



Really Matter? I t's a good question. I hope you give it sober consideration.

Does Missions

Does praying for people 12,606km away from us actually touch them or make a difference in anyone's life? (that's the distance from Comox to Chennai, India, by the way). Do missions trips actually accomplish anything? Does a gift of \$5 to missions actually improve the potential for someone else I don't know to discover that Jesus loves and saves them? What about a gift of \$500 or \$5,000, for that matter?

These are the kind of questions I want you to ponder. In Genesis 40 we discover the story of Joseph in prison. Just like Jesus, Joseph had 2 criminals on each side. One, a Cupbearer, was promised life and the other, a Baker, was not. Then he was raised up and given all authority. Hove the similarities in Jesus and Joseph's stories.

Just like Joseph was used by God to rescue his own people and feed nations, Jesus came to give His life for nations. Jesus is the better Baker. He becomes the bread of life and feeds nations! Jesus is the better Cupbearer. He drinks

the cup poisoned with sin and death, for everyone! Jesus is the better Joseph. He forgives rescues, and administers a provision of salvation for all!

Did Joseph's work matter to Israel, Egypt and the nations? And, does Jesus' mission matter to our church, and the lost children of God here and across the Earth?

Personally, I think Missions Matters. Why? Well, first of all, it's our human mission is to bring glory to God. We're called to do it in everyday life and to extend His glory around the globe!

Secondly, though, if you're still wondering if missions matters, consider what the answer might be if you could ask:

- The orphan who is now fed and feels safe.
 - The widow that lost her home in a flood. The girl rescued from sex-trafficking.
 - The new convert in India. The cripple who was healed in Guinea and can now work.
- The church planter in Africa, risking their life daily to share Jesus in a setting that violently opposes the gospel of Christ.

I think you know it. God's mission -here & beyond- matters!





CHRISTO & SARAH EMMANUEL (INDIA) Together with their 3 daughters, Pastors Christo & Sarah serve in Chennai, India. A decade ago they were sent to plant a new church and through the years it has burst into life, reaching thousands through gospel preaching, children's camps, caring for the poor and multiple weekend services. Their passion to reach the lost for Jesus has not only resulted in hundreds of

Serge and Nancy are the directors of Villages of Hope (VOH) which began in 1999, in response to the HIV/AIDS pandemic that left countless children orphaned and vulnerable. 20 years later, there are now 10 villages located in five African countries providing over 3,500 children with education, nutrition, shelter, and healthcare! While the compassionate ministry of Jesus is provided, His gospel message and ongoing discipleship are at the

MATTHEW & AMBER PRICE (THAILAND) Matthew and Amber and their four young children have been stationed in Bangkok since 2016. Amber is the Director of Impact School of Missions in Thailand, which equips organizations in South East Asia with young, passionate and high calibre leaders. Matthew is the national director for ChildCARE Plus for Thailand, which sponsors and meets the dire needs of children and families. Together, they are also working with urban refugees, migrants, and women in red light districts who are increasingly part of their

baptisms, but the planting of other new churches!

SERGIO & NANCY BERSAGLIO (VILLAGES OF HOPE, AFRICA)

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(RAN, SOUTH EAST ASIA)

marginalized children with special needs.

Having been global workers in the Ukraine since 2002,

relocated to Asia in 2013. Together with their three small children, they are presently stationed in in a Restricted Access Nation (RAN) where they serve as Assistant Regional Directors. Their broad influence includes overseeing other missionaries and Bible Schools, training church planters for Muslim nations, supporting vulnerable refugees and educating

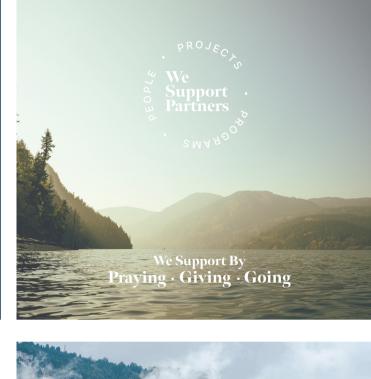
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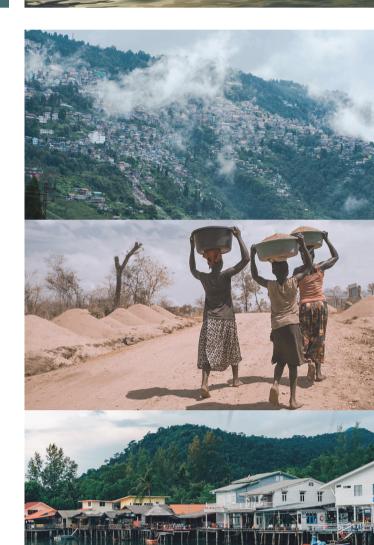
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Phil and Judy have been global workers in West Africa since 2002 and transitioned from Senegal to new ministry in Guinea in 2018. Phil is the theological educational consultant for Guinea, Liberia and Senegal as well as the director of Global University for the region. Judy oversees ChildCARE Plus for Guinea and is also passionate about the potential of prayer and care initiatives. Together they are working to strengthen and develop the 17 Alleluia Christian schools which educate over 2,000

PHIL & JUDY BOWLER (GUINEA)

children in this French speaking, 85% Muslim nation. **EMERGENCY RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT OVERSEAS (ERDO)**

ERDO is the humanitarian arm of PAOC and began in 1983 with the desire to meet the needs created by a massive drought and famine in Ethiopia. ERDO now serves children and families in 30+ developing countries of the world with crisis response, community development and child sponsorship (ChildCARE Plus). Together with the Canadian Foodgrains Bank over one

billion dollars has been raised to respond to natural disasters and areas ravaged by conflict and economic collapse. ERDO has been named a top Canadian charity by McLean's Magazine, MoneySense Magazine and the Financial Post.

