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A NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR


2017 has been a momentous year for World Missions Ministries in many ways. As the year comes to a close, please allow me to express the gratitude of your IPHC missionary family to you for your love, passion for the lost, and great commission partnership. Together, we continue to make an indelible imprint on the ministry influence of the IPHC globally.

The World Missions Ministries family wishes you and your family a blessed and joyous Christmas and a New Year filled with Hope and Peace.

Bishop Talmadge Gardner
Executive Director



Bishop Talmadge Gardner

A dark, semi-transparent globe graphic is positioned behind the quote. The globe shows the continents in a lighter shade, with the Americas visible on the right side.

"Only as the church fulfills her missionary obligation does she justify her existence."

- Unknown



MEET THE DELPORTS

Joe and Maggie Delport have served as missionaries in Africa for over 25 years, and currently live in South Africa. Joe serves as the Regional Director for Southern Africa where he networks with national leaders and oversees projects.

Joe serves as Director of Advance School of Ministry (ASOM), while Maggie does the administrative work. She also performs similar duties for the Africa Development Center in Krugersdorp.

Their vision is to enlarge the Kingdom of God by training, equipping, and releasing leaders for the end time harvest.

As the Delports continue to impact Southern Africa with faithful obedience to the Great Commission, please pray for continued health, safety, and monthly support.

ITINERATING MISSIONARIES

- Marty Delmon
- Joe & Maggie Delport
- Michael & Leslie Tignor
- Ron & Sharon Wooten
- Gregory & Latoya McClerkin
- Chase & Kristina Granstaff
- Bryan Nix
- Jason & Catrina Bicket
- Michael & Tammy McRae

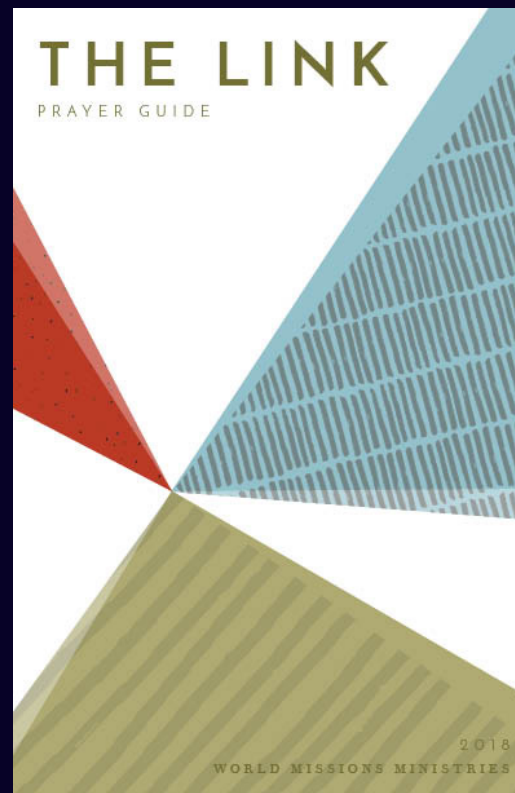
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TO YOUR HOME
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'THE LINK' PRAYER GUIDE

The Link has served as a daily prayer guide to familiarize our International Pentecostal Holiness Church family with our missionaries and global ministry footprint since its inception in the early 1980's.

A copy of *The Link* Prayer Guide should be in the mail to all IPHC pastors, along with other pertinent WMM 2018 emphases. *The Link* prayer network has become a global prayer movement that is a powerful intercessory prayer force today.

If you would like a copy of WMM's 2018 Link Prayer Guide, please contact your Conference Missions Director or our office directly at 888-474-2966. We would be honored to have you join this global prayer network.

