

Missions



“Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; He is to be feared above all gods.” Psalm 96:3-4

Our Missionary Families

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John & Karen Winkelman John and Karen have been serving for 10 years at Family Life, a ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ in Little Rock, Arkansas. Family Life’s mission is “To effectively develop godly marriages and families who change the world one home at a time”. Outreaches include radio (Family Life Today), the Weekend to Remember Marriage conference, Homebuilders Couples series small group Bible studies, and the website familylife.com. A global outreach uses the language of marriage and family to share the gospel and bring practical help and hope to families all over the world. John serves in the Event Ministries Group working with volunteers in conference cities. Karen is being trained for the launch of a new e-mentoring ministry. They have 4 daughters—Hannah, Mary, Grace, & Kara.



Tom and Dora Becker Tom and Dora have been serving as *ReachGlobal missionaries in the Czech Republic for over 10 years. They are now living in the city of Prague with their 5 children—Amy, Matt, Hannah, Rachel, and Nathaniel. Tom has helped plant several churches and develop leaders at Evangelical Theological Seminary. Dora has been involved in mothers groups, teaching English classes, and children’s clubs. Their passion is ministering to the Roma people who are Gypsies living in the Czech Republic and throughout Eastern Europe.



Todd and Kristi Hiltbran Todd and Kristi have been missionaries in Eastern Europe since 1995. They served almost 10 years with ReachGlobal, planting churches in Poland. Since 2004 they have been living in Budapest, Hungary. Todd works regionally in Europe with staff and partners in leadership development. Presently, he is working to develop a network for church-based training across Europe, potentially expanding areas and partnerships in locations where Reach Global does not have staff. Kristi teaches first grade at the International Christian School of Budapest. They have 6 children—Matt, Tim, Bethany, Katie, Nate, and John.



Jim and Kay Panaggio The Panaggio family has been serving with ReachGlobal Mission in Lima, Peru since 1998. They presently are involved in planting a church in a poor area of Lima called Condevilla where they have served the past 3 years. Jim is also involved in teaching at the Evangelical Free Church Bible Institute in Lima as well as mentoring leaders. Kay is involved in discipling women and aiding the churches in the area of Christian Education. The Panaggios have 5 children—Mark, Andrew, Stephen, Maria and Joshua.



Dan and Sue Jenkins Dan and Sue and their children Emma, Caleb, and Isaac are ReachGlobal missionaries to Latin America where they serve in Micro-Enterprise Development (MED). They began to sense God's calling them to missions following a mission's challenge in a Sunday school class at the First Evangelical Free Church they attended in St. Louis. The goal of MED is to provide **counsel** regarding the establishment and/or optimization of small businesses and provide **connections** to resources such as micro-loans, business partners and new markets. They hope to target pastors first so that they are able to be more effective in their business to free up time for ministry. Eventually they hope to trickle down to those in the church so that as people are able to make more money they can give more and the church will be financially sustained enabling them to reach out to a very needy (spiritually and physically) community. Dan will be developing a pilot program that can be duplicated in other parts of Latin America and perhaps other continents as well.



Rick and Carol Hudson Rick and Carol were missionaries in Mexico for 23 years. Currently Rick serves as Vice President of Missionary Personnel with Evangelical Baptist Mission. They assist missionaries in facing the many challenges of the mission field. Rick also travels, speaking with college groups and people who are interested in missions. He says, "It is exciting to be a small part of getting people to think about missions as a possibility for them, to encourage them to say yes to the Lord and to prepare for mission service." Rick and Carol have three grown children and two grandchildren.

* ReachGlobal is the international mission of the Evangelical Free Church of America and it exists to glorify God by *multiplying healthy churches among all people.*

"All the nations You have made will come and worship before You, O Lord; they will bring glory to Your name. For You are great and do marvelous deeds; You alone are God." Psalm 86: 9-10



Iglesia El Alfarero (The Potter's Church)

Lima to Lima: Partnering together for Peru

A partnership is a long-term peer relationship between a U.S. church and a national church in a foreign country based on a common vision of building up the body of Christ through a mutual exchange of resources and spiritual gifts, so that we all attain maturity and fullness in Christ.

Our partnering church, Iglesia El Alfarero, is a small church of 60-75 people in an urban area of Lima. The Pastor, Oscar Garcia, is bivocational. He works in an administrative role at the police station as well as serving as the pastor.

Lima, Peru is located on the Pacific coast of South America. It is the third largest country in South America and comparable in size to Alaska. The city of Lima has a population of 7 million. Jim Panaggio, one of our missionaries, and his family have been serving there 13 years. Jim has been a great help in overseeing our partnering relationship.

Advantages of Partnering

- Strategic focus for missions
- Personalizes missions work
- Broad participation in missions
- Mutual growth
- Increases awareness of God as Lord of the Nations

We have sent four teams to Peru in a four year period. We have been blessed by their warmth toward us and their joy in God that radiates from them. We look forward to many more years of working together to advance God's kingdom.



Members:

Rebecca Woodside, Mark Mayer, Kim Mayer,
Altstaetter, Mindy Altstaetter, Cathy Richard,
Richard

Definition of Missions:

Missions is any endeavor outside our local congregation to exalt Christ by demonstrating His love and proclaiming the Gospel with the goal of making disciples and seeing them become part of local congregations.

Purpose of the Missions Committee:

- Motivate our church body to respond to opportunities of missionary service locally, nationally and internationally.
- Care for, support and send missionaries.
- Initiate, promote and supervise the Missions program of the church.
- Investigate and make recommendations to the church concerning the support of missionaries and missionary projects.
- Provide good stewardship in allocation of Missions funds.
- Promote Missions education in our church.
- Oversee Mission Scholarship fund.