba. Through their faithfulness, they are truly being the hands and feet of Jesus to a nation in need of a Savior.







NEW MISSIONS: $5,000



New Missions works in many areas of Latin America, strengthening churches, offering quality education, and touching poverty. This year, these funds are going towards the operating budget for their Bible College in Haiti, Royal Caribbean Institute.

Established in 1995, the purpose of this program was to support local churches with a two-year training program for church leaders, pastors, and individuals called into the ministry. The attendees are nominated by New Mission local churches and pastors. These funds will go towards the scholarships of students. The institute has 16-20 students on scholarship each year.



CONNEXUS GLOBAL: $9,500

Connexus Global is all about developing leaders and changing lives internationally by sharing the Gospel through the vehicle of business development.

Project A — Honduras | $6,500
Trip and Training of Pastors — $1,000
Because of the economy, pastors need continued help learning how to build and grow their businesses as well as balance being bi-vocational. Dr. Agan will spend several days onsite working with them directly in leadership development.

Micro-Business Investment for Pastors
Through POP, the Pastor's Opportunity Program, we are proposing two new business investments for 2027.

- Pastor Jairo Guzman — $2,500
  - His desire is to build a small business raising and selling pigs in the communities around him. He already has the land but needs the initial investment to purchase the pigs and supplies and to build the housing. This is a well-established model in rural communities, where families buy pigs to cook for special occasions such as Christmas, birthdays, and other holidays.

- Pastor Israel Cadenas — $3,000
  - He pastors a church in Dividadero, Choluteca, and previously worked selling budget-friendly cellphones. He already has the connections to purchase inventory directly and is ready to launch his own business. The business can be run by himself and his wife, and he will need funding for cabinets, signage, and initial inventory.

Project B — Cape Verde, West Africa | $3,000
Training Business Leaders, Pastors & Church Leaders
Connexus Global has the opportunity to expand "Business as Missions" into Cape Verde, West Africa. Missionary Luiz Nunes came to Christ and was discipled by Dr. Agan more than 15 years ago, and he has now been serving in Cape Verde for over 10 years.

The project will consist of an executive-level business conference to train government and business leaders, women, and small business owners from across the country. This opens the door to introduce those in attendance to the missionary and to begin a next-level conversation about continuing to serve them. Following the conference, we will train pastors and church leaders to become more effective at reaching their own country.



BRAZIL, EXPANSION AT VINDE MENINOS: $10,000

Vinde Meninos is a Christian children's outreach center located in Atibaia, São Paulo, Brazil, that provides after-school care, meals, and spiritual discipleship to vulnerable youth. These funds are helping support the ministry in 2027 and to renovate two bedrooms on the property that are used for weekend camps and visiting teams.



VINDE MENINOS

More info on each partner:
*Listed, as available, in order of how they appear in this section.
Global Effects: cbc.family/globaleffects
Global Surge: globalsurge.org
Care4More: care4more.org
World in Need Intl: thehoneycutts.org
Connect Global: connectglobalnetwork.org