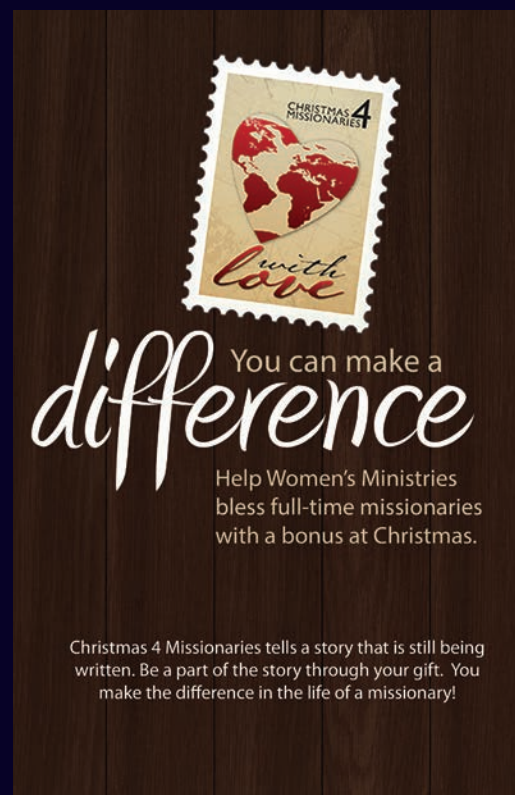


WOMEN'S MINISTRIES CHRISTMAS FOR MISSIONARIES EMPHASIS

World Missions is indebted to Mrs. Samantha Snipes, Director of Women's Ministries; Discipleship Ministries; and the women of the IPHC for their generosity in providing our Career, Missionary, and Retired Missionaries with a monetary Christmas gift. A total of \$38,500 was expended/disbursed in gifts.

For many of our missionaries and their family members, this is the only gift that they will receive this Christmas season. To say, "thank you" seems disingenuous, but please know that they, and we, are humbled by this expression of love and honor. You have modeled our faith family's seventh Core Value, GENEROSITY, with joy.

God bless you and your families abundantly and may your generosity be reciprocated to you with abundance.



Emerging Leaders Summit

By Janene Wooten

Being one of the new ones to join the group, I was not exactly sure of what to expect when the Emerging Leaders' Summit came around a few weeks ago. I was going to a country I had never been to, with a group of people that I was unfamiliar with, and I was a brand-new missionary to a field I am still trying to adjust to. However, I can say with confidence that it is a weekend that I will never forget. As we sat around that table, you could feel the Spirit of the Lord stirring in each one of us as we shared the visions we had for our fields and the people that we are honored to serve. We could be honest and vulnerable as we shared our victories and our struggles. We cried together, we laughed together, we worshiped together, and we prayed for each other. As we grew closer, it was evident that though we were individuals working in separate ministries and countries, the Lord was bringing out His purposes and connecting all of us in ways we could not see.



Janene Wooten in Malta

"THE MARK OF A GREAT CHURCH IS NOT ITS SEATING CAPACITY, BUT ITS SENDING CAPACITY."

- MIKE STACHURA

Barrineau Christmas Parade

On Saturday, December 2nd, the Barrineau Pentecostal Holiness Church in the South Carolina Conference hosted their annual Christmas parade. Over 1,500 people attended this event which featured over 75 floats. Each year several thousand dollars are raised for the Global Outreach Offering through their efforts. Commendations to Pastor Bobby Floyd and Missions Director Stan McKenzie for their leadership in supporting world missions.



A float from the Barrineau Parade



Esther Helland speaking at a Women's Conference in Brazil

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Esther Helland, an IPHC career missionary to Brazil, recently had the opportunity to speak during two sessions at a women's conference. During the first session, Esther shared a testimony of a time when God rescued her from drowning as she floated, unable to swim, for two hours in a branch of the Amazon River.

The second session was titled "The Transformation Begins with Me." During this session, Esther described the stages of a butterfly's transformation. She used this visual to explain the transformation that each person is processing through with God, and encouraged the women through a few steps to continuously pursue God so that their transformation process would not be delayed.

