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# FROM *the* PRESIDENT

*I am glad the missionary came.*

BY HAROLD MARTIN  
FEA President

**A** few months ago my friend, Jacob Adderley, passed away in Nassau, Bahamas. Brother Adderley was raised on the island of Black Point, Exuma, a small remote island in the Bahama chain. His life was forever changed when Rev. Gordon Winter and his family arrived to do missionary work in the Exumas. I once heard Brother Adderley testify about their arrival.

**HE EXCLAIMED, “I AM SO GLAD THE MISSIONARIES CAME TO MY ISLAND! MY LIFE WAS CHANGED!”**

Though it was a number of years ago when I heard his testimony, those words ring out even more loudly now that he is with God—“I am so glad the missionary came to my island!”

Have you ever taken the time to consider how you came to first hear the gospel? Most of us in the United States do not even consider the fact that a missionary played a role in our spiritual journey—but undoubtedly they did!

Recently on a ministry trip to Romania, I enjoyed a brief



Adderley and Newton



Valera Motovilov conducting an English Bible Study

visit to a cave known as Saint Andrew's Cave. Apparently after the resurrection of Jesus, the Apostle Andrew evangelized widely in what is known today as Romania and occasionally took shelter in the cave we visited. My roots, as with many Americans, go to Europe, specifically Germany and Ireland. I am so grateful a missionary made it to those places. I am a life that was changed!

It is the honor of a lifetime to work with the dedicated team of missionaries serving with Hope International Missions. Only eternity will reveal the full impact of their faithfulness, but I am confident many in eternity will be saying, "I am so glad the missionary came to my country, to my city, to my neighborhood. I am a life that was changed!"

**HOW BEAUTIFUL ARE THE FEET OF THEM THAT PREACH THE GOSPEL OF PEACE, AND BRING GLAD TIDINGS OF GOOD THINGS!**

- ROMANS 10:15



Tim and Sally Lovan sharing the gospel with Pastor Dan in Romania



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# MISSIONARY SPOTLIGHT INTRODUCTION

## *Our Call*

Dear Christian,

I hope this letter finds you well. I wanted to share a bit about how we were called and eventually SENT into the harvest. Growing up as a missionary child in the Caribbean instilled in me a deep heart and passion for other cultures and for missions. This passion became a reality when I finally surrendered my own dreams to embrace what God had spoken to us about for our lives.

It has been a long journey. Years of waiting and seeking led us through a variety of circumstances, people, and events that eventually placed us on a path to move to Africa as missionaries.

In 2017 I shared part of how God called us before we were SENT to the harvest in Lesotho. Scan the QR code to hear how that story unfolded.

Today Misty and I and our six children reside in Hobe Sound, Florida, where I serve as Director of Public Relations for FEA Ministries. We are grateful to continue serving in different capacities and to witness the impact of our efforts.

Thank you for taking the time to listen to our story. Just like God was able to use us in the harvest, I know God has a plan for you too.

Warm regards,  
*Wes Peterson*

P.S. Turn the page to read in this special edition of the "World Update" about the missionaries and where they are working in the harvest. We have some wonderful people serving cross-culturally with Hope International Missions, and you will enjoy reading about them and where they serve. They, too, have their own SENT story we hope you will hear in the future.





## "Our Call" Wes Peterson

Learn more about how God called  
Wes and his family into ministry in  
this short audio recording.



Scan the QR code  
with your phone.



The Peterson family moving to Africa in 2018

**Hope International Missions is seeking those who have surrendered unconditionally—ready to live and be SENT. Today 3.57 billion people still need to hear the name of Jesus. Is God calling you?**



# HIM Africa Missionaries

## Glenn and Stephanie Gault Lesotho | Directors of HIM Africa

Glenn and Stephanie Gault have been serving HIM in Lesotho, Africa, since 2000 with their children Kaitlyn, Kristell, and Caleb. They focus on training leaders to plant new churches and promoting children's ministry, but they are also involved in a variety of other work.

Glenn is director of HIM Africa. This includes coordinating HIM's missionary efforts on the African continent and expanding ministry into new countries. In 2020 Hope International Missions and Bible Methodist Missions partnered to form a ministry initiative called Africa 85 to help educate the 85 percent of African pastors who are untrained or under-trained. Glenn leads this ministry. Stephanie works with children and trains nationals to do the same.

The Gaults envision new holiness churches planted in Lesotho and South Africa. African leaders will be trained to spread the Good News. Orphans and vulnerable children will become godly, productive citizens.



### Support the Gault family

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## Matthew and Brooke Smith Lesotho | Discipleship, Youth Ministries

Matthew was a young teenager when he first felt called as a missionary. After several short-term mission trips he knew Africa had captured his heart. He and Brooke are completing their deputation and plan to arrive in Lesotho in 2026.

During their first six months there, the Smiths will focus on learning Sesotho, the primary language. Matthew desires to disciple adults, including pastors and prospective church leaders. Brooke plans to teach English and art to the young people, incorporating both subjects into Bible lessons.

