

What's the One Thing?

Play it safe. Secure your future. Get an education. Prepare for retirement. Take care of yourself. What's in your 401K? Retire when you are 50 years old.

Compare these statements with Jesus Christ's words: Lose your life. Deny yourself. Take no thought for tomorrow. Take up the cross. Preach the Gospel to all nations. Study to show yourself approved. Go ye into all the world. I am with you to the end of the age. Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things will be added to you.

Jesus Christ's words make more sense to me than the talk at the local coffee shop. Let's go this summer to: Uruguay, Columbia, Slo-

enia Montenegro, Latvia, Laos... How? By faith.

Pray, fellowship in your local church with the knowledge of the country. Pray. Plan. And go. It happens. People are in Cambodia ministering today because two years ago a Summer Harvest team went there for a few weeks.

Please contact us at the GGWO Missions Office. We can help organize and facilitate a missions outreach for the summer of 2020 and beyond.

Organize a prayer group in your church. Talk, think, read about missions - we can go.

Thomas Schaller - Senior Pastor

LOVE WINS

Jesus is the heart of missions. David served with God's heart (Acts 13:22, 23, 36). We are submitted to God's heart in receptivity. Mission is a light to the nations and salvation to the ends of the earth (Acts 13:47).

When I think of God's heart, I think of the motivation of love. The Spirit's motivation is love (Romans 5:5), the Father's motivation is love (John 3:16), and the Son's motivation is love (2 Cor 5:14).

The operation of missions without love becomes weary, painful, exhausting, a work of the flesh and religion. Missions and church-planting must be sourced in God's love in His Word.

Pray for the work of grace in seventy five countries with approximately 768 churches: WOW! This is a heart of love, work of faith, and a life of grace.

Pray you can join us at the 30th anniversary conference in Lome, Togo, July 24-26, with Pastor Schaller. Christians will come from all of West Africa, from East and Southern Africa, the USA, and Europe. What a celebration!

The arrow is beyond, and we go continually into all the world. Pray for exploratory trips to countries we have not yet touched, and where we have not yet planted churches.

The love of God is the heart of missions. Let's keep a heart beating for the lost and making disciples (Mark 16:15, Matthew 28:18-20). Yes and Amen. I believe God (Acts 27:25), we believe God, God is with us (Isaiah 7:14).

Pastor Steven Scibelli, Missions Director

ANOTHER WAY

I see our country moving away from God, and it has left many people desperate. People are relying on politicians and social organizations that neither deliver what they promise nor effectively impact when they do

As we are praying and hearing from God, one of the ways we want to effectuate change is to open more Bible colleges and churches around the country. It is vital to think with God so that the internal is connected to the eternal to find hope in the external. These are some of the things that keep me committed to my call, and keep me inspired to go forward in my relationship with God.



P. Jabu with P. Renaldo and P. Chris

In the Bible, we see that Paul was also very aware of social issues in his day, and of things that distracted people from following God. But he always emphasized thinking with God instead of reacting to the environment. Paul understood that God's way was the best way to see our world. And when I think with God, His way becomes my way amidst the confusion that surrounds us.

Pastor Jabulani Zwane - Pretoria, South Africa

WINTER HARVEST 2020

ECUADOR - CENTRAL ASIA - FINLAND

WHAT'S THE STORY?

The church is already positioned in Heaven, with its mission being to reach those who are still citizens of the earth. When a group of believers collectively come to this conclusion, a missions team is born. This is the very beginning of the story of one such team, a group of 19- to 22-year-olds (and another guy) together forming the Quito, Ecuador, church replanting effort in January

There are two stories here: the first one is to say that much was done toward replanting the Quito church. Evangelism was full of fruit!

Nightly meetings were vibrant and anointed, songs were sung (in Spanish!) and hearts were touched. The Quiteños were greatly blessed, and they have a terrific expectation for the future. Further trips are planned in May and July of this year to further establish the local Body of believers.

The second story is about the missionaries and what happened in their hearts: here are some of their words:

"God showed me on this trip how to be a servant and spread His love and faithfulness." Maddy W.

"Sometimes you have to sacrifice what you want, to support the overall goal of the ministry." Ryan

"Caleb's words, 'Give me this hill country' best sums up what God was putting on my heart during that time of sweet fellowship." Nicholas

"When I go to God, it allows Him to change my perspective and change my mind so I can now think with Him." Hayley

"Borders, cultures, and languages cannot and will not limit God's grace." Jesse

"Through faithfulness and love of Jesus Christ, He says 'Arise my love', you are no longer a slave to your sin." Stephen

"Through missions God showed me that my greatest portion in this life is seeing His beautiful, glorious face; and that in Him alone can I truly be satisfied." Seth

"God taught me about his unfailing faithfulness and love for the nations. He showed me what fellowship looks like and the importance of evangelism to the advancement of His Kingdom." Maddie S.

