

n 2009 Simon Sinek gave a wildly popular TED talk on the need to start with "Why?" His basic premise is that people or organizations will not truly be fulfilled and accomplish the purpose for which they exist unless they determine why they do what they do. Simply knowing what is done and how it is done is not enough.



For an organization as rich and diverse as FEA Ministries, it is essential to know why we exist. Around the world a great variety of ministries take place daily. Many projects are underway, programs are being developed, and strategies are being implemented. But why does FEA exist? What drives our ministry initiatives?

FEA's purpose is clear. We exist to make disciples of Christ! But there is no cookie-cutter approach to this mission. Everyone is on a distinct journey in life, and it takes many unique methods to reach people depending on the circumstances in which they find themselves. Often I refer to a funnel when sharing the diversity of our ministries. We work to draw people into the top of the funnel through many different methods ranging from orphan care and humanitarian outreaches to evangelism, church planting, and education. But at

the end of the day we are only effective if God helps us "drip out" disciples. It's all about discipleship!

In this edition we explore some of the ways we are ministering around the world. You will be introduced to the HIM missionary team, learn how discipleship takes place in Sea Breeze Community, and discover current ministry opportunities. We are also happy to introduce our newly-formed department of Muslim Ministries and share how God continues to send us new missionaries. As you read, we trust your heart will resonate with ours as you, too, determine to make disciples of Christ!

BENJAMIN MCDOWELL Managing Editor

We would love to hear your thoughts on the *World Update*. Please send your comments or questions to pr@feaministries.org.



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FEA Ministries is a nonprofit organization that exists to *Serve the Church and Reach the World*. We fulfill the Commission of Christ by producing disciple makers around the world through diverse Christian ministries. The three main branches of FEA Ministries are Hope International Missions, Sea Breeze Community and Sea Breeze Camp Meeting. Our ministry is about making sure people everywhere are ready to spend eternity with God.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT HAROLD MARTIN



It's All About Discipleship

A s Sea Breeze Camp 2018 came to a close on Sunday, February 11, I completed my first year serving as president of FEA Ministries. It was a year filled with new routines, new responsibilities, and new relationships. Traveling to various HIM fields throughout the past eighteen months has helped me learn more completely the work being accomplished by our close to thirty missionary families working in over twenty countries around the world. I have come to appreciate more fully the focus of FEA Ministries captured in our mission statement: *FEA Ministries exists to serve the church and reach the world by making disciples through evangelism, church planting, education, fellowship within the body of Christ, and ministries of mercy.*

This statement was developed many years ago and serves as a guide to all our ministry endeavors. It tells what we do—*we serve the church and reach the world*. It also tells how we do it—*through evangelism, church planting, education, fellowship within the body of Christ, and ministries of mercy*. But of primary importance this statement tells us why our organization exists. FEA—and all of our ministry endeavors through the divisions of *Sea Breeze Camp, Sea Breeze Community*, and *Hope International Missions*—exists to make disciples. At FEA Ministries "It's All About Discipleship!"

If there has ever been a time in history when our world needs the church to be serious about discipleship, it is now! In Jesus' high priestly prayer found in John 17, several attributes of a true disciple are found. Disciples are learners. They exist to bring glory to God. Disciples work together in unity and are obedient to God's Word. Disciples are joyful and share the good news of Christ to those with whom they come in contact. Disciples make other disciples!

Looking back over my short time as president, it is amazing to see how God has enabled FEA Ministries through the power of His Spirit to be effective in producing disciples around the world. New missionaries have been sent to Honduras and Mongolia and new missionary candidates approved for service in Lesotho and Central America. Much seed has been scattered through the ministry of Gospel Publishing Mission as many thousands of pieces of Christian literature have been produced and distributed around the world. New churches have been planted in Chijin, Taiwan; Managua, Nicaragua; and Sun City, Florida. A new church building was constructed for an existing congregation in Motozintla, Mexico, and funds were raised to rebuild our church on the island of South Caicos following Hurricane Irma. Though we are excited about new missionaries and new buildings, we are particularly excited to hear of new converts on many of our fields and spiritual growth in our churches.

But we must not become satisfied with past success. We must individually look to the future to see how God would like to use us in the process of drawing lost men, women, and children to Himself. And we must model what a true disciple of Christ is like. The work Jesus left for His followers to do is not possible apart from becoming like Christ as a genuine disciple. Dallas Willard wrote, "The crucial thing is that, as disciples, we have a plan for carrying out the decision we have made to devote ourselves to becoming like our Master and Lord-to increasingly live in the character and power of Christ. Disciples are those who, seriously intending to become like Jesus from the inside out, systematically and progressively rearrange their affairs to that end, under the guidance of the Word and the Spirit. That is how the disciple lives." May God help each of us live in such a way that everyone will see "it's all about discipleship." 🕿





ERIC KUHNS Tegucigalpa, Honduras Discipleship: A Two-Part Process

t was a Sunday morning. Having just finished my sermon, I stood scanning the crowd in a North American church where I had been invited to speak. God's presence was there. I spotted a visitor toward the back who had all the outward trappings of a woman of the world. She had been invited to church that morning by a friend. As the music softly played and I asked if anybody wanted to come forward, she made her way to the altar where she wept and prayed for salvation. We rejoiced that a new name was written down in glory! The lady testified, so thankful the burden of guilt and sin was gone. She was a new disciple-a follower of Jesus. But as I left the service that morning, questions swirled in the back of my mind. Would anybody take the time to disciple this new convert? Would she be taught how to please God? Would someone explain the teachings of Jesus or would she be left on her own to figure things out? Only time would tell.