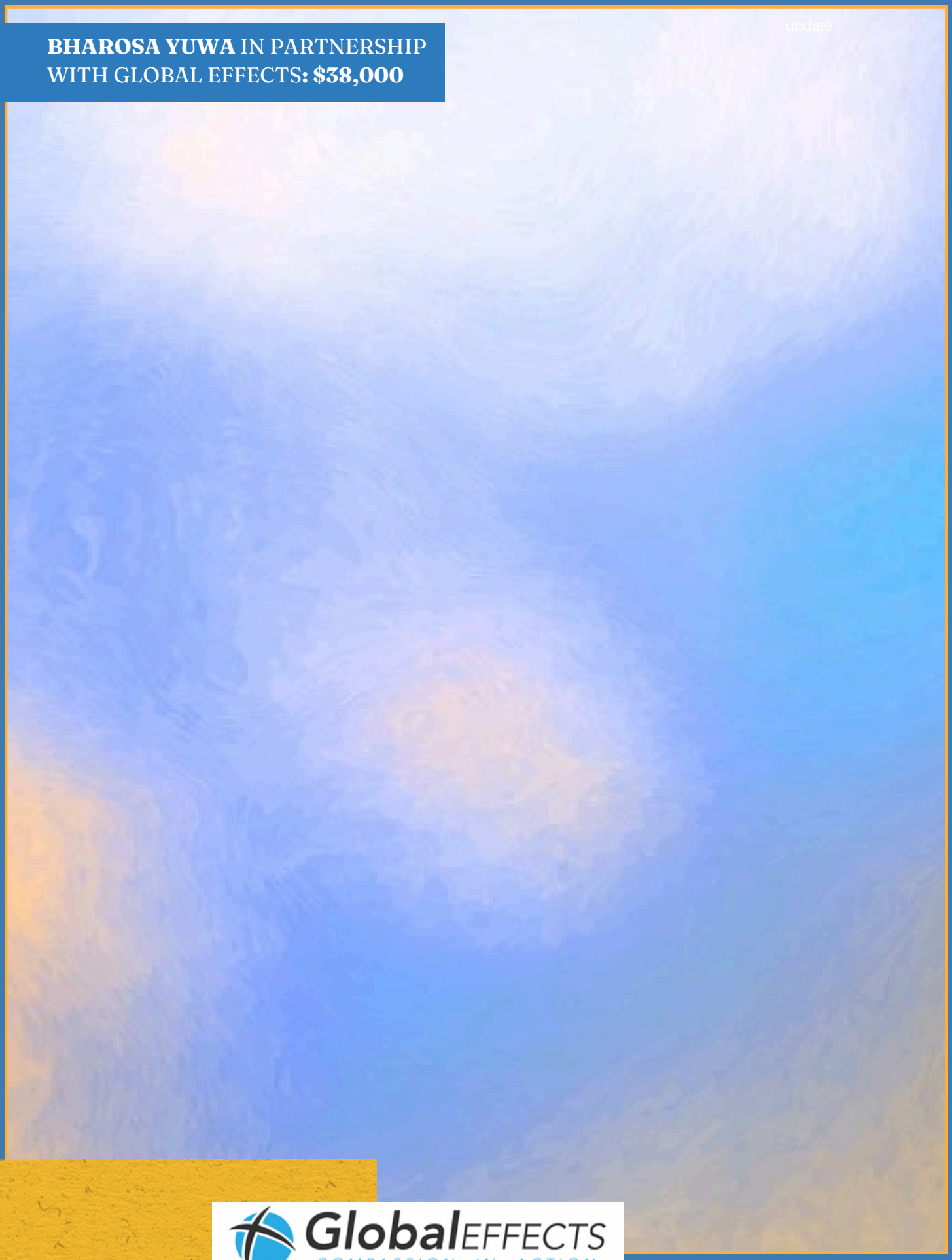
ASIA

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BHAROSA YUWA IN PARTNERSHIP WITH GLOBAL EFFECTS: **$38,000**



Global EFFECTS
COMPASSION IN ACTION

GLOBAL SURGE: $15,000

Global Surge is a powerhouse ministry reaching thousands throughout Asia.

- We are sending **$10,000** to launch **100 new cross-cultural missionaries** through Global Missionary Clearinghouse!

- This past June, more than 300 women gathered in Manila for a conference created specifically for ladies serving in ministry. Most of them serve in churches and ministries across the Philippines, but women travel from other parts of Asia as well, coming for the encouragement, the fellowship, and the practical tools that help them keep going in the work God has given them. April Mack serves as a speaker at this conference, teaching and pouring into these leaders during their days together. For many of these women, this conference is the one time each year they are cared for rather than doing the caring. The response has been so strong that the conference has outgrown its current facility. Moving to a venue large enough to hold everyone comes at a significantly higher cost, and without help, organizers would have to turn ladies away. Grace Fellowship Church has committed to underwrite **$5,000** of the meeting expense so that no ministry leader is turned back at the door. Supporting this conference means these women return to their churches, their villages, and their families refreshed and better equipped, and the reach of it extends far beyond the room in Manila.

- Our very own, James Wolf, is serving in the Philippines with Global Surge September-November 2026. James is helping with the Global Youth camps. These are evangelistic 24 hour camps that over 100,000 Filipino students attend every year. James is also doing one on one discipleship and working in youth ministry, life groups, kids ministry, and sports ministries.







PHILIPPINES, CARE 4 MORE: $10,000





Roy and April with the director of the Adonai Home and touring Care4More facilities earlier this year.

Care4More, currently led by James Melton, has been serving the Filipino people since 1987. Care4More consists of a Bible college, a Christian school, churches, meal programs, a home for single mothers, the Hope Alive Clinic and so much more.

This year, we are helping with two projects for Care4More. Read their request below:

Project A: Cuatro Christian School in Cainta (K-12) continues to grow, and we have an urgent need to complete the 4th floor of our middle school & high school classrooms. The primary cost is $3,000 U.S. per classroom build-out (concrete block construction, dry wall finish and paint, electrical wiring for ceiling fans, etc.)