REACHING OUT ROMANIA

Reaching out Romania, which is directed by Iana Matei, seeks to rescue and rehabilitate sex trafficked, enslaved and abused women and girls. In fact, since 2007, most of the victims sheltered at RoR have been minors. Based just outside Bucharest, this NGO has helped rehabilitate over 470 victims of trafficking! ROR continues to provide dignity, shelter, psychological assistance, education and professional training so women can reintegrate into society sustainably and with healing.



PREM SEWA SHIKSAN SANG SCHOOL

A beloved visionary, Frank Juelich started a home in 1981 initially for 10 boys who came from difficult situations in India. It has now grown to be separate schools for boys and girls with over 1,000 children cared for each year. They provide education, dormitories, meals as well as healthcare. With the compassion of Christ they bring dignity and empowerment to children marginalized by caste, being orphaned, crippled, blind and special

(NAGPUR, INDIA)

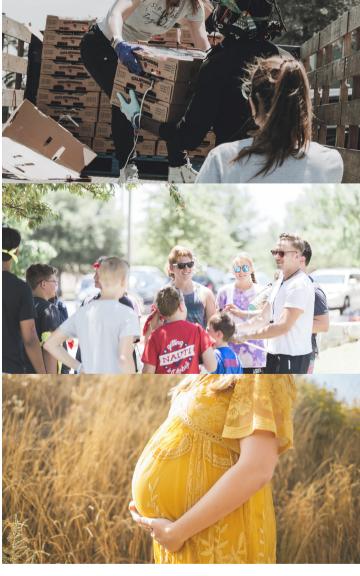
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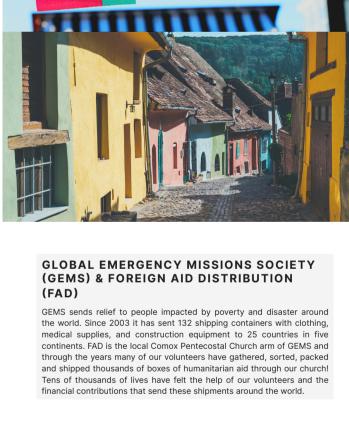
Les and Lois work with PAOC providing international education through GlobalEd by providing biblical theology and ministry training. Their vision is to develop teams of global workers with a passion to ensure the next generation of missionaries are well-equipped for long-term, fruitful life and ministry, and especially mobilized to go beyond where the Gospel has already gone -- to reach the world's remaining unreached people. For example, Zambian Christians are now being trained as missionaries to the

Dan and Mardell have ministered in Spain since the early 1980s establishing the Salem church in Alicante, Spain which has grown from 9 people into a group of churches throughout Spain. Presently their influence has also expanded to into Romania, through the local church and social justice. They are passionate about bringing awareness and response to the very

DAN & MARDELL MACTAVISH (ROMANIA AND SPAIN)

real problem of human trafficking in Romania (see Reaching Out Romania).





The Pregnancy Care Centre is a Christ centred faith based Canadian national organization dedicated to upholding life by providing careworkers, resources, education and support to compassionately serve

YOUTH FOR CHRIST (YFC)

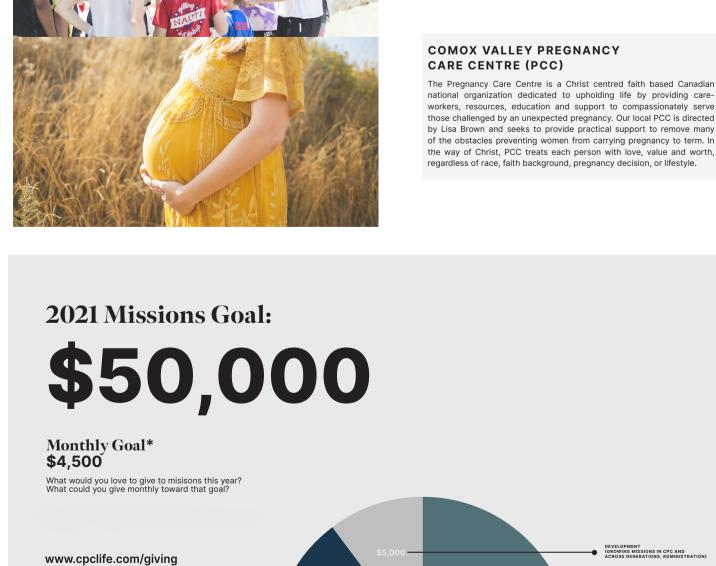
YFC has a strong history in the Comox Valley. Internationally, YFC is present in 126 nations and is made up of tens of thousands of full-time, part-time and volunteer staff working together in giving every young person an opportunity to be a follower of Jesus Christ. Local YFC workers continue to open doors into public schools, provide connection and ministry for teens across the valley, and also help support our own Elevate Youth Ministry!

GROWING MISSIONS IN CPC AND ACROSS GENERATIONS, ADMINISTRATION)

SPECIAL HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE (GEMS, FAD, ERDO, ROR)

PROJECTS & PAOC MISSIONS

MONTHLY PARTNER SUPPORT



chin an illiterate teenage girl from a poor Taiwanese family, deeply steeped in the superstitions and hopelessness of Buddhism, came to work in our home when I was a young child. My mother not only taught her how to perform the household tasks of her job, she also taught her to read and write in Chinese, how to play the piano and, most

\$32,700

Jennifer McQuade

matters to me!

importantly, she led her out of darkness, into the light of the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ! Achin later married a young minister, raised four accomplished children and has devoted her life to bringing others to Christ. Hopelessness changed to hope one life at a time. This is why Missions

\$4,000

\$8,300

