

HOPE

for the

WORLD

FAITH PROMISE 2023

WELCOME TO FAITH PROMISE 2022

In Matthew 28:19-21 Jesus tells us this...

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

You might have heard it said that this is not a suggestion but rather a command. The theme for this year is Hope For The World. At Trinity Church, we take this command to heart and we look for ways every year to bring the Hope of Jesus to the very people that He loves. We believe that we are called to be a force of redemption and reconciliation in our local communities and throughout the world. Relief, hope and salvation are being realized by men, women and children who need to experience the love of Jesus. It could be a family who needs food or someone in Thailand that needs to hear the word of God in their language. It could be providing clothes or praying for a family who needs the comfort of Jesus because of a tragedy they might be going through. It could be teaching young students at a Christian university or buying shoes for the homeless looking to get back into the workforce. Together, in one accord, we disciple, equip and teach others that Jesus is the Hope.

Faith Promise is a way to support those who have dedicated their lives to being on the front lines by committing to give to missions for one year from your Faith Promise response card. This gives the Global Impact Team the ability to set a budget for 2023. This is a promise to God--a commitment between you and the Lord. This is above the tithe. You are putting your trust in God to provide for this commitment for the entire year. Our desire is to see every active member at Trinity empowered to participate in bringing this hope locally and globally.

More than anything, we ask that you will pray for our partners and missionaries consistently throughout the year because they will need it. There is no such thing as a small prayer. All prayers will make a difference. So we encourage to you read the booklet and make the time to pray that the Lord will use them to let others know that Jesus is the Hope of The World.

Thank you for your faithfulness,

GLOBAL IMPACT TEAM



KAMEL + BADIA SHALHOUB

Middle East + North Africa
navigators.org

For the last couple of years my Regional Leadership Team (RLT) and I have been focusing on creating a culture of prayer and worship among all our laborers and staff as springboards for advancing a Missions culture. Prayer and worship have become a culture in our region. As Navigators, we are a mission organization, but the issue of creating a culture of mission until it becomes a household thing in our people is crucial for the further advance of the Gospel.

Thus, when my RLT and I formulated our mission strategic priority I was overwhelmed with what we came up with. Here is our Missions strategic priority, which is one of six other strategic priorities:

"To agree on and to implement a new Mission Strategy and to model and promote a Missions Culture in all the countries and in all our ministries in the MENA region so that every laborer and leader will develop a heart for Missions. We must engage our people to pursue the "Faith Stretching" goals we have identified (Isa. 54:2-3 and Acts 1:8), namely, a) Pioneering and launching Navigators ministries in 30 new cities within countries during the next 3-5 years, b) Missionary sending to pioneer and launch Navigators ministries during the next 3-5 years in 10 new countries with the priority of going to the Unreached."

I went before the Lord and asked, "Lord, how are we going to do this?" I was reminded of the slogan I encouraged the RLT with, "Let's think of Mission goals which only God can do" , thus the 30 cities and 10 countries!



JOHN + HORTENSE BULLOCK

Bangladesh
aobbangladesh.org

This year we marked several mileposts in our lives. We both turned age 95 and celebrated our 75th wedding anniversary. While we remain in fairly good health, age is creeping up. We are both becoming aware of changes. We are now celebrating our 50th year with ABWE. We are in the process of writing a book about our experiences on the field, which we hope to publish soon.

Bangladesh hospital news: The mission team there is working very hard, functioning in the new hospital facilities. There is still a huge need for doctors, nurses, and administrative persons. Thank you for praying for the doctors, nurses, and others who were trying to get back into Bangladesh after their stateside trips.