In the Bible we find two meanings for the Greek word *mathēteuō*: to make disciples. First it can stand for helping people get saved. When we lead someone to Christ, we are

making disciples. This meaning is found in Acts 14:21: "And when they had preached the gospel to that city, and had taught many, they returned again to Lystra, and to Iconium and Antioch." The "taught many" in this verse is to disciple. Paul and Barnabas preached and taught the gospel, many were saved, and then the two moved on to other cities. The second definition can also mean a long process of conversion, baptizing, and teaching. We get this sense of the word in Matthew 28:19-20: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." This is not something done with a trip to the altar or in a weekend revival. This kind of discipling takes time and is hard work! The person must be led to salvation in Jesus Christ, baptized, and then taught all of the commands Jesus gave us.

Christians love to focus on the first meaning of discipleship getting people saved. But we dare not neglect the longer more difficult aspect of discipleship—teaching Christ's commands and modeling His love on an ongoing basis. Both aspects are desperately needed!

God has been helping us learn the value of discipleship. First of all, we want to see people saved. Over November and December of 2017 our prayer was that God would give us five souls before the end of the year. God answered that prayer, and by the end of December more than five people had prayed to be saved! But we have also been trying to fulfill the second meaning of discipleship. Several new converts are preparing for baptism. Lenny is one of them. She has been coming to church now for nearly a year. Through Bible studies, fellowship with believers, and discipleship classes God has been working in her life. Recently she told me how He helped her forgive an estranged sister. They had fought and bickered for a long time. Grudges and resentment had built between them. Even as their father lay on his deathbed, they stood in his

room quarreling and disputing. After his death the two sisters did not talk for years. But Lenny gave her heart to God and began to learn what the Bible teaches. She realized the need to forgive and seek peace with her sister. With God's help Lenny restored their long-lost relationship, and now they get along like old friends. The arduous process of discipleship is definitely worth it.

I often think of the words of the Ethiopian eunuch who sat reading Isaiah in his chariot. When Philip asked him if he understood what he was reading, the man replied, "How can I unless someone should guide me?" Then Philip sat next to the eunuch and explained to him the meaning of the scriptures. This is what you and I must do. Let us take the time to sit down and explain the Word of God, answer questions, and guide men and women into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. Let us go make disciples! **\$**



With God's help, Lenny was able to restore a longlost relationship.



From FEA Press

n his new book, Focused: Avoiding Diversions on the Journey to the Mission Field, HIM missionary Eric Kuhns eloquently describes the variety of detours that can hinder one from staying true to their call to serve. He writes with passion about his concern for the great number of missionaries who either never make it to the mission field or return home shortly after arrival due to entanglements that should have been avoided. Speaking from his own experiences, he points out a list of deadly traps he had to overcome and gives advice to anyone who dares to set out on the same journey.

To those preparing for cross-cultural ministry, this book is a must-read. It is a guide through the minefield of excuses to just forget God's call and stay home. The road to the mission field is lined with the dead bones of promising candidates who became victims of "legitimate" diversions. Do not become one of them! **S**



Get your own copy or purchase one for a friend. Go to feaministries.org/focused, or scan the QR code.





Spreading the Gospel in Remote Villages

Our vision is to plant an indigenous holiness church in Lebakeng that will grow and expand from one village to the next.



For several years pilots from Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) have been encouraging HIM to get involved in their Lesotho Flying Pastors program. The goal of this program is to plant churches in unreached areas of Lesotho only accessible by foot or airplane. Toward the end of 2017, the nurse-in-charge of the government clinic in Lebakeng wrote a letter to the Lesotho Flying Pastors begging for a pastor to come start a church for them. The program director shared this letter with HIM's national leader, Rev. Kali Nthabi. As we prayed about this need, we felt God clearly directing us to take on this challenge.

GLENN GAULT Director of HIM Africa

In February MAF pilot Jason Thiemann flew Pastor Kali and a team of Christians to Lebakeng for a long weekend. Each day they held services in the clinic, visited from house to house, and preached in the open air. Many people responded with interest, and a few seemed to make a serious commitment to Christ. Pastor Kali was especially encouraged by the response of the clinic staff. Not only do they want an evangelical church in the remote area they serve, but they asked for training to help them minister to people spiritually as they go about their humanitarian work at the clinic.

The results of this initial visit were very encouraging, but the challenges of establishing a thriving church are big! We must negotiate our way through MAF's busy flight schedule, the many demands of HIM's other churches and ministries, and cold winter months.

On a spiritual level we are recognizing the tremendous need of God's help. Since we cannot visit these people often, we are trusting the Holy Spirit to work in a special way to convict sinners and help new converts become mature disciples of Christ.

This endeavor can only succeed through a network of partners. MAF and their pilots, the nurse-in-charge at the Lebakeng Clinic, and godly national leaders are already in place. There are still two outstanding needs. First and foremost, we need strong prayer support! Already we sense Satan's opposition to this attack on a stronghold of his kingdom. Please surround this effort with intercessory prayer! The other need is financial. In spite of MAF's generous subsidy, the cost of each flight is still several hundred dollars and varies based on whether we have to charter a whole plane or can take advantage of an empty seat or two when supplies are being delivered to the clinic. We need your financial support.