"When we are available to Him, God reveals Himself and He will use us for His work and this is an amazing grace." Sherelle

"Don't focus on the things that you think you can do, but listen to the voice of God telling you what He wants you to do for His ministry." Roxana

"God is glorified when we recognize His presence. His presence is where we grow and where we live; it is where we love people with His love. We were made to dwell in His presence." Samantha

Okay, there's **a third story** here, too, and maybe even a fourth: the third is the work of grace and gratitude that God did in my heart through seeing His good hand with this team of missionaries. I had the time of my life!



The fourth story is yours. If you can't imagine it yet, just take some of these young people with you and the story will write itself.

Pastor Stan Collins - Rosario Argentina

FINDING GOD IN THE LITTLE

We had a beautiful time in Kyrgyzstan and were amazed by the big things that God is doing, which included the miracle of a huge new building for Bible college and church services in Bishkek.

Perhaps what is more beautiful are the little things. We traveled from Bishkek to Almaty just to talk to a teenager for 15 minutes. And if I had only done that, the whole trip would have been worth it.

We have a ministry of little things in our lives. A little bit of love, or a little kind word, a little encouragement, or a little edification; this is what missions is all about. Not grand or spectacular, but the presence of God in the seemingly insignificant.

Pastor Peter Westera



PULLA, COFFEE AND MORE

We are a part of a ministry that is rich in history and vision. I had the privilege of visiting one of the oldest churches in our ministry, the Raamattu Puhuu Church of Helsinki. I was blessed and encouraged by the warmth and the hospitality of the Body of Christ there.

Myself and two Bible college students participated in their Winter Days Conference "Called to Fellowship." We had a rich time of soul winning, raps, workshops, messages, as well as times of coffee and pulla. It was great to experience the people living out the theme of the conference.

God was faithful to minister to us in our fellowship, and get us excited for the rest of 2020. I was personally encouraged by the number of young people that attended the conference. It seems like the future is bright for the work of God in Helsinki. There was also a great sense of oneness and brotherhood amongst the leadership from around Finland.

We were able to visit GGWO churches in Porvoo with Pastor Jukka Patrikainen and in Turku with Pastor Ismo Haapala. I especially enjoyed sharing gingerbread over conversation with Pastor Jorma from Turku. His humor and heart for God were very, very edifying to experience.

The weather was beautiful, I had prayed specifically for the weather, and God was faithful

Pastor Renaldo Brown

PASSION FOR PEOPLE

When many people think of Latin America, their thoughts often drift to South America but God has placed a tremendous burden on my heart for Central America, especially Costa Rica.

Over the past year we have been vigorously involved in confrontational evangelism. We have been going out to parks and knocking on doors meeting people from all walks of life. We are also partnering with certain para-church groups distributing Bibles in our neighborhood.

We are so motivated for this cause that we have adopted Pastor Scibelli's slogan, "Everyone bring one, everyone disciple one, everyone plant one." What is so exciting is that people are beginning to realize that evangelism isn't just for some Christians but for every Christian. And as a result our evangelism team has really grown.

We have started many Bible studies across the city, and because of that investment a lot of new people are coming to church. We tripled the Bible college load this semester. Students are excited to study the Bible.

Our vision in Costa Rica missions is to see people get saved, raised up in Christ, and be set free in the liberty they have in Christ Jesus.



Beyond just of the liberty of the Word we also encourage the life of the Word. Body life is a big part of our mission here. We want more than a human cultivated version of the Body life. We want the Lord to be cultivated among us as a family that worships together around the Word. I think that the heart of missions is for people to know God's heart.
Dominic & Tracy Principe - San Jose, Costa Rica

FAITH PROMISE

Would you please consider donating through our Faith Promise portal with a one time gift or even better become a monthly supporter.
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OUR HISTORY, GOD'S HAND

Bangalore, the melting pot of cultures and traditions, is India's fifth largest city and the fastest growing in Asia. 62 percent of its population are immigrants, thus making it one of the most ethnically diverse cities in India. 80 percent of Bangalore's 13.9 million people are Hindu, 13 percent Muslim, and 6 percent Christian.

It is incredible to see how God has divinely orchestrated through His sovereignty to strategically place us in this city with all its diversity, foreign influence, colorful history, and rich heritage. Over the past 25 years, we have witnessed how our God has mightily moved in our midst and enabled us to reach people from all walks of life with the certain sound of the Finished Work. How precious are the feet of them that carry glad tidings!