As they embark on this adventure together, Matthew and Brooke appreciate your prayers that God will use them to impact souls for the kingdom.



### Support the Smith family

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# HIM Africa Missionaries



## Angela Thornton

Lesotho | Education, Healthcare Ministries

At a young age Angela felt God's call upon her life to missions. After years of training and preparation, she moved to Lesotho, Africa, in 2018. Her skills as a registered nurse allow her to touch lives for Christ through the ministry of Matukeng Health Centre. Angela's years of experience in child evangelism and degrees in education open many opportunities for her to connect with the younger generations in Lesotho to help them prepare for eternity.

From the pulpit to the classroom to the clinic exam room, Angela considers it a privilege to be the hands and feet of her Savior, using the skills He has gifted to her to help souls prepare for their eternal future. Angela says, "Thank you for partnering with me through prayer and finances to Help Others Prepare for Eternity in Lesotho."



### Support Angela Thornton

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## Hester Marais

South Africa | Prayer Ministry

Pieter and Hester Marais began serving as HIM missionaries in 1993. They served as the directors of HIM Africa for many years. Brother Pieter went to heaven in 2020. Sister Hester is retired but continues to shine the light of God's love on everyone she meets.

The Marais lived in Lesotho for three years, planting five churches. They then moved to South Africa where they evangelized, planted churches, conducted Bible studies, and mentored new missionaries.

When they discovered people in many African countries could not easily obtain Bibles in tribal languages, they began buying and distributing these Bibles in the areas of greatest need. Bible societies and donors helped subsidize the price, allowing even rural people to afford them. They sold Bibles at area markets in Zambia, Zimbabwe, Botswana, and Namibia, distributing over 185,000 Bibles.



### Support Hester Marais

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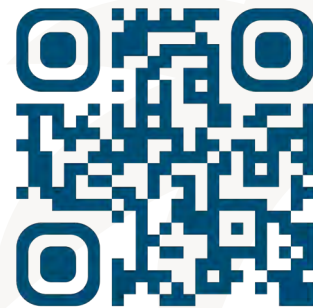
# HIM Africa Missionaries



## Johan and Hessie van der Merwe South Africa | Leadership Development

Johan and Hessie van der Merwe, natives of South Africa, have served with HIM since 2000. For many years they planted churches and discipled leaders among the Sotho people of South Africa, where the work now continues under national leadership. They also minister among their own people, the Afrikaans farming community. Partnering with missionaries from the African Evangelical Band, they have planted Cornerstone Farm Church. Johan assists with preaching, and Hessie supports children's ministry and music.

Living on a farm in South Africa's Free State province, their farmhouse serves as a "home" for missionaries: a place of rest, fellowship, and prayer. Their ministry reflects their deep desire to live out Romans 12:1-2, offering their lives as a living sacrifice to God and seeking His perfect will through renewed minds and transformed hearts.



### Support Johan and Hessie van der Merwe

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# HIM Asia Missionaries



## Nichole Barr

**Mongolia | TESOL, Women's Ministries**

Nichole Barr began teaching and ministering in Mongolia in 2014, joining HIM in 2017. She currently teaches at one of the few Christian schools in Mongolia in the city of Ulaanbaatar. Nichole oversees their after-school program, using ACE curriculum to address educational needs and character development and to lay a groundwork of simple theology.

Working with local churches and other missionaries, Nichole participates in Bible studies, small group meetings, and one-on-one discipleship. She also participates in a weekly English club which offers free English learning to community members. English is a great tool for building and deepening relationships in Mongolia!

Nichole would like to open a language school/community center that would provide in-country support, enable her to offer visas to future missionaries in Mongolia, function as a school during weekdays, offer an after-school program, and operate as a church on Sundays.



### Support Nichole Barr

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## Nathanael Bundy

**Taiwan | Discipleship, Leadership Training**

Nathanael Bundy works with the churches in Kaohsiung City, Taiwan. He serves in many roles, including teacher, preacher, English instructor, children's worker, and whatever work God brings into his world.

Nathanael has taught Bible and English classes to adults, teens, and children and developed Bible-study materials. He also continues to learn the local language. Presently Nathanael has completed around three years of formal Chinese classes. Teaching has become a joy and a challenge as he has experienced the labor it takes to share valuable knowledge.

Through his ministry alongside national pastors and other HIM missionaries, Nathanael is excited to spread the gospel in this part of the world. His calling comes from Jesus' command to go into the world and make disciples. Though this task is difficult, God is in control, and He will guide the missionaries in this work.



### Support Nathanael Bundy

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# HIM Asia Missionaries



## Sulen Chai

South Florida | Chinese Outreach

Sulen Chai was saved through a campus ministry at Florida Atlantic University in 1993. Her heart for missions grew through regular participation in summer mission trips to Taiwan, where she became a faithful coworker in children's summer camps alongside Jeanne Schwartz and Dorothy Hsu. In 2004 Sulen responded to God's call by stepping out in faith and leaving her teaching career. She relocated to Hobe Sound to serve as secretary for the HIM Chinese Outreach Ministry.