ERIC + BETH YODIS

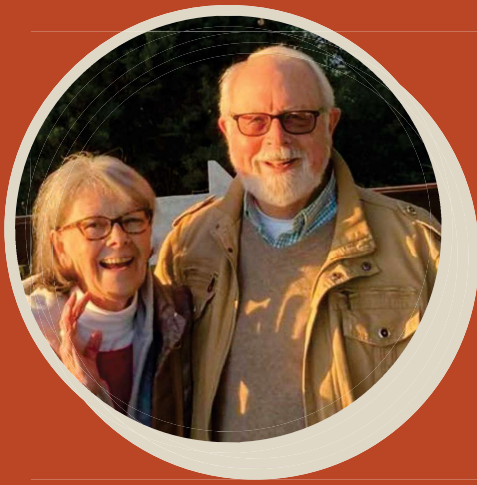
Ukraine

worldventure.com

The pictures and videos you may have been seeing of the down town Kyiv bombings are places we have spent a lot of time. Our colleagues' apartment was right there, visible in all of the videos. Thankfully, they were not there, but their neighbor's windows sustained a bit of damage. But as I saw that park and the playground and thought of being there before the war with children playing, it hurts my heart! Please pray for Ukrainian civilians who understand at any time and any place a bomb could drop and change everything.

The Lord laid an interesting idea for a sermon illustration on Eric's heart following the continuous news of Russian soldiers laying down arms and surrendering. It has struck a chord with Ukrainian people who are searching for something to make sense of this war. He talks about four soldiers surrendering, one has a white flag that he does not want to get dirty so he puts up his hat instead. Another wants to surrender, but refuses to lay down his weapon, and yet another refuses altogether to surrender and responds, "Later!" until he is killed in a blaze of fire. Lastly, the fourth to surrender, lays down his weapon, takes the offer of his

life to be saved and waves the white flag. Eric equates this to how we come to God. Are we bargaining with our good works? Are we trying to surrender only a little, and keep a part of ourselves separate from God or to have God as just another talisman? Are we rejecting God altogether and not believing or receiving any of His free gift of Grace? Or do we see our hopeless state, no chance of salvation except through Jesus Christ, receiving that unmerited Grace so freely given? He is seeing many come to know the Lord as they recognize themselves in the story of a truly surrendered heart. Please pray for Ukrainian people as they are either very open to the Gospel, or so angry with God that this war could happen, pray that they surrender their hearts and accept Grace.



RICH + JO ANNE DAVIS

Moldova

davis.abwe.org/news

While there is so much to love with being in the states, there is still much to do on the fields that are ready for harvest beyond the borders of our country. Classes have already begun at the Christian University (UDG) where we teach, and the students are waiting for our return to begin taking the courses we have been assigned this semester. Our class schedule will be compressed to allow for all the required class hours to be taught. Please pray for strength and wisdom as we teach in what will be a very busy two months of concentrated classes remaining in this semester.

The war in Ukraine still rages on with no end in sight. Only the Lord knows, if, how, and when the conflict might end. Meanwhile, refugees continue to flood across the border of Moldova, and we anticipate that a significant amount of our time and resources will be spent helping these dear people. We are praying about several different options for how to minister to the refugees but will need to be on the ground before we can make concrete decisions. We are so thankful to many of you who have given to help the Ukrainians and ask that you would continue to pray for us as we reach out to them. Please pray for their physical and spiritual needs.



THE M FAMILY

North Africa

We had the opportunity as a family to walk across one of the highest and oldest bridges in Europe, the Pont de l'Artuby. As we oohed and ahhed (and kept our boys a safe distance from the edge!) we talked about how the engineers built this bridge. What a feat of engineering, vision, bravery, precision and more. We ordinary bridge-users do not often give it much thought as we seamlessly teleport across gullies, gorges, rivers, and more.

Our family likes bridges. It's even our email-address (Qentara is the Moroccan Arabic word for bridge). In all the ministry roles God has used us in, we have come to learn what we love most is making connections -- building those bridges between God's grace and the people we are among, building bridges between disparate peoples for his love and kindness to cross. Our heart as a family is to build bridges of connection through integral mission and people development among Muslims.

We want to be kingdom bridge builders, with our foundation firm and ever growing in God, we want to reach out, extending avenues of connection to those around us to experience God's re-creating power.



ROGER + JOANNE GREEN

Thailand
wycliffe.org

Roger and Joanne have been back in Thailand for quite some time and the Lord has been working through them in various ways. Here is an excerpt from an email that we received.

"I've been meeting online with the translation advisors to hear how Scripture engagement has been going in the projects. Some of the stories have been really encouraging. One translator told of a group of new Christian families who were meeting together every evening at 6 pm to read a passage from the translated New Testament and discuss it. A Scripture engagement coordinator told of a Bible quiz he organized in which a blind man won. He couldn't see, read or write, but he listened to audio Scriptures so much that he knew all the answers to the quiz. Another story was of pastors and church members who had had to flee from their homes. When they went through the trauma healing training, they cried and cried and shared their experiences with each other. Through the process they were able to receive healing and peace from the Lord."