Family Night

ELI Project (Every Life's Important) is a ministry to families with special needs children in the country of Wales. This ministry has several outreaches: Men's Connect, Women's Connect, Boys Night Out, Girls Day Out, and Family Connect (Family Night). Their primary outreach is FAMILY NIGHT. To ELI Project, outreach is more than an event. It is a bridge to make friends and to create a community that points to Christ. Family Nights are held twice a month in two locations: in the town of Neath and the city of Swansea. Parents chat over a hot cup of coffee, siblings interact, and kids and teens with special needs develop friendships. The environment is safe and accepting, and there is something to do for everyone. Creating an environment that caters to the unique needs of these families is opening doors to share the Gospel.

"THE WAY YOU STORE UP TREASURE IN HEAVEN IS BY INVESTING IN GETTING PEOPLE THERE."

- RICK WARREN



Some of the boys having fun at the family night

MEXICALI

Global Outreach Miracles



*2017 GLOBAL OUTREACH EMPHASIS
FOUNDATIONS FOR CHURCH BUILDING*

2018 UNFUNDED ANTIOCH GRANT REQUESTS



In its first Council Meeting for the new quadrennium, the World Missions Ministries Council reviewed requests for 2018 Antioch Grants. A total of \$175,000 has been allocated in the World Missions Ministries 2018 Departmental Budget to assist with these requests, in addition to \$342,000 allocated for direct field assistance through our Regional Directors. Both sources of direct field assistance are funded through your generous giving in the annual Global Outreach Offering.

It is always a struggle to discern how to best allocate these Grants. One could make a compelling case for every request.

Listed below you will find an overview of unfunded requests. These projects would all be deemed necessary and mission critical. The Council suggested that we share these requests with you. We are praying and believing that Jehovah Jireh will provide the financial resources so that none of these projects will go unfunded in 2018.

We thank you, in advance, for your prayerful and kind consideration. We are building Places of Hope together for the Kingdom's sake!

UNFUNDED ANTIOCH GRANT REQUESTS

- Translation for Christian TV Screenplays in France **31005P** (Marty Delmon) - \$6,000
- Thailand Theological Seminary School Building Project **74520P** (Albert Gonzales) - \$274,500
- Sri Lanka Property for Church Building & Headquarters **72005P** (Vijay Balla) - \$100,000
- Philippines Cebu Life Church Nursery & Van **24512P** (Al Argo)- \$21,000
- Braveheart Project (Sound & Visual Lighting Equipment) in Bolivia **85015P** (Misael Lucano) - \$25,000
- 50x100 sq. ft. Auditorium in Cali, Colombia **59509P** (Dan Clowers) - \$100,000
- Church Building & Drug Rehab Center in Krushina, Ukraine: Building Purchase & Renovations **41037P** (Bob Cave) - \$130,000
- Belize Campground – Karen Boggs Chapel **69003P**, Kitchen, Dining Hall, Road Work, Cabins **69504P** and a Motor in the Bus **69009P** (Gene Hancock) - \$125,000

TOTAL UNFUNDED - \$781,500

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE A CHILD

By Rebekah Lowder

People to People Coordinator of Operations

The church congregation gathered around the altars in the front of the sanctuary as the children's classes were dismissed. On this special Sunday, the preschool class was relocated to the small room behind the sanctuary platform. Out walked a curly haired, 3-year-old girl, holding her mother's hand. The little girl watched and listened to the congregation praying and weeping before the Lord as she walked through the sanctuary. Later that morning, the little girl asked her mother and father what the people in the sanctuary were doing and why they were crying. Her father wisely answered, "They were talking to Jesus, and Jesus was talking to them." This little girl loved Jesus and wanted to talk with him and hear him talk to her. So, she climbed up into her father's lap and asked Jesus to come live in her heart and to be her best friend. Forty-three years later, I still talk with Jesus daily and consider it a great privilege to serve him by serving children.