Our vision is to plant an indigenous holiness church in Lebakeng that will grow and expand from one village to the next. Ultimately we want to see a network of churches in the Senqu River valley that will change the lives of whole communities in this remote area. If you will join us in prayer and giving, this vision can become a reality, and another part of the Great Commission can be completed! **3**



BRADLEY HALTER Chungli, Taiwan

Discipling the Next Generation

From where are Taiwanese pastors called? For the Chungli church the answer is a small town in central Taiwan. Here Wang Rwei Chi, or Rich, grew into adulthood without any Christian influence on his life.

Rich had his first contacts with Christianity as a university student. One day a Christian professor who attends our Chungli church invited him to a Bible study. Rich became a faithful student and after a while believed in Jesus. He began attending our church and was baptized by Edward Palm.

After graduation Rich was employed in the Chungli area and continued to attend our church. His steadiness over a period of years led to his election as an elder. Later he joined a team of church planters sent out by the church. This gave him his first opportunities to preach. It was evident he had gifts for ministering. Finally the day came when Rich sensed God was calling him to prepare for full-time ministry. After discussing his feelings with me and praying for God's guidance, Rich resigned from his management position with a major international company and enrolled in seminary. The Chungli church supported him, and in return Rich served for five years as an assistant pastor with me.

During this time I involved Rich in all aspects of the ministry on a progressive scale, giving him more and more responsibility until he was ready to take on full pastoral leadership. I then resigned, and Rich was elected by the congregation to be their pastor.

I have been blessed to disciple Rich and many others down through the years. What an encouragement to be involved with raising up the next generation of church leadership in Taiwan! \$



Pastor Rich, a product of discipleship





ED DURHAM Director of HIM Europe God is at Work in Europe

Praise God for helping HIM's work in Europe. This year we have been blessed with several new ministry opportunities in addition to our ongoing ministries. Sally (Sebo) Iovan and her husband Timotei continue to pour their lives into the orphan children at the House of Hope in Romania. They have started preparations for a transition home for one of the young men who will need to get out on his own in the next couple of years.

Richard and Judy Grout are encouraged with the advancement in Russia under the capable hands of several young men and women whom they have influenced over the years. Correspondence ministries to children and prisoners, rehabilitation of drug and alcohol addicts, as well as outreach to the poor and homeless are just some of the ways the gospel is spreading.

Heather and I have started an English Fellowship Outreach here in Hungary, and we continue to minister to refugees, orphans, and "at risk" young women. Summer ministries across the region include youth camps, vacation Bible schools, and English/Bible camps. I want to express my deepest appreciation for your prayers and financial support for the missionaries in Europe. We value your ongoing partnership with us as we make disciples of Christ. **3**



WITH FRIENDS OF FEA

FULFILLING THE GREAT COMMISSION... TOGETHER!

An Interview with **PRESIDENT HAROLD MARTIN**

Harold Martin has served as president of FEA Ministries since 2017. He is passionate about seeing FEA's mission of making disciples expand where we currently minister and into new places around the world. In this conversation Harold discusses his appreciation for FEA's ministry impact and his priorities going forward.

CONVERSATIONS

You have served as president of FEA Ministries for almost a year and a half. In that time what has surprised you the most? The thing that has struck me time and again is just how much is happening around the world as a result of FEA Ministries and Hope International Missions in particular. There are so many stories to tell. When you think about the amount of ministry happening out of this organization, it is incredible. I think it would surprise most. Whether caring for orphans in Romania, working with secret Christian schools in China, or distributing Bibles in southern Africa, we are a diverse, far-reaching ministry.

In what ways have you been most encouraged as FEA president? I have been encouraged in a lot of ways. Our missionaries are an encouragement to me. I am inspired by the number of people—thousands of people who stand by this organization with their prayers and support. Also there is strong interest in missions, and new families are contacting us about missionary service, which has been very encouraging.



FEA is unique in that it has three interdependent yet distinct divisions. From your perspective, is this a strength? Yes, I view this as a strength. We are one organization, and the three divisions serve each other to fulfill our mission of making disciples. Sea Breeze Camp is an excellent time for spiritual growth and a focus on holy living. The outflow of a heart filled with the Spirit is always service and a desire to reach the world around us. Camp feeds directly into missions both in fostering support for missions and in the calling of missionaries. Sea Breeze Community enables us to care for our missionaries from the time they sign up with Hope International Missions until they retire and come home. The three divisions of FEA are inter-related, and each has an important part to play in our mission.

As you travel to various HIM mission fields, what stands out regarding our missionaries? On every field I visit, I find people tremendously dedicated to the work God has called them to fulfill. Our missionaries are quality men and women who have taken time to research the areas where they work and to be educated in missions. Even though these highly capable people could be successful in ministry here in the US, they have chosen to leave their families and the comforts of home to serve around the world. In spite of the difficulties involved, they serve with integrity and passion!

What most excites you as you look toward the near future? I am excited about several things—in particular some major remodeling projects we plan to do. One will be a facility for our missionaries to stay in when on our campus. We also intend to create a media center which will enable us to tell our story better. I am excited about new missionaries joining us. This year two new missionary units began serving in Africa. But I guess more than anything, I am excited about the unknown. Since I became president, ministry opportunities have popped up seemingly out of nowhere. As we pray and work, it is amazing how the Lord brings the right people and the right finances along to meet the needs. I know God is going to continue opening doors as we follow Him!