I've been helping my 60-year-old Thai tutor to go through the process of "exegesis for beginners." She has been glad to learn more about how to carefully study the Bible. She requested to go through Ephesians. We did the basic exegesis steps. Then we did some of the Discovery Bible study steps. She continues to teach children in her outreach. So, everything she learns she will be able to use in teaching others.

Lord willing, I will start a worldview research project at a church in Chiang Rai. Please ask God to open the way.



JIM ASSELIN

Chaplain

infaith.org/jim-asselin

Jim Asselin serves police, firefighter, EMS, and correctional system first responders through counseling, spiritual guidance, Critical Incident Stress Management Counseling, being dispatched to 911 calls, and performing ceremonial functions such as marriages, funerals and graduations. Jim also served the victims on the scene of a crisis in order to help First Responders do their job more effectively.

The phone rang and the president of the California Chaplain Corps called for a meeting. Jim is now the Chaplain Supervisor state-wide over the chaplains that serve the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. The CCC is in contract with the CHP, California State Parks, California State Hospitals and CAL Fire.



GOLDEN HEART DOVE

goldenheartdove.org

Scott Dixon is the founder of Golden Heart Dove whose mission is to bring awareness to individual causes through the power of media, which empowers society to create a better tomorrow.

Golden Heart Dove Foundation tackles world global challenges through traditional and non-traditional media avenues, resulting in major financial support for a cause. The music industry understands this concept. For decades money has been raised through concerts and singles for farm aid, disaster relief and feeding the hungry. The most notable single “We Are The World” raised over 63 million for humanitarian aid in Africa. The platform has been set and now is the time for Hollywood to embrace the global issues that they claim to care about. Today’s technology has made this highly plausible.



REAL OPTIONS

Obria Medical Clinics
realoptions.net

Did you know that for every Planned Parenthood in the U.S., there are 25 pregnancy medical clinics that offer the the same services except abortion? They actually offer more services because they work with the patient during and after pregnancy to make sure they are receiving the care and resources that they need.

RealOptions Obria Medical Clinics provides compassionate, comprehensive, and high-quality reproductive health care. We are fully-licensed community care clinics providing well woman care including: pap smears, cervical cancer screenings, and breast exams. We also provide STD testing and treatment, pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, pre-termination screenings, prenatal care, abortion pill reversal treatment, health education, and referrals. Abortion and miscarriage hurts women so we provide retreats and support groups for women who need healing from any kind of pregnancy loss.

Thousands of women, men, students, and families rely on us each year. We constantly have to overcome the misinformation put out by Planned Parenthood and other abortion supporters that there is no other healthcare for women. We offer the support and answers you may need. Your health and well-being are important to us. We are devoted to taking care of our patients in a holistic manner and are dedicated to the highest standard of medical care in a comforting, supportive atmosphere.



CITYTEAM

cityteam.org

CityTeam is founded on meeting local needs. Our programs across the United States offer help and hope to our neighbors in need with hot meals, groceries, shelter, housing and restorative programs, learning and career help, discovery Bible studies, and so much more. Each of our cities has customized programs to specifically meet the needs of their community.

At CityTeam, we believe that we are all children of God, that each life has value and is “wonderfully made.” (Psalm 139:14)

And we hold to God’s promise for each of our lives – that He has come the we may “have life, and have it to the full.” (John 10:10b).

This is why we are compelled to address the problems we see in our community and to live as Jesus has taught is to “love our neighbors as ourselves” (Matthew 22:39).



CATHIE MOMPREMIER

Haiti

worldim.com #292

Cathie and Edin have been seeing God's goodness despite all of the turmoil that has been happening in Haiti.

God was strongly moving in the Youth Camp, 21 Days of Prayer, Baptisms, and funding for school scholarships. How amazing it was to experience God's delivering people from bondage, changing the atmosphere and saving souls! Praise God with us!