Children have a special place in the Kingdom of Heaven and the heart of God. The Psalmist in Psalm 8:2, speaks of how children's praise establishes strongholds against the enemy and silences the avenger. In Matthew 18, Jesus describes the innocence of a child and teaches his disciples that to become great in the Kingdom of Heaven they must become like a child in humility and faith. Jesus further explains that what is done to the least of his children is done unto him. With over 1 billion children living in poverty, one in three children living without adequate shelter, and one in five children without clean drinking water, many children need to know how important they are in the heart of God.*



People to People Child Sponsorship program, provides the means for IPHC World Missionaries to show the love of Jesus to children in 43 countries around the world. Child sponsorship locations are made up of national pastor's children, schools, orphanages, feeding programs, and refugee centers. Support from sponsors are combined to meet the basic needs of food, clothing, education, and medicine for 3,500 children. People to People has played a vital role in children asking Jesus to come live in their hearts and to be their best friend. Since the founding of People to People under IPHC World Missions in 1980, over 15,000 children have risen to their place in the Kingdom of Heaven. Thousands have partnered with People to People in ministering to Jesus by serving children, will you?



THE DRAMA OF MISSIONS IN THE BIBLE

Act 2: Missions in the Call of Abraham

Part 2 of 7

By Dr. Terry Tramel

A case may be made that Genesis 1-11 serves as the preface for the redemptive story in Scripture that starts in Genesis 12:1-3. Supporting evidence for such a premise derives from the biblical writer having his hand on the fast-forward button, racing through one-third of human history (2,000 years) in those eleven initial chapters. Immediately after the account of the confounding of languages and the scattering of people across the earth (Genesis 11:1-9) comes these words:

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you, all the families of the earth shall be blessed." (Gen. 12:1-3)

After the sinful failures in Eden, by Cain, before the Flood, and at Babel, the Lord began to work extensively with the Hebrew people, which He began to form with the call of Abram. For the next two thousand years, the Old Testament unfolds the story of this man and his descendants. Throughout those centuries the Jewish people delighted to point back to this promise that spoke of their being a great nation and the consequences that would befall their enemies. However, they consistently forgot about the "bottom line" of this Abrahamic Covenant: "...In you, all the families of the earth shall be blessed" (Genesis 12:3).

If God is "no respecter of persons" (Acts 10:34), how then could He designate an entire race as His "chosen people"? Because through them, the Messiah would come who would bless all the families of the earth with His offer of salvation. Thus, the great mandate of world missions is to introduce all the people groups on the planet to Jesus Christ, the greatest blessing on earth.



COFFEEHOUSE MINISTRIES

Reaching people through the marketplace

LOOKING AHEAD

At our most recent General Conference [28th General Conference, July 26-28, 2017], we were challenged to “have churches planted in 150 nations and 5,000 new IPHC churches outside the United States by 2030-2033, which will be the 2,000th anniversary of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.”

The IPHC currently has an active ministry presence in 100 countries globally. We have 10,684 churches and a membership of 1,567,975 outside of the U.S., not including our recognized affiliates. We currently have 209 persons who serve our faith family as missionaries.

To make this vision a reality, we need your prayer and financial support more than ever. Many doors are closing for traditional missionaries. It is imperative that we take advantage of every opportunity afforded to us.

In the natural, this may be daunting, but we should be encouraged by the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel, as found in Zechariah 4:6 [NKJV]

“So he answered and said to me: “This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: ‘Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,’ says the LORD of hosts.”

Your partnership over the course of the past 100 years has enabled us to recognize where the hand of God is moving. We are asking that in these remaining days that the Holy Spirit anoint and empower us to do what we have been commissioned to do.