We realize that the profundity of the desire, as ambassadors of the Great Commission, to see more churches and Bible studies be established in different parts of the city. As we labor in the vineyard of our God, we are willing to be spent to



Pastor Bryan, Marina and Gillian Coelho

see men and women raised up as soldiers of the Cross, who can take this glorious Gospel to whosoever will may come.

We want to be part of the pivoting force that function as salt and light pulling down strongholds and making an eternal difference through becoming bread for the hungry and drink for the thirsty! We are most privileged to be part of God's mission force on the earth, as one soul is worth all the world!

Pastor Bryan & Marina Coelho - Bangalore, India

THE HEART AND THE FEET

The greatest mission field is our hearts. The Spirit of God has a mission to us every day. And as a result of this mission we have unceasing thanksgiving towards our God.

The second greatest mission field is the ground on which any believer's feet stand on. We are truly blessed that God has called us to London, a true John 3:16 mission field, where "every tribe and nation" live.

In recent months, two men have been ordained, and five men have been given 'Licence to Preach' certificates. In the fall, we had a glorious conference in Cyprus with our missionaries Pastor Larry and Bev Speedy.

Come visit London and be used by God!

Pastor Tony & Joyce Morley - London, UK

A WORD FROM JERUSALEM

It's a blessing to be able to communicate to you a few words from Jerusalem. When the general world turns the page into 2020 (please remember Israel has her own unique calendar), Israel is full of questions. However, underneath other relevant questions, there remains the one key question. It's the question of authority.

Suppose you are traveling in a train, and suddenly someone gets a heart attack or the like, what follows is not a random debate on how to help the sick. Instead, someone rises up and calls for a medical professional. That person has not only the skill, but the authority to deal with the situation.

Israel is heading for the third elections within one year for the first time in her national history. Many years ago, a very prominent Israeli rabbi was asked if he can state any sign that indicates the Messiah's arrival. He said, that time will come when there will be elections but they will not yield any results to appoint a leader for the country.



That time is here now. *"For the children of Israel shall abide many days without a king... Afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek the Lord their God and David their king: and shall fear the Lord and his goodness in the later days"* (Hosea 3:4-5).

This passage may be relevant in 2020. No wonder people are looking not only for answers, but for the authorized One to deliver. *"O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD."* (Isaiah 2:5) Or else, he that will come in his own name will deceive the house of Jacob. *In His light, Binyamin*

MAKE DISCIPLES

When we think of missions, many things come to mind, possibly a humanitarian cause, or evangelical outreach, or even multiplying churches. But from the biblical standpoint missions is clearly defined by what Jesus said when He commissioned His disciples; "Go therefore and make disciples of all ethnicities, baptizing them in the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit"



In the Greek language, the imperative is not on "Go therefore" but on the phrase "make disciples". There are a lot of movements today that are "going" and doing good things, but are missing the command of Matthew 28:19.

Yes, church planting is what we do, but if we are not making disciples in real time, then what kind of church are we planting? Another religious corporation collecting money?

Making disciples is what Paul did in Acts 20 and they made disciples 2 Timothy 2:2. Disciples grow and they form what we call the church. Let us continue to do so. Everyone win one, everyone disciple one, everyone plant one.

Pastor Chris & Gosia Moore - Houston, TX

Ministry on the move

March 6-8 Latvia Mission
 March 6-8 Vienna Mission
 March 6-8 Barcelona Mission
 March 7-10 Albania & Montenegro
 March 15-18 Serbia Mission

March 10-14 Eurocon
 Budapest Hungary
 June 22-27 International
 Convention Baltimore MD

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- 10-17 July Colombia
- July 10-20 Cambodia
- July 14-18 Latvia
- July 24-26 Togo
- July 25- Aug 1 Ecuador
- Aug 10-16 Uruguay
- Aug 3-10 Slovenia

HIS HARVEST



For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes. Romans 1:16

Jesus has entrusted us with a great mission, which is to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. By the grace of God, we have been GOING into our mission field.

We are in Belo Horizonte, a city of 4.5 million people, where 70 percent are not saved. Many are finding death these days without knowing Jesus Christ as their Savior, and that is very sad.

There are 210 million people in our country over five regions who need to hear the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Every week, we meet in the square for evangelism, visitation, and sharing the Word of God. Lives are being touched with the message of the Finished Work, and we pray for God in His good grace, to send forth more laborers to His harvest here in Brazil.

Pastor Geraldo, Elaine, Isac, Joel, and Natã Oliveira