

After this I looked,
and there before me
was a great multitude
that no one could count,
from **every nation,**
tribe, people and
language,
standing before the
throne and before the Lamb.

Revelation 7:9



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*Whom shall
I send...*

*Here I am
Send me
Isaiah 6:8*

Missions Sunday
October 29, 2023

Our Missions Ministry Goal at Alpine:

Based on the Great Commission contained in Matthew 28:19-20 the goal of the Alpine Missions Ministry is to establish and nurture self-supporting and self replication churches in cross-cultural settings and to support ministries engaging Unreached People Groups (UPG) while offering Alpine members opportunities to participate in those efforts.

People Need To Hear The Gospel:

God is not willing that any should perish- 2 Peter 3:9. His plan is that those who already know the Gospel share it with those around them. God could have chosen any means to propagate the story of redemption; however, He chose current believers to be the ones who shared Christ's love with others. An individual can only do so much for spreading the Gospel in the world. Yet, through a church mission program we are privileged to pool our resources to help fund the spread of the Gospel throughout the world. God wants the world to know about Christ. He has chosen us as individuals and as churches to share the Gospel with others.

We Are Commanded To Go:

Some of the last words of Christ before He ascended to heaven was that we should go and carry His Word to the world. In Matthew 28:19 & 20 Jesus said to go into the whole world with the Gospel, teach the hearers and baptize believers. Interestingly, the command in those verses (according to Greek scholars) is not emphasized in the word "go," rather it is on the word "teach." The verse reads more like this in the Greek, "As you are going, teach..." It is implied that we will go into the world. Jesus knew the persecution that would soon come to the church in Jerusalem. He knew the believers were about to be scattered in the world. He knew they would "go." He emphasized the fact that since they are going, they should teach what they knew about Christ.

article: David Peach

Galatians 6:9

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

Matthew 25:20

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"

1 Peter 4:10

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."

Matthew 28:19-20

"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."

Romans 10:13-14

"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?"

Proverbs 19:21

"Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails."

HOW TO HELP.

PRAY

We should all be sharing the Gospel with those around us. But, does God want EVERYONE to be more involved by committing to full-time ministry?

Even if you are not called to be a local minister or a missionary on a foreign field, you can help the cause of missions by supporting mission work in your local church.

GIVE

As we commit to send or support missionaries, we should expect our giving to be serious, significant, and sacrificial.

GO

This support can come by way of prayer, finances, or time and labor for the work of the ministry. For our part, we should labor to be faithful in our task of sending and supporting.

Please take time to pray about how you can support the work being done in local & foreign missions.

MISSIONARY NEWS & UPDATES

José & Marilu Cabello: Palmview Church

The leaders and preachers of the churches of Christ in this region have seen that there has been a great desertion of young people who grew up attending our churches accompanying their parents and spent their childhood participating in activities such as summer Bible schools, and Sunday school classes every week, but when they reach adolescence, they have turned away from the church and from Christ, even those who have already been baptized.

For this reason, our focus in this year 2023, is to work with the youth of our church. We have created activities where our youth can get involved and feel useful in serving Christ and the community.

In conjunction with leaders and preachers of the churches of Christ in the region of the Texas Valley, monthly youth meetings have been organized where preachers are invited to speak topics concerning the time that is being lived in today, and topics on the stage of adolescence and youth.

In this important work of giving attention to young people, thank God we have had great support from our brothers of the church of Christ in Palmview, adults have supported this work with their presence and participation in activities, but more importantly, having communication with them in their families.

We have encouraged those moments of prayer and Bible reading be held in family devotionals at home, seeking that in this way family ties are strengthened, remaining united and firm in the faith, which will allow them to resist the influence of a world that often contradicts the will of God.

We thank God for the good results we are seeing, the lives of young people are getting closer to God.

Thanks to you who, with your support in different ways, helped us to continue with our work.

In the love of Christ:

The Cabello family
(José, Marilú and Abraham)

We thank God for having your support and love, dear family in Christ of Alpine Church of Christ. -José, Marilu, and Abraham Cabello.



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JEREMY & HOLLY HARRISON: Pioneer Bible Translators

Jeremy and Holly have been serving with Pioneer Bible Translators since 2013 and have been involved with Alpine for over half that time. The Diaspora Group has now expanded to four cities of operation (Dallas, St Louis, Louisville, and Milan, Italy). Our work includes one full translation project, three Scripture Impact projects, and several evangelistic projects.

Our team's largest project in Dallas focuses on the Rohingya, an unreached Muslim people group from Myanmar. They have been oppressed and kicked out of Myanmar and are now scattered around the world. We are working with them in a variety of ways: having Bible studies, showing the Jesus Film in their language, teaching them English, etc. We were recently able to produce a coloring book for children in their language, and this was the first time they had seen their language in writing!