Project B: Adonai Home is a safe living environment for teenage girls that provides housing, support, counseling, and Bible Studies for physically, mentally, and emotionally abused girls, often expectant young mothers. We have seen many come to Christ, as we minister to over 750 different family units a year. Many of these girls have been victims of incest by relatives or victimized by next door neighbors, as their mothers are often working overseas to support their families. If Grace would be willing to "adopt" one or more of their expenses for school, housing, and daily meals - we can assist a young woman to live at Adonai for $425 U.S. for 10 months.



MYANMAR, MINISTRY SUPPORT: $4,000

For many years we have supported this work in Myanmar where there is currently civil unrest, war, and extreme poverty. Elvis Sado is a church planter and supports many poor and needy people, including the orphan children at the Grace Home. This project money will go towards continuing to sustain this ministry.

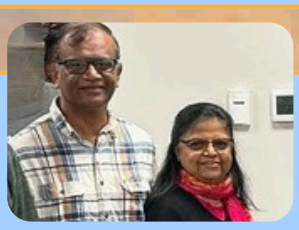
T-----, GOSPEL OF JOHN DISTRIBUTION: $7,000

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SRI LANKA, THE DAMPIERS: $6,000

This young couple, Justin and Jenna, have been living in Sri Lanka this past year, making connections and sharing the gospel with this unreached people group! In 2027 they will be back home in the States working to raise support before heading back to Sri Lanka with exciting plans for a community center launch in 2028.





INDIA, ARUN & SHOBA
ONE-TIME GIFT: $7,500
MONTHLY SUPPORT: 350 A MONTH

Arun & Shoba Massey are missionaries we have worked with for many years. They have a vibrant ministry in India but had to relocate to the Cleveland area because of safety threats. The ministry continues in India through local staff. Arun and Shoba have continued their gospel mission in NE Ohio as well. Some wins the Masseys shared recently:

- Started two additional house fellowships among non-Christians.
- Continue to care for more children in foster care.
- Provide counseling, practical care, and food assistance to people living with HIV.
- More of the children they support are now pursuing nursing and higher education.
- The local staff continue serving faithfully even when they are unable to travel because of security concerns.
- Care for widows and orphans and helping vulnerable families in practical ways.

CONNECT GLOBAL
ONE-TIME GIFT: $10,000
MONTHLY SUPPORT: $350 A MONTH

Connect Global is a missions mobilization ministry that challenges, engages and mobilizes churches to send new missionaries from Latin America.

Check out this update from Connect Global founder, Ralph (Rafael) Canadá:

"Through our Enfoque Global process and team of leaders, we are helping mobilize more than 650 local churches. But what is truly astounding is that we have helped those same churches send out nearly 120 new missionary units to unreached people groups who are sharing Christ, making disciples and planting churches where there were none, among those who have never heard the Gospel! We simply could not carry out this day-to-day work without churches like Grace Fellowship faithfully standing behind us.

This is the movement we believe God is raising up throughout Latin America. Grace Fellowship, thank you for wanting to be part of it. Please know how profoundly grateful we are for your partnership.

Your investment goes far beyond Connect Global. It helps mobilize pastors, transform local churches, send new missionaries, make disciples, plant churches, and take the Gospel to places where Christ is not yet known. Thank you for your prayers, your friendship, and your prayerful consideration of these opportunities. We are grateful to partner with churches like Grace Fellowship that share a passion for seeing God's Kingdom expanded among the nations.

CHURCH PLANTING IN NORTH KOREA: $15,000

More info on each partner:
*Listed, as available, in order of how they appear in this section.
International Access to Missions: ia2m.org
Hope4Romania: hope4romania.org
Mark & Valerie Appell: https://sites.google.com/view/ourcircle
Jon & Becky Liles: theitalyinitiative.org



EUROPE

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ROMANIA, INTL ACCESS TO MISSIONS
ONE-TIME GIFT: $13,000
MONTHLY SUPPORT: $350 A MONTH

INTERNATIONAL ACCESS TO MISSIONS



Project A: Camp Hope Renovation

Camp Hope, located in Râșnov, Romania, is a retreat and ministry center that provides a place for churches, missionaries, and ministry groups to gather, serve, and share the Gospel. During the summer, Camp Hope becomes an important outreach tool for children and teenagers, hosting 12 weeks of summer camps where young people can hear about the love of Jesus.