Sulen is also actively involved at the Palm Beach Chinese Church, where she serves on the deacons' board and helps with the children's ministry. Her life mission is to live out holiness by His grace and to diligently prepare for the Lord's coming.



### Support Sulen Chai

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## Chris and Crystal Zhou

South Florida, China | Chinese Outreach

Chris and Crystal Zhou came to South Florida for education. They attended the HIM Chinese church in Boynton Beach. Eventually Chris was asked to become the new pastor there. The church is actively working to establish more Chinese churches in cities farther north in Florida, reaching out to Chinese immigrants and actively promoting Chinese missions to other ethnic groups. They also plan to go on short-term mission trips in South America.

The Zhou's vision is to establish a church of disciples and fulfill the Great Commission by preaching the gospel to all nations.

Chris and Crystal have one son and one daughter, both in college, whom they pray God will use in the future.



### Support Chris and Crystal Zhou

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# HIM Asia Missionaries



## Daniel and Dorothy Hsu South Florida; China | Chinese Outreach

Daniel and Dorothy Hsu have served faithfully with Chinese ministries in the US and Asia for many years. They served as pastors of the Palm Beach Chinese Christian Chapel in South Florida. Daniel continues to assist in the visiting and older people's ministries, as well as in an honorary pastoral role.

Dorothy leads three weekly discipleship and training classes via Zoom, connecting with participants from both the US and China. She also provides counseling and support to church pastors and coworkers, whom she has supported and mentored for many years.



### Daniel and Dorothy Hsu

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## Bradley and Anita Halter Taiwan | Leadership Development

Bradley and Anita Halter devoted over forty years to ministry in Taiwan, where they are deeply respected and loved. Bradley, a graduate of Hobe Sound Bible College (HSBC), pastored in Pennsylvania, then served in Taiwan with a sister mission organization and later with Hope International Missions (HIM). After a brief ministry in Miami, he returned to Taiwan in 1983.

Anita, HIM's longest-serving missionary with over fifty-one years of service, is a graduate of HSBC/CA and began ministering in the Bahamas and the Turks and Caicos Islands, then worked at the HIM home office. After marrying Bradley in 1987, she joined him in Taiwan, where they have served together since.



They helped establish three churches in Kaohsiung and Chungli, with Bradley mentoring, preaching, and teaching, and Anita supporting children's ministries and English Bible studies. Now retired in Chungli, the Halters continue to encourage the local church with their testimony of God's faithfulness and their commitment to His call.



### Support Bradley and Anita Halter

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# HIM Asia Missionaries



## Byron and Melissa Manners Taiwan | Taiwan Field Directors



### Byron and Melissa Manners

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God called Byron Manners as a teenager to work with the Chinese people, while Melissa felt drawn to missions from childhood. They were married in 1994.

In 2000 they arrived in Taiwan to teach at Chung-li Christian College. After two years they began pastoring the HIM Kaohsiung Bible Holiness Church and started eight-years of language study. In 2007 they moved across the city to pastor the Tsoying Bible Holiness Church, where they are involved in preaching, Bible studies, visitation, and church administration.

Byron serves as HIM Taiwan Field Director and chairman of Taiwan Hope International Missions, the legal organization of the national church. The Manners also care for other pastors, manage summer outreach camps, and oversee fellow missionaries. The five HIM churches in Taiwan are working closely together by strengthening relationships among pastors. The Manners also seek God's direction in ministering to Burmese people living in Thailand.



# HIM Caribbean Missionaries

## **Jim and Fredde Howard** South Florida, Caribbean | Directors of HIM Caribbean

Jim and Fredde Howard each received a call to missions during childhood. They began their service as pioneer missionaries to the West African nation of Ghana. They then served in Lesotho, Africa, and as the regional directors of HIM Africa until 2015.

When they returned to the States, Jim focused on missionary aviation flight training. When Hurricane Dorian swept through the islands, Jim used his plane to help in the relief efforts. He sensed God speaking to him about taking on a greater role in ministering to the precious island people. Soon HIM asked him to become HIM Caribbean Regional Director. He has worked alongside President Martin, bringing back aviation, the early mode of transportation to and from the islands. Jim makes regular field visits and is actively engaged in providing access and influence to FEA's earliest mission efforts, while assisting in establishing new outposts. Jim and Fredde have four children and eleven grandchildren.



### **Support Jim and Fredde Howard**

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## **Daryl Hobbs** South Florida, Haiti | Haiti Field Administrator

Daryl Hobbs is a family nurse practitioner. She has served in Haiti and the Turks and Caicos Islands. She presently works at a health clinic in West Palm Beach, serving a multicultural, uninsured/underinsured population. Daryl loves working with people and considers medical work a large part of her God-given ministry. She has a passion to help others understand the love of Christ and follow Him wholeheartedly.