Our translation project in Louisville is in the Kinyamulenge language, working among refugees from the Democratic Republic of Congo. Some of the Kinyamulenge are believers, but there are many unreached among them, both in the United States and Africa. We have just completed a draft of the entire Gospel of Luke in this language that will soon be tested and revised among Kinyamulenge speakers around the world. Thank you for helping make this work possible! Your generous support continues to allow us to expand the Gospel among unreached people in various ways. May the Lord continue to bless you for your faithfulness and example in obeying the Great Commission.



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BARRY & RUTH REMPEL: Global Ministries

Barry and Ruth Rempel serve on the international leadership team of SEND International, a mission agency with ministry in 20 countries. As Director of Global Collaboration, Barry works together with ministry partners from around the world to train and send new missionaries who will plant churches among unreached people groups. Since 1987, the Rempels have lived and served in Spain, Alaska and Mexico. Now based in South Carolina, ministry efforts take them around the world, teaching and training new missionaries in diverse settings in Latin America, Asia and Europe. Their two daughters were born in Spain and are now married adults, giving us one grandchild each this year. The Rempel family was an active part of Alpine 2010-12 while living in Longview.

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NOMBA CHURCH: MOZAMBIQUE, AFRICA

Alpine Church of Christ has a long history of ministry in Mozambique. The Church named “Chinonyelo Cha Isa” (The Love of Jesus), which was established on December 1, 2013, is the fruit of that ministry. It is a church of the Yao people who reside in the northern most province of Niassa. These new believers are from a Muslim background and face the dual challenges of persecution and poverty, but they are eager to spread the Good News to others in their communities and neighboring villages without a church. The Nomba church has been instrumental in planting 4 other churches in other villages. Ministries include weekly Bible study discipleship groups for believers and seekers; a children's program that meets 3 days a week and teaches Bible Stories, prayer and praise, basic reading, and soccer; and Farming God's way seminars (sustainable agriculture taught with a Christian worldview). Additionally, the church keeps a large garden where these techniques are demonstrated and the produce is used to help needy families, widows, and orphans in the community regardless of religion. The church also keeps a medicinal Garden, treats the ill and burn victims, and holds seminars on the use of the plant medicines. This serves as God's pharmacy for the poor. Alpine members continue to visit Mozambique to encourage and equip the local church there to reach their Muslim neighbors for Christ.

Please contact Julie Henderson if you would be interested in going on the next trip to Mozambique: steveandjulie.henderson@gmail.com



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ADRIAN & MARLENE LARIN: Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Dearest Alpine :

We are working with 5 churches of Christ in the capitol area of Tegucigalpa.

- The church of Christ in Centro Comercial Centenario (CCC).
- Church of Christ in La Ulloa.
- Church of Christ in Altos de Loarque.
- Church of Christ in La Torre (Three hours driving from the capitol near the El Salvador border).
- Villa Nueva Church of Christ.

THE NEWEST PROJECT

Four churches have not had preachers for a long time so we are working at these places. We are helping organize the men and training them to teach the Lord's word for their spiritual growth.

Our interest is:

- Help to grow these churches through an active evangelism.
- Build their lives with God's knowledge.

The men of these churches have been working with each other and share the hope of growing in unity through these efforts.

Blessings to you,
Adrian & Marlene Larin
and our sons Kevin and Randy

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Brooklyn Howard: Serving in Northern Mozambique

Brooklyn is the newest missionary that Alpine supports. She is also the newest member to join the Makua team Mozambique. The Makua tribe is a large un-reached people group that practice Folk Islam and live in Northeastern Mozambique in the province of Cabo Delgado. Brooklyn is joining 3 other families that serve there. Two of the families have been serving the Makua for almost 20 years and are former teammates of the Henderson's. This team has been instrumental in planting over 80 churches in that region.

Brooklyn is a graduate of Harding University where she studied Exercise Science, Medical Missions and pre-professional Health Studies. Her home church and primary support is the West Ark Church of Christ in Fort Smith Arkansas where she was first introduced to missions as a teenager. While in college she continued to serve in Missions spending 3 months in Zambia. Upon graduation from Harding she spent a year with the Makua team serving as a teacher for the team's many children. Now she has joined them as a full member of the team. She still considers herself as an apprentice to this very experienced team, however, she is eager to learn as she helps them in their various ministries. She is also developing a new ministry of Teaching English as a Second Language (ESL) using the Bible.

Please pray for Brooklyn's adjustment to life in Mozambique, for language skills as she learns both Portuguese and Makua languages, and for her safety as Cabo Delgado has experienced much unrest in recent years due to an ongoing Islamic insurgency.

Please pray for the whole team as they share the gospel of Jesus of Christ with the Makua tribe as well as the love of Christ with the hundreds of thousands of refugees displaced by the insurgency. Finally, pray for the Christians in Northern Mozambique to stand strong in the face of persecution and for the churches to be unified by the Spirit of Christ.



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