IAM has been involved in ongoing renovations to improve the facilities and make the property more welcoming and accessible for ministry teams, including accessible accommodations and improvements to the dormitory spaces.

As we look toward 2027, we are excited to begin renovating the final building on the property that is in need of significant work. This building, currently a barn, will be transformed into a retreat house designed to serve pastors and ministry leaders who need a place for respite and renewal. It will also provide a space for small-group retreats, team-building activities, and guest speakers.

Project B: Coats for Kids - Romania

Each year, IAM partners with public schools, local churches, and ministry leaders in Romania to provide winter coats to children living in impoverished communities. While a warm coat meets a very practical need, the ministry is about so much more. It opens the door to build relationships with children and families, demonstrate the love of Christ, and share the Gospel. Grace Fellowship is providing funds for 150 coats!

HOPE 4 ROMANIA: $5,000

Every year **Hope 4 Romania** delivers essential food supplies and gift bags to Roma Gypsy families at Christmas time. This opens many doors for the Gospel. H4R wil be giving food bags in Romania and Cambodia this year!

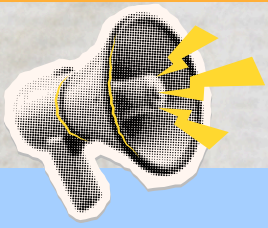






FRANCE, MARK & VALERIE APPELL: $12,500

Mark and Valerie are in the process of moving to Marseille, France for full-time ministry. This is the second largest city in France, with over 1.5 million people living in the wider Marseille metro area. These funds will help with moving expenses and French language courses!



PORTUGAL, THE ZEIGLERS
ONE-TIME GIFT: $3,000
MONTHLY SUPPORT: $500 PER MONTH



Tommy and Courtney with their boys, Tychicus and Apollos.

An update from Tommy and Courtney Zeigler, our missionaries to Portugal.

"We have been helping in Pastoral Development with the Portuguese Baptist Convention over the last few years. However, in March, the church we helped plant said they would like to have us back as they are experiencing difficulties in as far as the leadership structure of the church is concerned.

We plan to return to our rural town of Samora Correia and work on disciplining the people of the church well with a specific focus on Eph 4:12, that the church would be equipped for the work of ministry in one another's lives and that out of this long-term view, specific people would come to be well-prepared for more formal leadership roles in the church. All of this, to equip our former church plant to move on towards planting in surrounding cities with no gospel preaching church."

SPAIN, THE RUESGAS
ONE-TIME GIFT: $5,000



Adolfo and April Ruesga answered God's call to move from Mexico to Spain in 2017 with a vision to plant a church and reach people in a post-Christian culture. After years of preparation, including a five-year wait for religious visas, they officially launched La Vid Santander Baptist Church in September 2025. Over its first year, the church has seen lives transformed by the Gospel, grown to meet the requirements for official registration, and developed a growing community of people eager to learn about Jesus.

La Vid Santander is preparing to purchase and renovate a permanent building that will provide space for the church to grow and become a place where people in the community can encounter Jesus and grow as His followers. The Ruesgas have already secured much of the funding, but $110,000 remains needed to complete the purchase. They have shared that many people they have built relationships with are eager to visit the church, and having a dedicated facility is an important next step for reaching the community.

We are excited to invest $5,000 toward the La Vid Santander building project. We are grateful for the opportunity to partner with the Ruesga family as they take this next step of faith and pray that this building will become a place where many people in Santander encounter the hope of Jesus.



ITALY, THE LILES: $6,000

Jon and Becky Liles are church-planting missionaries in Italy. Becky has been given a cancer diagnosis and they are currently back in the States for her treatment and care. These funds will help with any costs for her care and travel for Jon as he stays connected to the ministry in Italy.



More info on each partner:
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Small Circle: smallcircle.com
Reach Missions: reach missions.world
iHope Ministries: ihopeministries.org
ONE FOR ISRAEL: oneforisrael.org

MIDDLE EAST

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CONFIDENTIAL PROJECTS

All of these projects are a confidential work. It is imperative that you **do not share** any of this information online or outside of our church. These organizations trust us to not endanger their people on the ground, so help us help them by keeping this confidential info in-house. *This page will be omitted from all online versions of this document.*

IRAQI ORPHAN MINISTRY: $5,000

BIBLES FOR CLOSED COUNTRIES: $10,000

SMALL CIRCLE
MONTHLY SUPPORT: $500 A MONTH
ONE-TIME GIFT: $8,000



SmallCircle is an app that is making a huge discipleship impact in more than 100 countries already! You can download the app for free and start a discipleship journey with a friend in your life. In the past we have helped translate these resources into other languages or make trainings happening in various locations. Small Circle is growing, and we get to be a part.