Daryl regularly organizes seminars in Haiti for teachers, pastors, and church leaders to help them deepen their understanding of God's Word and better lead their people into a closer relationship with Jesus Christ. She also works individually with the orphans, assessing their spiritual, physical, and educational needs, and stays in frequent contact with the director and his wife. She repeatedly reminds them that developing a personal relationship with Jesus is the most important thing they can ever do.



### **Support Daryl Hobbs**

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for ways to support her work.



# HIM Caribbean Missionaries

## **Marilyn Marchant** Alabama; North Caicos | Prayer and Encouragement

Marilyn Marchant has been serving in the Caribbean for over twenty years. She pastored the Lighthouse Church on South Caicos Island for many years. Several generations have been influenced by her leadership. Marilyn was not afraid of hard work and would even roll up her sleeves and work on car engines when needed.

In her later years Marilyn continues to minister to her beloved island people. Only eternity will reveal how many lives were touched by her many years of service in the HIM Caribbean region.



### **Support Marilyn Marchant**

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for ways to support her work.



## **Frank and Marilyn Vaughn** South Florida; Haiti | Haiti Field Directors

Frank and Marilyn Vaughn have ministered to juvenile boys, done maintenance and cooking at a Christian camp, helped establish a Christian school, served as youth pastors, and helped in home church ministry.

In 1988 God led them to Haiti, where they served faithfully for fourteen years. Frank has a background in factory work, is a certified machinist, and holds a journeyman's card in tool and mold making. This was a great aid on the mission field and after they returned to the US. Frank served as maintenance director for Sea Breeze Community for many years and still consults for this department.

The Vaughns continue to remain active in missions. From 2004 through 2014 they were the regional directors for HIM Caribbean. Currently they serve as field directors to Haiti, where they provide leadership and oversight to the orphanage, along with teaching and training the local pastors.

Frank's skills now allow him to teach welding and wood shop at Hobe Sound Bible College and Christian Academy. Frank and Marilyn are committed to following God's call—whether in the classroom, the workshop, or serving the people of Haiti.



### **Support Frank and Marilyn Vaughn**

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for ways to support their work.



# HIM Europe Missionaries

## Ed and Heather Durham Hungary | Directors of HIM Europe

Ed and Heather Durham are the regional directors of HIM Europe. They have served with HIM since 2010 and currently live in Budapest, Hungary. Ed and Heather have dedicated their lives to Christian ministry, possessing a passion for evangelism, outreach, discipleship, and leadership training.

The Durhams have developed ministries in Hungary, Slovakia, Czechia, Spain, and Armenia. In 2015 they founded HIM's New Horizon Transition Home in Slovakia for orphans and disadvantaged women and continue to provide direction and oversight.

Their primary focus is leading the growing HIM Europe missionary team and expanding HIM into new European countries. They provide pioneer leadership, administrative supervision, encouragement, and training to missionaries and nationals. Ed and Heather's vision is to develop growing communities of committed believers who have a passion to bring hope and healing to those around them.



### Support Ed and Heather Durham

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for ways to support their work.

## Wesley and Janna Cressman Spain | Church Planting, Discipleship Ministries



Wesley and Janna both have extensive backgrounds in Christian education. After faithfully serving under HIM in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, from 2016 to 2022, God opened doors to transition to Spain. Wesley is involved in small group mentoring, homeless outreach, discipleship, and hospitality. He desires to build relationships and create spaces for people to grow in their faith. Janna homeschools their children and works in women's and children's ministry. She desires to show the love of Jesus so these individuals may find Him as their personal Savior.

The Cressman's children, Ella and Carter, are an integral part of their ministry. Ella is creative and passionate to learn. She enjoys reading books, writing stories, singing, and creating art. Carter loves helping around the house and has a passion for rollerblading and playing games. His energy and eagerness to help make him a special part of the family's life and ministry.



### Support Wesley and Janna Cressman

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# HIM Europe Missionaries

## Timotei and Sally Iovan Romania | OVC Ministry, Humanitarian Aid

Sally has enjoyed being around children since her teens, often ministering to them in various ways. She obtained her nursing degree and worked in the medical field until God directed her to mission work. Since 2002 she has lived in Talpos, Romania, serving orphaned and needy children and young people through the local church and Hope Christian Fellowship Center.

Timotei, son of the local pastor and orphanage director, was involved in the ministry from the beginning stages. His language skills, leadership qualities, and computer knowledge made him a vital addition. Over the years Timotei and Sally's friendship grew, and in 2018 they married. They continue to serve the Romanian children and youth through Bible studies, English classes, music lessons, and mentoring at the Fellowship Center.



### Support Timotei and Sally Iovan

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## Richard and Judy Grout USA, Russia | Russian Ministries Coordinators

Richard and Judy Grout ministered in Russia and Finland for twenty-seven years. Since they can no longer live in Russia, they pastor a Bible Methodist church in Cordele, Georgia. Richard has a journalism background, and Judy is a music teacher.