The Holy Spirit filled our little church and in the name of Jesus, about 40 accepted Jesus as their Savior. Several were delivered from evil spirits, three were former witch doctors that denounced their practice to make Jesus their Savior and Lord! A woman crippled and greatly deformed was carried in and Jesus completely healed her. She is now walking upright physically and spiritually! There are so many more stories of God's goodness and power! Many people have told us how the atmosphere of the community is changing just like many of the people's hearts. Praise the Lord! Those that put their faith in Christ went down to the river and made a public declaration of what Jesus already did on the inside. As they were walking, they were singing praises! It was a beautiful sight!



REACH POTENTIAL MOVEMENT

Malia Pires - Reach Silicon Valley
reachpotential.org

Reach Silicon Valley has been **focused on providing food, shelter, social services, and other necessities of life for the economically disadvantaged individuals**, in an effort to help them survive while continuing to address academic insecurity.

What we have recognized more than ever is that poverty alleviation requires much more than providing services but doing life together and walking alongside households in need so that they may lead and thrive. What does that look like? We have some amazing plans in the works and recognize it's going to require A LOT of time, resources, patience and human capital; it's capacity building time for us!

Reach Potential Movement adjusted their focus to providing food, shelter, social services, and other necessities of life for the economically disadvantaged and otherwise needy individuals. What we have recognized more than ever is that poverty alleviation requires much more than providing services but doing life together & walking alongside households in need so that they may lead and thrive. What does that look like? We have some amazing plans in the works and recognize it's going to require A LOT of time, resources, patience and human capital; it's capacity building time for us!



GATEWAY NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

Food Pantry
gatewaysv.org

Gateway Neighborhood Center is part of Trinity Church and is home for several non-profit organizations that serve the needs of the North Sunnyvale community. Food pantries reduce the intensity of food insecurity in a neighborhood and create on-ramps to share the Gospel.

Twice a month Jan Ramirez leads a food pantry to serve groceries and vegetables to those in need. The reach about 150 families at each pantry, which is at least 500 people including kids and relatives. Volunteers are always needed and you don't have to sign up. Just show up at 9am on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month!



DOWNTOWN STREETS TEAM

streetsteam.org

Downtown Streets Team is an organization that is working to end homelessness through the dignity of work. DTS believes that treating people with dignity and empowering them to be part of the solution to their struggles is a major factor in their ultimate success. DTS meets every Tuesday at Gateway Neighborhood Center along with Dignity on Wheels to provide a place to shower and to do laundry. Then they move into the Youth Room for the rest of their program.

Karl: Palo Alto Team Member

Ten years ago, when Karl was 64, he had a disabling stroke and has been living on the streets of Palo Alto ever since. After a few short months of working with his Case Manager, Karl was able to overcome many barriers. He got a COVID vaccine, and then shortly thereafter, his Case Manager helped him get a really nice walker donated from a Palo Alto community member, which gave him increased mobility. His Case Manager also helped him obtain an official ID and

social security card, open an email account and bank account, get access to public transportation, connect him to doctors, obtain food stamps and SSI, and find shelter. In October 2021, we helped Karl get housing in a subsidized studio in a senior living community in Palo Alto only a few short months after submitting an application into the Section 8 interest lists in Santa Clara County. The Palo Alto Staff assisted him in getting all the furniture and supplies he needs to be comfortable and happy in his new home. He has a balcony where he sits outside every day and waves to people passing by on the sidewalk and to his neighbors below in the community gardens. Within 3 months, Karl went from living on the streets with nothing, to being safe, healthy, and warm in his own studio apartment, which is nothing short of incredible. Karl repeatedly tells his Case Manager and his other advocates, *"God bless you. You are beautiful. Life is beautiful."*



JONATHAN PROJECT MINISTRY

Southeast Asia
fidelisproject.com

The Schattners were missionaries in Southeast Asia for a long time. During Covid, so much has changed and they knew that the Lord was telling them to stay in the states and focus on supporting Pastors, leaders, and missionaries online through Zume and the Fidelis Project.

The Fidelis Project is a Masters Level, obedience-based leadership training available online to anyone in the world. Its five core elements are: Biblical Theology, Spiritual Formation, Disciple-Making Movements, Public Policy, and Personal Health and Wellness.

Students meet together in-person or as small cohorts around the world to integrate the material, reinforce the content, and grow in spiritual maturity through loving, relational accountability. Each Fidelis cohort is administered by an approved cohort leader.