Update from Small Circle creator:

"I don't say this lightly: **Grace's heart for missions has fueled the frontline of SmallCircle year after year, and the impact has been incredible to watch.** This past year God has moved in ways we didn't see coming — new doors have opened in Iceland, Japan, the Philippines, Lithuania, and Slovenia, with more on the horizon.

We also launched something new in 2026: CircleUp. We go on-site with a church for 4-7 days and dig deep with families, leadership, and emerging disciple-makers — literally circling up with them. The results, here in the US and abroad, have been some of the best we've seen.



REACHING THE DISPLACED: $5,000

REACH MISSIONS: $385 A MONTH
ONE-TIME GIFT: $10,000

We are continuing to monthly support the work of Reach Missions. This organization focuses on spreading the gospel through their work in **Yucatan villages**, a children's home in **Jamaica** and spreading the gospel through church networks in **Egypt**. For our one-time gift this year, we are helping with whatever is most pressing in Egypt. In 2027, Reach is completing a campus expansion for one Egyptian church, purchasing property for another church plant, and hosting a large annual conference for youth and pastors with their families.

IHOPE MINISTRIES: $5,000



ONE FOR ISRAEL: $10,000

ONE FOR ISRAEL began as a Bible college and has since expanded to a multi-faceted ministry with the express goal of reaching Israelis with the Good News of Yeshua (Jesus), and training and equipping the Body of Messiah in Israel. OFI is made up of Jews and Arabs, together serving Jesus, sharing the Gospel with Israel and the world, making disciples, training leaders, and blessing our communities in the name of Yeshua.

Check out this project from One for Israel:
Arabic Evangelism Conference - $10,000

The Arabic Evangelism Conference serves as a vital gathering place to unite believers from across the region in fellowship and worship. Backed by careful professional and spiritual preparation, the conference equips local Christians with essential tools to share the gospel with confidence. Ultimately, this effort strengthens regional ministry networks and empowers leaders to build enduring, faith-filled communities.

Check out OFI's online ministry on all social media platforms or at oneforisrael.org



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1Died4All: 1died4all.com
World Hope: weareworldhope.com
GAP Missions: gapmissions.org
Eyes of Hope: pointhope.org/eyes-of-hope
Hope Partners International: hopepartners.org

AFRICA

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1DIED4ALL: $5,000

Ronnie & Janet McAdoo have been putting on sports camps as 1Died4All where they teach sports, but most importantly share the Gospel. This mission has now expanded internationally and from more than just basketball! In 2026 they had incredibly successful camps in the US and internationally. These funds will help them conduct camps internationally in 2027.

KENYA, WORLD HOPE
ONE-TIME GIFT: $15,000
CONTINUED MONTHLY SUPPORT: $550 PER MONTH

Pastor Roy has served on the board of World Hope for over 25 years. The longtime work that WH has done in Nairobi, Kenya has changed generations of families and pushed back the Kawangware slum that the thriving church and school is located at the edge of.

Check out this update from World Hope:

We are not raising money for a short-term idea. We are asking you to help keep a proven work strong. This year, we are not asking you to build a new building. We are asking you to help provide the everyday necessities that make this ministry possible. That means excellent teachers who pour into these children. Classrooms equipped with the books and materials they need. Nutritious food that gives them the strength to survive, focus, grow, and thrive. These funds help us provide consistency.

For a child whose world can feel uncertain, Hope Academy is a place they can count on. School will be there tomorrow. Their teacher will be there tomorrow. A meal will be there tomorrow. Safety will be there tomorrow.

For 25 years, faithful churches and supporters have made that promise possible. Would you help us keep it? Your generous gift helps give a child safety for today, an education for tomorrow, and the hope of Jesus for eternity.



Join us this summer as we treat hundreds of people at our medical clinic.

Want to experience it for yourself? Travel to Nairobi with us next summer!

June 10-18, 2027

Estimated Cost: $3,700

We will primarily be conducting medical clinics and children's events.

If interested, let us know by scanning here!







GAP MISSIONS, IVORY COAST
ORPHAN EDUCATION: $8,000
CONTINUED MONTHLY SUPPORT: $550 PER MONTH





Top: the girls at the GAP Missions Orphanage in Ivory Coast. Bottom: the walls of the future school being built.