The Grouts served at the Christian Center in Vyborg, Russia—a charitable foundation that provides humanitarian aid and correspondence courses for prisoners and families. The Vyborg Christian Center was established by the vision of Rev. G. R. French in the winter of 1992-1993. Russian pastor Valeri Tolkachev served at the center in various capacities since its founding. He began leading the ministry in 2014.

The center is part of a growing ministry of rehabilitation centers for former drug addicts and alcoholics. It is now under the direction of Vladimir and Irina Nasedkin, and the Grouts maintain regular contact, still supporting the ministry.



### Support Richard and Judy Grout

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# HIM Europe Missionaries

## Benjamin and Jaylena McDowell Armenia | HIM Pioneer Ministry

Benjamin and Jaylena McDowell along with their four daughters, Briella, Cambria, Emmaline, and Sélah, have been serving in Vanadzor, Armenia, since August of 2025. The McDowells moved to Hobe Sound, Florida, in 2014 where Benjamin filled various roles in the HIM home office. Following an exploratory trip to Armenia at the end of 2022, God called Benjamin and Jaylena to pioneer a new ministry in that country, with a specific focus to reach this generation of Armenians so they can evangelize the surrounding nations.

During their first term, the McDowell family's primary focus includes cultivating deep relationships and gaining cultural understanding. They recognize the best way to do this well is becoming conversational in Armenian.



Both Benjamin and Jaylena are enrolled in language classes, and they are grateful for God's help as they learn the language and develop friendships.

In time the McDowells envision a thriving national Armenian church with a passion to reach the surrounding nations for Christ. They believe God wants them to help equip Armenian young people as a primary means to that end. Long-term, Armenia can be a strategic hub to spread the gospel into other 10/40 Window countries and ultimately introduce unreached people groups to Christ.



### Support Benjamin and Jaylena McDowell

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## Valera and Maude Motovilov Czechia | English Education

Valera and Maude Motovilov—with their children Zarina, Alexander, and Nicolas—are HIM missionaries to Czechia. Serving with HIM since 2006, they first pioneered a ministry in Valera's hometown in Russia for nine years, then spent three years in South Africa.

When doors there closed, God led them to connect with church leaders in the Czech Republic—a country that, like Russia, suffers from the anti-God ideology of communism. In 2019 they moved to Prague, determined



### Support Valera and Maude Motovilov

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to learn the language and to reach both Czech people and Russian-speaking immigrants.

With teaching degrees, Valera and Maude teach English and the Bible in a language center and work with university students. They also lead an English Bible study and serve in an English-speaking church. Valera occasionally preaches in both Russian and English congregations. Immersed in Czech culture, the Motovilovs continue to share Christ through their daily lives and ministry.



# HIM Europe Missionaries

## Tim and Sharron Teed Slovakia | Church Planting, Orphan Ministries

Born and raised in Arkansas, Tim spent most of his life in the construction industry. Sharron, a preacher's daughter, grew up in North Carolina, graduated from Hobe Sound Bible College with a BA in Elementary Education, and taught in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. After marrying, Tim and Sharron drove a FedEx truck for ten years.

During this time, they were called into full-time ministry. They came off the road and pastored a small church in



### Support Tim and Sharron Teed

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South Carolina, counseling, teaching, and discipling a group of teenagers. While pastoring the church, Tim and Sharron met Ed and Heather Durham and heard about the need for workers in Slovakia. Their hearts were stirred, and they began to pray for God to send missionaries there. God answered that prayer by calling them!

They have been serving in Slovakia for three years, learning the language and ministering to children.





# HIM Latin America Missionaries



## Eric and Hannah Kuhns Honduras | Directors of HIM Latin America

At thirteen Eric felt God's call to be a missionary to Honduras. He immediately began preparing by getting involved in local outreach, becoming the church bus captain, and studying guitar and Spanish.

As a high school junior Hannah felt God's call to missions. Having grown up in Jordan, she struggled with wanting the American Dream. In a school revival she surrendered to God, willing to go wherever He sent her. He led her to Penn View Bible Institute to study missions, where she met and married Eric.

Eric and Hannah signed up with Hope International Missions in 2006 to serve in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Their ministry focus has been church planting, discipleship, and training. God has blessed them with three church plants and continues to open new doors for ministry. They are also the directors of HIM Latin America. The Kuhns' have two boys, Joseph and Daniel.



### Support Eric and Hannah Kuhns

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## Jeremy and Esther Hopkins Honduras | Pastoral Ministries, Leadership Training

Raised in homes focused on ministry, Jeremy and Esther Hopkins each developed a desire for missions early in life. After graduating from UBC and GBS, respectively, they taught school. God brought their paths together, and they married in 2021. They moved to Honduras in the summer of 2022 and serve in the capital city of Tegucigalpa.

Their work includes pastoring, youth leadership, and mentoring new believers. They also oversee a transportation program that helps children access school, and they provide after-school classes at the church. These classes support the students' academic growth and deepen their walk with Christ.