What are your priorities for FEA Ministries? There are two main areas of focus. First, I continue working with our regional directors and missionaries to ensure all our various ministries are actively creating disciples. This is our mission. Secondly, I want to see God calling more people to serve as missionaries with HIM. On college campuses, in churches, and elsewhere, we are letting people know the many ministry opportunities available. I am trusting God to see our number of missionaries grow so lives can be won to Christ.

What message do you have for FEA supporters? First of all, thank you so much for your support! Please keep praying for and giving to our missionaries. We are committed to use these funds with integrity to see the work of God advance. Secondly, share the good news with others. Perhaps your church can participate in our Engage program to learn more about our fields. Let your friends and family know there is a place available for service at FEA. Together we can continue fulfilling the Great Commission! **S**

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"If you are ever inclined to pray for a missionary, do it at once, wherever you are." –MARY SLESSOR, SCOTTISH MISSIONARY TO NIGERIA

Meet the Hope International Missions Team!



ope International Missions (HIM) has one of the best missionary teams in the world! About thirty missionary families or individuals serve and have outreaches in more than twenty countries around the world. Your support enables them to make disciples for Christ. Thank you!

As cross-cultural workers, missionaries face a unique set of challenges. Separation from family and friends, culture shock and adjustment, increased spiritual warfare, and danger are a normal part of their lives. Ask God to give our missionaries strength, guidance, protection, and wisdom as they minister to those around them.



GLENN AND STEPHANIE

Location: Matukeng, Lesotho Ministry Focus: Directors of HIM Africa

Children: Kaitlyn, Kristell, and Caleb Began Serving with HIM: 2000



PIETER AND HESTER MARAIS

Location: Smithfield, South Africa Ministry Focus: Literature Distribution

Began Serving with HIM: 1993





HIM Africa

VALERA AND MAUDE MOTOVILOV

Location: Lesotho; Ladybrand, South Africa

Ministry Focus: Children's Ministry

Children: Zarina, Alexander, and Nicolas

Began Serving with HIM: 2005

WESLEY AND MISTY PETERSON Location: Lesotho

(Under Appointment) Ministry Focus: Orphan Care,

Community Development Children: Kaylee, Karissa, Kathryn, Kara, Clayton, and Courtney Began Serving with HIM: 2017



ANGELA THORNTON

Location: Matukeng, Lesotho Ministry Focus: Education, Child Evangelism Began Serving with HIM: 2016

JOHAN AND HESSIE VAN DER MERWE

Location: Ladybrand and Hobhouse, South Africa Ministry Focus: Leadership Development Began Serving with HIM: 2000



DAVID AND CHRISTINA BLACK

Location: Kaohsiung, Taiwan Ministry Focus: Directors of HIM Asia Began Serving with HIM: 2011



NICHOLE BARR

Location: Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia Ministry Focus: English Education Began Serving with HIM: 2016





SULEN

HIM Asia

CHAI Location: South Florida Ministry Focus: Chinese Outreach Began Serving with HIM: 2004

BRADLEY AND ANITA HALTER

Location: Chungli, Taiwan Ministry Focus: Church Planting, Ministry Advisor

Began Serving with HIM: 1976

DANIEL AND DOROTHY HSU

Location: South Florida; China Ministry Focus: Chinese Outreach Began Serving with HIM: 1979







BYRON AND MELISSA MANNERS

Location: Kaohsiung, Taiwan Ministry Focus: Pastoral Ministries Began Serving with HIM: 2002

JEANNE SCHWARTZ

Location: South Florida; China Ministry Focus: Chinese Outreach Began Serving with HIM: 1989

CHRIS AND CRYSTAL **ZHOU**

Location: South Florida; China Ministry Focus: Chinese Outreach Children: Samuel and Isabella Began Serving with HIM: 2008

HIM Caribbean



FRANK AND MARILYN VAUGHN Location: South Florida; Haiti

Ministry Focus: Director of Haitian Ministries

Began Serving with HIM: 2006



MICHAEL AND DARYL HOBBS

Location: South Florida; Haiti Ministry Focus: Pastoral and Leadership Training

Began Serving with HIM: 2009



MARILYN MARCHANT

Location: North Caicos, Turks and Caicos Islands Ministry Focus: Pastoral Ministries

Began Serving with HIM: 1966-77; 2007



EDWARD AND HEATHER **DURHAM**

Location: Budapest, Hungary Ministry Focus: Directors of HIM Europe Began Serving with HIM: 2010



HIM Europe

HIM Spanish Ministries

RICHARD AND JUDY GROUT

Location: Vyborg, Russia Ministry Focus: Russian Ministries Coordinators Began Serving with HIM: 1993



TIMOTEI AND SALLY (SEBO) IOVAN

ERIC AND HANNAH

Location: Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Ministry Focus: Church Planting,

Leadership Training

Children: Joseph and Daniel

Began Serving with HIM: 2006

Location: Talpos, Romania Ministry Focus: Orphan Ministry Began Serving with HIM: 2002



JOHN AND JAN DYKES

Location: South Florida Ministry Focus: Directors of HIM Spanish Ministries

Began Serving with HIM: 1979 (various terms of service)