James & LaNelle have been serving in Ivory Coast for over 20 years. They are church planters, evangelists, and have a home for orphan girls. In the past we have done all kinds of missions projects with them such as purchasing new church land, new roofs, new motorcycles for a ministry they have, helping purchase a new van so they can transport the orphan girls to school, etc. We love this ministry!

Education has always been a priority at GAP Orphanage. Many of the children who come to GAP from remote villages have had little or no access to education and arrive from extremely vulnerable circumstances.

This year, GAP will welcome eight new children, ages 7–9, bringing the total to **14 elementary-aged children, along with 18 additional students in junior high and high school.** Grace Fellowship has faithfully helped provide education for the girls at GAP, and this year, three students graduated from university, with others continuing toward higher education.

For years, GAP has desired to establish a Christian school on the orphanage campus. This would allow the staff to provide quality education in a supportive environment while also giving GAP the opportunity to serve children from the surrounding community. The local government has recently made it easier for GAP to establish its own school, creating an exciting opportunity to meet this long-standing need.

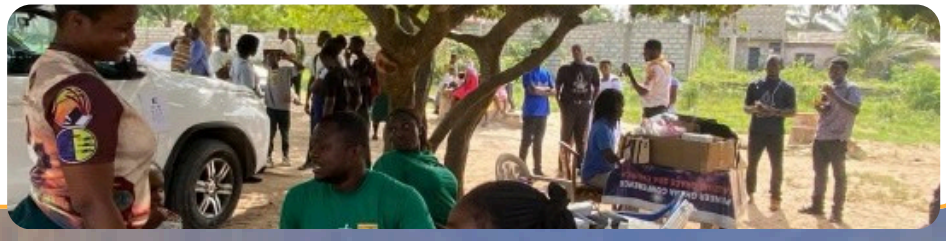
The funds we send this year will help with the construction needs to start this school. The vision is that eventually the school could serve both GAP children and students from the surrounding community.

This school will be a significant step forward for GAP, providing children with the education, hope, and opportunities they need to build a brighter future. Alongside their spiritual and physical care, providing a strong educational foundation will help change the trajectory of their lives.



EYES OF HOPE CENTER, GHANA
CONTINUED MONTHLY SUPPORT: $450 PER MONTH
ONE-TIME GIFT: $6,000

The Eyes of Hope Vision Center was established in October 2023 through the support of Eyes of Faith Optical, OneSight, American Board of Opticians, and Grace Fellowship Church. 3,200 people in the Gomoa East District of Ghana's Central Region benefit annually from the Vision Center's clinical and community outreach services. Members of the EOH team are ministers of the Gospel. Our outreach events also provide opportunities for Christian ministry, prayer, encouragement, and sharing the message of hope in Christ. In this way, we seek to address both the physical and spiritual needs of the communities we serve. These funds will help support the staff and operations of the vision center.



JESSIE ERB, ETHIOPIA
MONTHLY SUPPORT: $500 PER MONTH
ONE-TIME GIFT: $1,500







Jessie Erb has a specific calling on her life to orphan care. She was part of our Grace family for a few years when she lived in this area. Jessie graduated from Oak Life School of Orphan Care in Mexico earlier this year. Check out what she's doing now!

Update from Jessie Erb:

"For the next year, I will be based in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, working alongside the staff of Selamta Family Project and the approximately 80 children and young adults they serve. Selamta's mission of creating and empowering families deeply aligns with the calling God has placed on my life: caring for vulnerable children and helping them experience belonging, stability, and hope.

Much of my time will be spent developing impact stories, assisting with mission teams and summer programs, supporting family and community initiatives, and teaching English. But more than a list of responsibilities, I am looking forward to the relationships behind them—listening to a child who needs someone to hear them, encouraging a young person as they develop new skills, celebrating small victories, and simply being a consistent, caring presence. I hope to learn from Selamta's staff and families while contributing wherever I can to help these children grow, heal, and know they are loved and that they belong."

HOPE PARTNERS: $10,000

Hope Partners International is a Christ-centered international ministry with a simple mission: to rescue children and transform their lives. HPI has **11 Hope Centers around the world that care for over 3,000 children** in places like Costa Rica, Uganda, India, Sri Lanka, Venezuela, and Romania. This year's funds will go towards the purchase of a van for the center in Cernavoda, Romania. This center rescues girls out of human trafficking and also brings disaster relief at the war-torn Ukrainian border.







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Luke 12:32-34
"Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. [33] Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. [34] For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

John 14:12
"Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father.

SPECIAL OFFERING DATES:
NOV. 14-29, 2026