With a heart for discipleship Jeremy and Esther's mission as a ministry couple has been to "love others closer to Christ." Their passion is to equip young believers to grow strong in their faith and to share the gospel with others in Honduras and surrounding countries.



### Support Jeremy and Esther Hopkins

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# HIM North America Missionaries



## Stephanie Walter

Central Pennsylvania | Amish Ministries

**From an early age Stephanie realized that the Amish people needed to know Jesus as their Savior and that their strict rules could not lead them to heaven. As a teenager God placed a burden on her heart and called her to share His love with this special group of people.**

Stephanie joined HIM and pioneered a work in central Pennsylvania. She began building relationships with several Amish women and eventually started a taxi service for the Amish. As she travels many miles on the road, she has countless opportunities to share the gospel with them. In 2024 Stephanie organized a tent meeting specifically for Amish and former Amish individuals. She plans to continue this outreach, along with her ongoing personal connections within the Amish community.



### Support Stephanie Walter

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# US Spanish Ministries Missionaries

## Sidney and Gretel Grant South Florida | Directors of HIM US Spanish Ministries

Sidney and Gretel Grant have a rich history with HIM. Gretel came to Christ through HIM missionaries, and Sidney worked with Dr. Glen Reiff to pioneer Hispanic churches in the US. Sidney founded Instituto Bíblico Evangélico, later serving as its director while pastoring the first church plant. He then became director of Hope International Missions, and in 2007 was elected president of FEA Ministries. He stepped down from the presidency in 2017 but returned to lead HIM US Spanish Ministries.

Sidney’s vision—a heritage of holiness for the Hispanics—focuses on reaching and discipling Hispanics to plant churches, multiply disciples, train leaders, establish educational programs, and guide second- and third-generation youth as leaders.

Today HIM US Spanish Ministries operates in four countries, nine US states, and thirty communities, with the institute having graduated many pastors and church leaders. Rev. Grant continues to lead this growing ministry under God’s direction.



### Support Sidney and Gretel Grant

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## Philip and Collette Burch Pennsylvania | US Spanish Church Ministries

Philip and Collette Burch serve as pastors of HIM’s Spanish church in Lebanon, Pennsylvania. Philip is also a chaplain with the Race Track Chaplaincy of America.

“Having this opportunity to share Jesus in such a unique setting has been incredibly rewarding,” Philip says. “Day-to-day ministry duties range from humanitarian assistance to daily relationship-building and Bible studies. We have seen God work in so many people’s hearts, and we desire to be faithful in sharing the awesome news of redemption through Christ.”

Collette teaches Sunday school and is part of the Women of Worth team in the local church. She loves helping to minister at the track and serving alongside her husband. Philip adds, “Our prayer is to see (people) established firmly in the joy of a fully surrendered life.”



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# US Spanish Ministries Missionaries



## Hery and Rosa Santiago United States | HIM North America

Dr. Hery Santiago is an ordained minister with over twenty years of pastoral experience. He has served as supervisor of the Northern and Southern District of Churches for US Spanish Ministries under FEA Ministries (2005-2010; 2013-2019).

In addition to his pastoral duties, Dr. Santiago serves as a chaplain at a thoroughbred horse training center. He is dedicated to providing spiritual, social, physical, emotional, and educational support to all individuals visiting Payson Park during the winter season. Dr. Santiago is also the director of Hobe Online en Español, a department under Hobe Sound Bible College, and a professor at Instituto Bíblico Evangélico Internacional.

## Benjamin and Brenda Smith Pennsylvania | US Spanish Church Ministries

Benjamin and Brenda Smith met at the Hispanic ministry at their local church, after Brenda's family immigrated from Mexico. Based in Indiana, they direct the youth ministry at their local church and lead in Hispanic youth ministries around the US throughout the year. Many children of immigrants struggle with balancing two cultures simultaneously. Benjamin and Brenda seek to encourage them and to pass the heritage of holiness to the next generation of Hispanics. They disciple Hispanic young people to be leaders within the church.

Benjamin also serves as director of mobilization for Hope International Missions. His love and passion for missions gives him a unique opportunity to make connections with the next generation of students seeking to serve in cross-cultural ministry.

The Smiths have four young children: Sofia, Clara, Ivan, and Olivia.



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# Gospel Publishing Mission Missionaries

## Joe and Gay Taylor United States | Gospel Publishing Mission

At the age of seven Joe Taylor knew God wanted him in full-time ministry. As a teenager he lived in Papua New Guinea for three years, then returned to the US to study for ministry. After marrying Gay, they pastored a church for nearly nine years and began publishing newsletters and ministry books.

Although publishing was not their original plan, Joe realized God wanted them in that work. In 1987 the Taylors returned to Papua New Guinea for eleven years. There they printed their first book. During this time, Joe envisioned publishing the message of salvation in International English—a simplified 1,500-word vocabulary for global readers. This vision led to the founding of Gospel Publishing Mission, which became the literature arm of Hope International Missions in 1994.