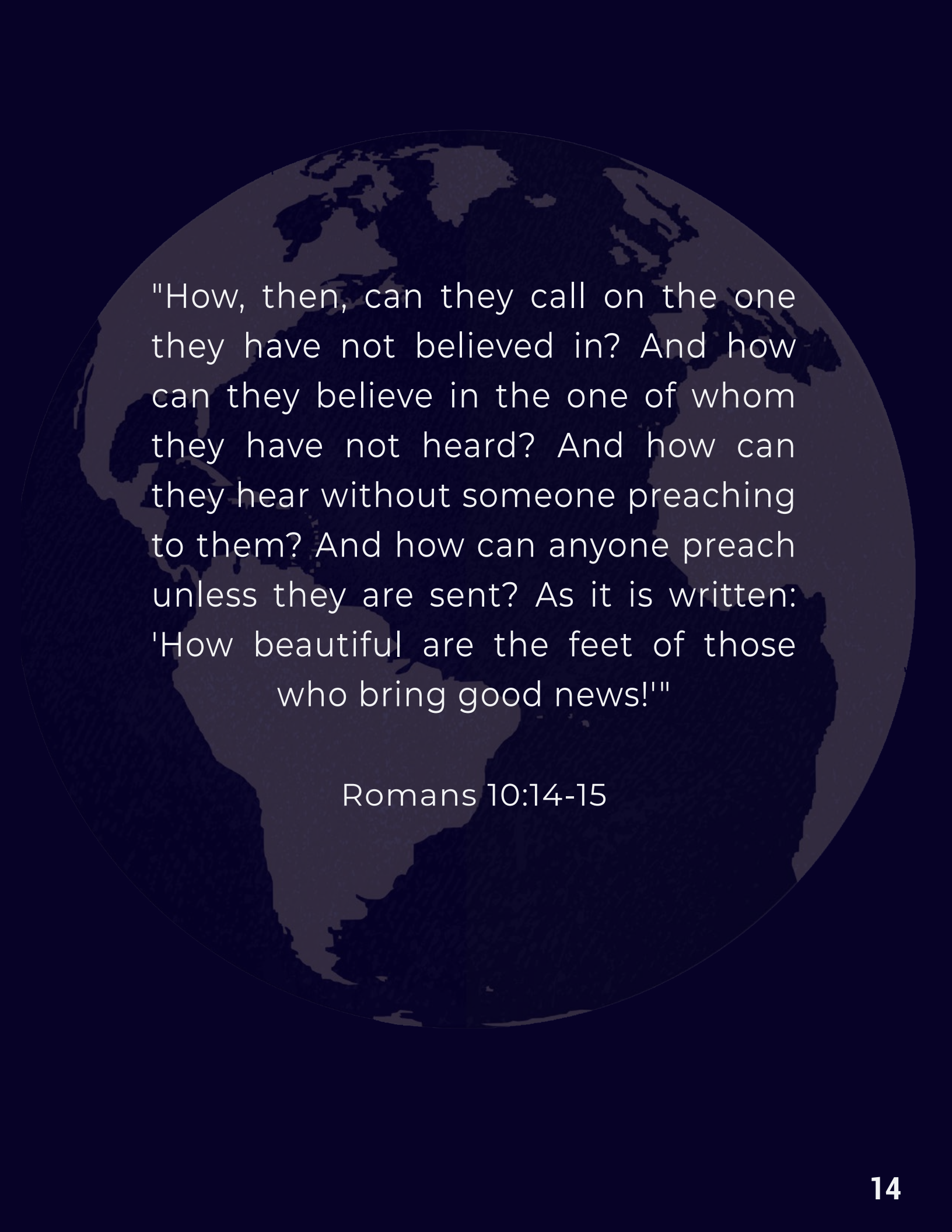
As one of my spiritual mentors, Bishop Leggett, used to say, “the best is yet to come.”

Thank you for standing with us in the critical work of sending missionaries to serve the church and fulfill the Great Commission.

Your World Missions family wishes you and your family a blessed and joyous Christmas and a New Year filled with Hope and Peace.

-Tal-





"How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'"

Romans 10:14-15