MEDICAL INSTITUTIONAL CHAPLINS

Rev. Larry F. Wildemuth Multifaith Chaplin

Rev. Larry F. Wildemuth has been serving in Spiritual Care Ministry at Valley Medical since April 1997. Before coming to Valley Medical he served as a Pastor for 25 years in Hawaii and San Jose. Recently retired, he is assisting part-time in Spiritual Care at Valley Med. He serves on the Board of CODA, an End of Life education nonprofit.

Santa Clara Valley Medical Center has a large group Spiritual Care Volunteers from all the major language and religious groups in the county. They are trained to offer spiritual and emotional support to patients and families of all faiths and to people with no preference or belief.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS WE HAVE GIVEN TO IN 2022...

GLOW

glowuganda.com

Greater Life Options and Opportunities for Women (GLOW Uganda) is a Christian faith based Not for Profit organization which was founded in April 2016 by Ammabel Rushaju who draws inspiration from her personal experience and Isaiah 1:17, "to do right, seek justice, defend the oppressed, take up the cause of the fatherless plead the widow's case." She is passionate about helping, encouraging, and sharing the love of Christ with women and girls who have lost hope.

GLOW Uganda specifically supports vulnerable rural women aged 13-16. This includes widows, unemployed women with no source of income, orphaned girls, and girls who cannot afford education, single and abandoned mothers

GLOW Uganda currently operates in South Western Uganda, in Kabale; Rubanda Districts, and supports 12 groups of 30 women each and 48 girls directly, with plans to scale up interventions as funding allows. Of the 360 women in the 12 groups, 60 women are widowed, 40 are single abandoned mothers, and 126 women carry the burden of single-handedly providing for all family needs because their husbands do not offer them any support due to alcoholism and polygamy. In addition, of the 48 girls enrolled at the Girl's Skills center 14 are orphans while the rest are from very needy families.

TEEN CHALLENGE

teenchallenge.net

The mission of Teen Challenge NorWestCal Nevada is to provide successful recovery for men, women, teens, children, and families with destructive, abusive, and addictive lifestyles through mentoring, education, training, and spiritual direction.

For the past 60 years the "drug epidemic" has been a topic of discussion in America. With over 20 million people struggling with addiction, it is a very real and very daunting problem in our community.

Teen Challenge has been working against the problem of addiction, alcoholism, and abuse in our communities for the past 60 years. Focusing on one person at a time has become one of the most highly effective forms of recovery in the world.

Today, Teen Challenge NorWestCal Nevada continues to work against the problem of addiction, alcoholism, and substance abuse. We also work to prevent sex trafficking and abuse in our communities. The threat of human trafficking and human slavery continues to grow, and we continue to expand our ability to address these concerns.

While the problem certainly is large, we believe that every life that is changed makes a difference. We invite you to help Teen Challenge continue the work of transforming lives.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS WE HAVE GIVEN TO IN 2022...

ONE EIGHTY

180lodi.org

Since 2002, we are dedicated to the restoration of our city through one-hundred and eighty degree turns towards teens and families thriving physically, emotionally, and spiritually.

The One-Eighty Teen Center:

Our original facility and programming (est. 2002) offers a cafe, computer & gaming attractions, climbing wall, and more. Mobile Unit at Lodi Skatepark every Thursday. Mentoring programs, clubs, and our caring staff continue to provide a place of hope and refuge, and all are welcome.

One-Eighty Counseling & Resources

Providing comprehensive mental health services with an emphasis on adolescents and their families. Individual, family, and group therapy are offered at the Dan Brown House and 405 W. Pine Street. Evidence-based resiliency programming and mental health intervention at over a dozen High, Middle, and Elementary Schools in Lodi, Stockton, and Galt.

One-Eighty Community

Seeking in the peace and prosperity of the city into which we've been sent. Intentional Neighbors live and work in underserved communities. They provide tutoring programs for at-risk students, invest in community development and work to activate assets in diverse neighborhoods that already have everything they need to thrive.

One-Eighty Adventures

Taking kids outside their normal environment to see a world that's bigger than the one they know. Offering day trips on rivers, in the mountains, and to the oceans, and providing epic multi-day backcountry experiences that build character, leadership, and a sense of hope.