Joe and Gay continue impacting thousands worldwide through literature. They live in Hobe Sound, Florida, and have three children and ten grandchildren.



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**In addition to the missionaries highlighted in these pages, Hope International Missions has two families working in sensitive areas to unreached people groups. Please pray for them along with the ones featured in this special edition of the *World Update*.**

# Sea Breeze Community Update

## Progress and Purpose

BY STEVE HOARD  
Sea Breeze Community Director

## Greetings from Sea Breeze Community

**I am into my second year as director of Sea Breeze Community. The blessings of Thanksgiving and Christmas are behind us, and we look forward to the days ahead. The year 2025 was exciting, but I am anticipating the new year with all its challenges and blessings.**

With God's help and the hard work of His people, Sea Breeze Community continues to provide a wonderful place to live and a welcoming place to visit. A new storage lot has been completed, giving an organized space for items that need to be kept out of the way. A disc golf course is now finished for young and old alike! Several homes and apartments have been updated with new windows, flooring, and paint, and several roofs have been replaced with durable metal roofing expected to last over thirty years—even in the salty South Florida air.

Great progress is being made on the Commons Redevelopment Project—Phase 1 is nearly complete! We hope to begin moving books from the old print shop to the new garage within the next few weeks. The old print shop will likely be torn down by the time you read this. Architectural plans are also underway for improvements to the Schmul Center and the Spanish Bible Institute buildings. We strive to utilize the resources provided by generous donors wisely, developing the campus for God's use and glory.

Today's residents of Sea Breeze Community enjoy far more conveniences than those who first built the roads, cleared the Florida brush, and established the early structures. Yet as we prepare the campus and facilities for Sea Breeze Camp 2026, our prayer remains the same—that we will worship the same faithful God, rejoice in His love and mercy, and faithfully do our part in the body of Christ. Welcome to South Florida and Sea Breeze Community!



New GPM and FEA storage building





## Planned Giving

Planned giving is a strategic approach to philanthropy that allows donors to make meaningful, long-term contributions to a nonprofit organization. These donations are often through wills, trusts, life insurance, or other financial instruments. Unlike one-time gifts, planned giving integrates charitable support with a donor's overall financial, tax, and estate planning goals. These gifts are typically arranged during the donor's lifetime but realized at a later date, creating a lasting legacy that aligns personal values with charitable impact. For nonprofits, establishing a strong planned giving program builds stability and ensures their mission can be supported for generations to come.

The benefits of planned giving are twofold—both the donor and the nonprofit gain. Donors often appreciate the opportunity to make a larger impact than they could through current cash donations, while also receiving potential tax advantages and the satisfaction of leaving a legacy that reflects their values. For nonprofits, planned gifts provide predictable, long-term financial support that can strengthen endowments, fund new initiatives, or sustain daily operations. In addition, cultivating planned gifts fosters deeper relationships with supporters, as the focus shifts from short-term fundraising to lifelong engagement and shared purpose.



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# FIELD NOTES



**D**uring the summer 2025 FEA Ministries board meeting, a partnership between All Tribes Missionary Council of Canada (ATMCC) and Hope International Missions (HIM) was unanimously approved. ATMCC is not merging with HIM, but the organizations will be partnering together for the furtherance of the gospel in northern Ontario. Partnership goals include increased visibility of the ATMCC ministry, recruitment of additional missionary staff, and the spiritual and emotional support of the Sean English family, Bev Fay, and Ruth Moulton. Please keep this partnership in your prayers!



**HAROLD MARTIN, PRESIDENT**  
FEA Ministries

## Here Am I, Send Me The Story of All Tribes Lighthouse Mission

Blind River, Ontario, sits peacefully on the northern shore of Lake Huron. In this small Canadian town the cultures of the Ojibwe and the Francophone communities intertwine, shaping daily life. Visitors to Blind River are greeted by a welcome sign in English, French, and Ojibwe, a testament to the area's diversity. French Catholic heritage is strong here, and it is common to hear conversations in French while running errands around town.

The story of All Tribes Lighthouse Mission (ATLM) began when a young man at Athens Family Camp felt a burden from God to reach the First Nations people along Lake Huron. Supporters rallied behind the vision, raising funds and sending missionaries. In 1983 the mission acquired its current property. That same year Bev Fay and Ruth Moulton arrived, dedicating themselves to serving the community. Their commitment endured for decades, even returning from retirement to keep the mission alive when others could not.





Years later Sean and Becky English, both Canadian-born and even delivered by the same doctor in a small Ontario town, became part of the ATLM story. Together with their four children—Lily, Lincoln, Joshua, and Magnolia—they felt their own calling. In 2016 while attending Sea Breeze Camp, Sean sensed a deep pull to preach the gospel. The family moved to the United States to study at Union Bible College, then returned to Canada after graduation. They settled in Blind River to continue the mission's work. They now lead a small congregation that gathers in the chapel each Sunday evening and are also striving to build the Sunday morning service.