PHILIP AND COLLETTE BURCH

Location: Lebanon, Pennsylvania Ministry Focus: US Church Ministries Began Serving with HIM: 2003



Began Serving with HIM: 2014 DOUGLAS AND KIMBERLY

Humanitarian Ministries

HOFFMAN Location: Dominican Republic (On Extended Furlough)

Ministry Focus: Youth Ministries Children: Brandon, Jonathan, Ryan, and Regina

Began Serving with HIM: 2013



SHANE WALTERS

KUHNS

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Began Serving with HIM: 2017



JOE AND GAY TAYLOR

Location: South Florida Ministry Focus: Director of Gospel Publishing Mission (GPM) Began Serving with HIM: 1994

Gospel Publishing Mission

ROBERT

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Location: South Florida Ministry Focus: GPM Office Assistant Began Serving with HIM: 2009



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Under Appointment to Serve for One Year

Short-term Missionaries

STEPHANIE WALTER Location: Central Pennsylvania

Ministry Focus: Amish Ministry Under Appointment to Serve for One Year



FRENCH



Gospel Publishing Mission (GPM)

Gospel Publishing Mission (GPM) is HIM's department of literature development and distribution. This unique facet of our ministry produces quality gospel literature translated into International English, a vocabulary of 1,500 basic English words designed specifically for those who speak English as a second language. GPM then distributes the literature around the globe, often in restricted countries where traditional missionary endeavors would be extremely difficult. To date GPM has distributed over 3 million books in 217 countries—nearly every country on earth! We are grateful for the opportunity to minister in this way and excited about how God is using it in the lives of others.



Department of Orphan Ministries

James 1:27 informs us that an important part of serving God includes "...visit[ing] the fatherless and widows in their affliction..." Compassion, a necessary expression of our faith, is especially important for the hurt and vulnerable. An overwhelming need exists to care for thousands of orphans around the world, and we refuse to neglect this critical ministry of mercy. Our missionaries are currently ministering to orphans in Romania, Slovakia, Haiti, and southern Africa. Although essential, our goal is not only to attend to the physical needs of the orphans in our care but most importantly to share Jesus with each child and teen, discipling them throughout their walk with God so they can one day disciple others.



Department of Education

Christian education has always been an important part of HIM's work. We are concerned about training tomorrow's leaders today, and our Department of Education exists to do just that—partnering with HIM missionaries and national churches around the world to help train and equip local Christian workers for effective servant leadership in churches. Our mission is to help teach children and youth, train lay workers in the local church, prepare pastors for the ministry, and develop leaders for national churches.

Our partnership with Shepherds Global Classroom (SGC) is helping us improve and expand this ministry. An extremely valuable resource, SGC provides quality, easy-to-understand Bible curriculum that can be taught in countries around the world. HIM is responsible for getting SGC's materials translated into Spanish and Chinese, thus further expanding their impact.



Department of Muslim Ministries

For some time, we have sensed God leading HIM to begin strategically working to reach Muslims for Christ. FEA's board approved the formation of a Department of Muslim Ministries (DMM) in 2017. Now that the framework for this important ministry has been built, we are working to strengthen our resources and ultimately equip missionaries to effectively minister to those of this rapidly growing faith. We are excited about God's evident work in the lives of Muslims and the people He is calling to reach them and eagerly anticipate sending men and women to serve Muslims both at home and abroad.

Without prayer, even though there may be increased interest in missions, more work for them, better success in organization and greater finances, the real growth of the spiritual life and of the love of Christ in the people may be very small. –ANDREW MURRAY (1828-1917), KEY TO THE MISSIONARY PROBLEM



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Almost 1 in 4 people in the world are Muslim... and that number is growing!

HIM Department of Muslim Ministries

Close to 1.8 billion people are Muslim. Islam is the second-largest and fastest-growing religion in the world. However, in unprecedented numbers God is drawing Muslims to faith in Christ.

For many years God has been leading HIM to begin ministering to Muslims. A new department of Muslim Ministries has been established to train and equip missionaries to effectively reach Muslims for Christ wherever they are located. We are excited to see how God uses this department to make disciples here in America and around the world.



For every 300,000 Muslims there is only one Christian worker. Will you help us see this change? Join the HIM team as we work to introduce Muslims to the love of Christ.

Learn more at feaministries.org/missions/muslim





Help Wanted

A thope International Missions we are grateful for the wonderful team of missionaries God has given us. However, the Great Commission remains unfinished. There are literally billions of unreached people around the world who have never heard the good news of the gospel. There are cities teaming with millions where the light of Christ's love needs to shine into dark corners of evil and penetrate high offices of leadership and power. There are remote villages that need hope. There are sick, poor, disadvantaged, starving people who need to be given a cup of cold water in Jesus' name. In America the mission field has come home. Minority groups are growing. Muslims are increasing in number right in our backyard. The opportunities to make faithful disciples of Christ are great both at home and abroad.

We are doing our best to wisely and effectively make as many disciples as possible wherever we can. Yet there is much more to be done, and we need help! We need new, passionate missionaries! We need new, committed senders! How does God want YOU to help us?



Opportunities for Service

SOUTH AFRICA

Church Planting/Pastor Training Missionary for South Africa: Develop and expand the leadership of churches in South Africa and help them plant new congregations.

Literature Missionary: Coordinate the printing and distribution of Bibles and Christian literature to rural areas of southern Africa.

Children's Worker: Help expand current after-school programs and train national leadership to lead and facilitate these ongoing programs.

LESOTHO

Missionary to the Chinese in Lesotho and South Africa: Follow up on the regular Chinese radio broadcasts to build relationships with Chinese immigrants with the goal of leading them to Christ.

ZAMBIA

Church Planter/Educator: Develop and start a training center using Shepherds Global Classroom materials.

MONGOLIA

Teachers: Begin working immediately in the public school system, teaching at all levels from grade school to university. In the future opportunities may evolve to work in a Christian day school. Missionary to the Homeless: Work with the indigent people of Mongolia. Possibilities include a homeless shelter, soup kitchen, mobile health service, targeted education services, jobs and life skills training and much more.

Missionary for the Visually Impaired: Work among the high number of visually impaired people in Ulaanbaatar. Help people obtain resources, arrange transportation (anything from shopping to medical or government appointments), etc.

Counselor/Psychologist: Counsel troubled individuals, mostly college-aged persons. Be comfortable dealing with topics of abuse, depression, suicide, and other sensitive topics.

HUNGARY

TESOL Educator: Teach English at a Christian school in Budapest. Use English tutoring as a way to make contacts and lead people to Christ.

SLOVAKIA

Children/Youth Worker: Minister to gypsy children. Develop weekly lifeskills programs. Connect with youth through various activities such as sports camps.

Handyman: Work at the New Horizons Center remodeling and maintaining the facility. Administrator at New Horizons Center: Work alongside national leader to teach life skills to the troubled girls. Perform simple administrative duties.

ROMANIA

Youth/Children Worker: Work with current missionaries and national leaders to begin another orphan ministry in a different part of Romania.

CZECH REPUBLIC

TESOL Educator: Teach English at schools in Czech Republic. Use English tutoring as a way to make contacts and lead people to Christ.

GUATEMALA

Missionary Training Couple: Oversee and train church leadership in Mexico and Guatemala for further growth and expansion.

TAIWAN

Teachers: Help HIM partner churches start Christian schools. Teach English in a variety of settings. Need to be capable of organizing and conducting small group English Bible study groups in homes, coffee shops, churches, etc.

Music Trainer: Help direct music programs including music instruction. Teach hymnology in HIM partner churches and offer private lessons for musical instruments or voice.

Church Planter/Leadership Trainer:

Help with pastoral and leadership training. Fill the pulpits of HIM partner churches in Taiwan when needed. Assist with current Bible study outreaches and begin other outreaches with the goal of these growing into new churches.

CHINA

TESOL Educator: Teach English in a Christian school. This is a creative access country.

Counselor/Leadership Trainer: Teach in house churches, train small group leaders, and assist with current Christian education ministries. Serve as a counselor to Christian families.

US MUSLIM MINISTRIES

TESOL Educator: Begin a quality program to teach English to Muslims in the Archdale, NC, area. Develop relationships and trust with Muslims with the goal of leading them to Christ.

PIONEER MISSIONARIES NEEDED

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Argentina Japan

• Chile

- Panama
- Czech Republic
 Spain

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India
 Vietnam

Where do you feel led to serve?

We would love to talk with you about how HIM can help facilitate that call!

FEA NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD

NEWLY COMMISSIONED MISSIONARIES



Wes and Misty Peterson Family

Both Wes and Misty have been involved in missions from an early age. Wes was born in the US Virgin Islands and later served with his parents in the Cayman Islands as missionaries. At the age of five, Misty moved with her family to Papua New Guinea where her parents served as missionaries for fourteen years. Wes attended Hobe Sound Bible College before transferring to Indian River State College to earn a certification in Computer Information Systems. Misty graduated from Labette Community College with a nursing degree (1997) and from Hobe Sound Bible College with a degree in Missions (2001). They were married in 1999 and have since been blessed with six children: Kaylee-14, Karissa-13, Kathryn-11, Kara-10, and 7-year-old twins, Clayton and Courtney.

Wes has twenty years of business and management experience including starting his own successful service company, Integrity Drywall Services. Misty's love for children led her to the field of nursing where she has enjoyed twenty years of caring for mothers and newborns.

Both Wes and Misty have sensed God's call to serve orphaned, vulnerable children throughout the world, their passion being matched by a devastating need in Lesotho where many children are orphaned. The Peterson's goal is to help make disciples by working with orphans in communitybased programs through the ministry of the local church. Pray for them as they begin their ministry in Africa. *S* Wes and Misty Peterson and Angela Thornton were commissioned as HIM missionaries during Sea Breeze Camp 2018. Angela arrived in Lesotho in May, and the Petersons traveled there at the end of August. We are delighted to have them as part of the HIM team!

Angela Thornton

Born into a holiness minister's home in 1984, Angela accepted Christ as Savior and answered God's call to be a missionary at age four. She has a breadth of educational and ministry experience, graduating from Wesleyan Holiness Bible College with an AA in Christian Ministry focusing in missions (2006), from Somerset Community College with an AA in Nursing (2010), from Penn



View Bible Institute with an Advanced Diploma in Missionary Nursing (2014), and from Columbia International University with a Master of Education in Instruction and Learning as well as Educational Administration (2017). Angela has taught Sunday school classes for groups ranging from toddlers to adults; employed her vocal talents and pianist skills in music ministry; mentored young women; advised national nurses at HIM's clinic in Matukeng, Lesotho; and pursued her passion child evangelism—through leading vacation Bible schools, serving as a summer camp children's worker, teaching junior churches, training child evangelism workers, and working in bus ministries.