The vision for ATLM is to see a local holiness church established in Blind River. While looking through old photographs, Sean and Becky discovered a picture with the words, “future church site?” marked on the property. With the mission's land backing onto the Trans-Canada Highway, there is hope that a new church building could soon rise in a place visible and welcoming to travelers and townsfolk alike.

The mission's vision extends beyond worship services. The shop on the property offers automotive, machining, and welding services to meet the practical needs of the community. Another beloved ministry is the children's Good News Club, a weekly after-school program that has made a lasting impact over the years. Sean and Becky hope to revive this club and are seeking help to make it possible.

The English family prays for more hands to join them in this harvest field. The need for missionaries is great as they work to establish the church and grow the ministries. Their hearts echo the words of Isaiah: “Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me” (Isaiah 6:8).



# Missions Today

## For the Glory of God

BY DR. RANDALL MCELWAIN



**In Elizabeth Elliot's wonderful biography of Amy Carmichael, *A Chance to Die*, she shows both the victories and the struggles of missions. Amy Carmichael's story reminds me that long-term effectiveness in ministry must be motivated by a passion for the glory of God. If we approach ministry with tainted motives, our commitment will falter in the face of daily realities. Only a heart that seeks the glory of God will persevere over the long term.**

If our hidden motivation for service is recognition, we will become angry when those we serve fail to show appreciation. We will soon learn it is nicer to sing, "Make Me a Servant," than to be treated like a servant. If our effort to evangelize is motivated by idealistic visions of mass crusades, the slow process of building redemptive relationships with unbelievers will be unrewarding.

## JESUS' DESIRE TO GLORIFY THE FATHER CARRIED HIM THROUGH THE DISAPPOINTMENTS AND DIFFICULTIES OF HIS EARTHLY MINISTRY.

When nine lepers did not return to thank Jesus for their healing, He was disappointed—but He knew He had glorified the Father through His service. When the Temple leaders rejected His message, Jesus wept over Jerusalem—but He knew He had glorified the Father through His faithful teaching.

The thrill of a new venture, the desire for approval, or the emotional tug of a photo of a hungry child may inspire a short-term response. But in the face of disappointments and rejection, long-term ministry must be motivated by the glory of God. In this issue of *World Update*, you are reading about missionaries who have served ten, twenty, or even forty years. They no longer enjoy the thrill of a new venture or have thoughts of public recognition. Instead, they have remained faithful because they are serving for the glory of God.

# Pray for Laborers

*The following excerpts are from a sermon preached by Rev. Michael Mason during Missions Week 2025 at Hobe Sound.*

**THEREFORE SAID HE UNTO THEM, HIS HARVEST TRULY IS GREAT, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW: PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WOULD SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST.**

- LUKE 10:2

Church, we live in a world where the harvest is not just plentiful; it is overflowing. The Lord of the harvest said it is great. That was true in the first century and even more true today. There is no shortage of lost souls but a shortage of laborers. Why?

First of all,

## **I SEE THE GREATNESS OF THE HARVEST.**

Jesus uses the illustration of agriculture to speak about souls ready to be reached. In John 4:35 He tells His disciples, "Lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest" (NKJV)! The world is more connected, more populated, and more desperate than ever before. The harvest will not wait forever. When we look at the world, do we see problems or a harvest? God sees potential in the harvest.

## **I ALSO SEE THE SCARCITY OF LABORERS.**

The laborers are few. Many Christians are actually spectators instead of active participants. We want revival, but we do not want to be used in the process. Only God can call and send laborers. Could it be that God has people ready, but we have not prayed them into the field?

## **I SEE THE CHURCH'S RESPONSIBILITY.**

Therefore, pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into His harvest. Prayer is not optional. It is a command. The verb means to plead urgently. Instead of actually obeying the Great Commission, we devise programs to take its place, thinking they are the solution. No prayer, no laborers. Someone has said, "Prayer is not preparation for the work; prayer is the work."

A praying church births laborers. Every great missionary movement throughout history began with prayer. We find this pattern repeated over and over in Acts and throughout history; it continues—not by coincidence but in direct correlation with the command of Jesus. Are we obeying Luke 10:2? When was the last time we said, "God, I'm laying aside the next hour to do nothing but pray for laborers"?

What if your prayers this week determined how many laborers entered into the harvest next year? The world is crying out, but the laborers are few. I do not believe it is because God is not calling or young people do not want to be obedient but because the church is not praying.

Prayer for laborers to be sent into the harvest of the Lord is the work of the church. The harvest will go to waste and perish without the laborers. But the laborers must be God chosen, God sent, and God commissioned. But God does not send these laborers into his harvest without prayer. The failure of the laborers is due to the failure of prayer. The scarcity of laborers in the harvest is due to how the church fails to pray for laborers according to His command.

—E.M. Bounds

When will you see the greatness of the harvest? When will you mourn the scarcity of laborers? When will we obey the call to prayer? The burden of my heart says, "Oh God, I want to do something about this. I'm going to do my best to pray more and more." This is His command.

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