"When God asked me as a four-year-old girl to be a missionary, I never imagined I would board a plane on May 15, 2018, to begin my first term as a missionary in Lesotho, Africa. God is already opening doors for me to disciple children and young people. Please pray for me as I endeavor to help others prepare for eternity in Southern Africa." ~Angela *©* JOIN US IN SOUTH FLORIDA FOR A TIME OF WARM FELLOWSHIP AND SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS.



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Thank You for Years of Faithful Service





NANCY MESSENGER

DARLENE EDWARDS

For the past ten years Nancy Messenger and Darlene Edwards have served faithfully as HIM missionaries to Taiwan. In addition to their pastoral responsibilities at the Kaohsiung Bible Holiness Church, they have also led our summer English Camp program. Only eternity will reveal the number of children who have been touched by this exciting ministry. Nancy and Darlene recently felt the need to resign from HIM as missionaries. We commend Nancy and Darlene on their dedication to the work of the Lord and wish them the best in their future endeavors.

Find Louie the Monkey!

Louie the monkey is hiding again. See if you can find him, and be sure to let us know! The first five kids who call 772-545-1113 or email engagekids@feaministries.org will have their names published in the next issue of the *World Update*. Please make sure to include the page number and location when you contact us. Happy hunting!



Winners from Last Time Christopher Brubaker – Mifflintown, PA Lincoln Hamilton – Hobe Sound, FL Christian Heath – Thomasville, NC Leah McKensie – Canton, OH Rylie Stratton – Chambersburg, PA

New Director of Member Care



HIM is passionate about ensuring each of our missionaries are well cared for-emotionally, spiritually, physically, and relationally. As our team continues to grow, we recognize the importance of having gualified people who are responsible to nurture and care for our dedicated missionaries. Each regional director is tasked in part with this objective. But for some time our desire has been to expand this crucial area by hiring someone to direct our member care services. We are thrilled to announce that Steve Stetler has joined the HIM family as Director of Member Care. Steve is eminently qualified to fulfill this position having served thirty-eight years in ministry as an educator, pastor, and missionary. He is passionate about ensuring the health and well-being of missionaries, and we anticipate the positive impact he will have on our team as we continue to expand. \$

Evangelizing the Masses

Summer 2007 found Joe Taylor in China for the annual Beijing International Book Fair. As he joined others on a bus tour through the city, he viewed expensive structures being constructed for the 2008 Olympic games. It was then God caused him to wonder: "What is being done to present Christ and the message of salvation to the millions of people who gather at these summer games?" Joe



asked the tour guide, a fellow believer, that very question.

Throughout his week in Beijing, God kept impressing Joe with the opportunity that was being wasted with each passing international sports event. "Joe, this should *not* happen again," he heard God say. "You need to do something about it." Over the next weeks and months, Joe began to work on plans for the mass distribution of gospel books at the 2012 London Olympics event.

Each time one of these international major sporting events takes place, millions of dollars are spent on tickets, travel, and housing during the month of the games. The people who come truly love sports. If we as Christians are able to talk to them about the best and most important news in the world, we must get their attention first! That is why Gospel Publishing Mission spends much time and money for attractive covers and quality paper for our full-color books. We use the first several pages to talk about the history of the particular event. Interesting trivia facts about athletes are interspersed throughout the book. We pray and search diligently for a good story—the life story of a famous Christian athlete—that can be told in the main part of the book as a segue to the gospel message.

God has faithfully led GPM in the completion and distribution of over 1.5 million books at Summer Olympic and World Cup events hosted in England, Brazil, and Russia. Endless stories could be told of amazing miracles God has worked as He has taken these books to the people who need them most around the world. Only heaven will reveal the impact of these gospel seeds sown at international sport events. *\$*

By The Numbers

GPM Director Joe Taylor along with project manager Robert Booth, FEA board member Larry Gardner, and HIM missionary Richard Grout spent most of the last two weeks of June traveling in Russia to observe the World Cup event books being passed out. We give special thanks to the national churches who organized the distribution throughout the various World Cup host cities. What a privilege to sow gospel seed in Russia through this literature!

World Cup Trip by the Numbers

- 4 World Cup cities visited—Moscow, St. Petersburg, Nizhny Novgorod, and Kazan
- 6 flights
- 11,334 air miles
- 47 hours spent on trains
- 67 miles walked
- Countless metros
- 300,000 books being distributed
- Lives touched by the gospel message—only God knows! \$









SEA BREEZE COMMUNITY



JON TOFTE SBC Business Manager Discipleship in Community

C ea Breeze Community has many Junique characteristics which make it a special place to live. Certainly, our ministry to the many guests who attend Sea Breeze Camp each year is our oldest hallmark and remains a vital part of what we do. We are also known for ministering to retired pastors, missionaries, and Christian workers from across the holiness movement. It is a privilege to provide a safe, loving community and opportunities for continued ministry to these who have sacrificed so much throughout their lives. One way they bless others is through nurturing and discipling younger believers and recent converts.

Our community's residents include young families, more than one singleparent household, and a variety of people who have come seeking the peace and security only God can provide for the difficulties they face. Recently, the Lord has allowed us to minister to one such family who had gone through some truly deep waters. The single parent reached out to us looking for a place to establish a Christ-centered home and find a measure of stability for three children. It has been rewarding to see the progress this family has made and the changed countenances of these young residents. Without the special haven Sea Breeze Community provides, combined with the integral ministries of Hobe Sound Bible Church and Hobe Sound Christian Academy, this transformation would never have been possible. The children are now attending the academy and are active in church programs. Their parent has also found wise counsel and prayerful support for the challenging road ahead.

Discipleship does not end with youth. We have been blessed to help some of our older residents work through difficulties, establish better habits, and strengthen their walk with Christ. If these members of Sea Breeze Community had chosen to live in one of South Florida's many "regular" residential neighborhoods, would they have experienced the same opportunity? I do not know, but I strongly believe the purposeful creation of a community that combines a place to live with ongoing encouragement to serve the Lord makes a tremendous difference.

People need discipled in different areas of life. At Sea Breeze Community we are blessed to have individuals who can share, encourage, and when needed reprove from an amazing array of unique experiences and talents. As these seasoned believers share with newer converts—or long-time Christians going through a hard time—real discipleship happens. Much as the disciples were transformed by the time they spent living in the presence of Jesus during His ministry on earth, so today we can be part of the transformation process for others coming to faith in Christ.

Our Sea Breeze Community has room for more committed disciples who have a desire to help others become more like Jesus. If you would like to learn more about currently available housing possibilities, please contact Jon Tofte, Sea Breeze Community Business Manager, at (772) 546-1113 or jontofte@feaministries.org. We would love to have you join us! **\$**



INTERCEDING FOR THE NEEDS OF THE WORLD - TOGETHER

Our focus at FEA Ministries is discipleship. But beyond our organization, every one of us is tasked with the same responsibility. We were created to make disciples—faithful Christ followers! The following excerpt is written by David Platt in his introduction to Multiply. We recommend this book as a resource to Christians who desire to be more effective in making disciples.

May God give each of us an increased burden to make disciples of Christ!

From the beginning of Christianity, the natural overflow of being a disciple of Jesus has always been to make disciples of Jesus. "Follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men" (Matt. 4:19). This was a promise: Jesus would take His disciples and turn them into disciple makers. And this was a command: He called each of His disciples to go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey Him (Matt. 28:19-20). From the start, God's design has been for every single disciple of Jesus to make disciples who make disciples who make disciples until the gospel spreads to all peoples.

Yet we have subtly and tragically taken this costly command of Christ to go, baptize, and teach all nations and mutated it into a comfortable call for Christians to come, be baptized, and listen in one location.... In all our activity as Christians and with all our resources in the church, we are in danger of practically ignoring the commission of Christ. We view evangelism as a dreaded topic, we reduce discipleship to a canned program, and so many in the church end up sidelined in a spectator mentality that delegates disciple making to pastors and professionals, ministers and missionaries.

But this is not the way it's supposed to be. Jesus has invited all of us to be a part of His plan. He has designed all of His people to know His joy as we share His love, spread His Word, and multiply His life among all of the people of the earth. This is the grand purpose for which we were created: to enjoy the grace of Christ as we spread the gospel of Christ from wherever we live to the ends of the earth. **3**

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PRAY FOR DISCIPLES TO BE MADE - The Great Commission to "make disciples of all the nations" is the responsibility of every believer today, and it remains at the core of our work at HIM. As both disciples and "disciplers," our missionaries and workers need God's strength and guidance to reach those around them and to personally grow in their walk with Christ. **Pray for effective discipleship to continue taking place across all facets of HIM's ministry. (Matthew 28:19-20)**

PRAY FOR NEW MISSIONARIES - So many people around the world are spiritually lost and in desperate need of the gospel. We are grateful for the missionary team God has given us but are convinced many others need to answer the call to serve. Join us as we ask earnestly for "the Lord of the harvest" to continue sending people into the harvest fields He has prepared. (Luke 10:2)

PRAY FOR HIM'S DEPARTMENT OF MUSLIM

MINISTRIES - God's work is evident among Muslims, and we are excited about what He is doing! Our new Department of Muslim Ministries (DMM) was created specifically to train and equip missionaries to effectively reach Muslims for Christ wherever they may be. Please pray for those preparing to work with Muslims in the future, for God to call more individuals to work with Muslims, and for the ongoing strengthening of our new department. **S**



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DID YOU KNOW...

The end goal of FEA Ministries is to make disciples of Christ. We do this through a variety of ministries including evangelism, church planting, humanitarian ministries, education, and more.

2 Hope International Missions has established a new Department of Muslim Ministries. Islam is the second-largest, fastest-growing religion in the world. God is leading us to reach Muslims for Christ, and we are praying for missionaries to work with these people.

During the 2018 World Cup, 300,000 attractive books published by Gospel Publishing Mission were distributed throughout Russia. Each book contains interesting facts and stories of the World Cup as well as a clear gospel message. What a privilege to sow gospel seed through the distribution of this literature!

God has blessed Hope International Missions with a tremendous team of missionaries. These men, women, and families are selflessly sharing the love of Christ and making disciples in over twenty countries around the world. However, we are actively

seeking to expand our impact! Currently there are twenty-two ministry opportunities for which we need workers. Scan the QR code to learn more.

