



Thank you for partnering with us in Connecting God's People with God's Work in the World



Our mission at The Outreach Foundation is to connect God's people with God's work in the world. We do that by partnering with individuals, churches and other organizations and linking them with more than 130 different missionaries and projects around the world. The result is long term partnerships with the global church that are mutually transformational.

We invite you to support The Outreach Foundation this year with a special gift that will help us continue to connect God's people in God's mission.

Through your generosity, the Good News of Jesus Christ will change even more lives.

Grace and peace,

Thomas F. McDow III

Thomas F. McDow III
Chairman, Board of Trustees



Travel with The Outreach Foundation

Cuba Mission Vision Trip for Wee Kirks
February 5-13, 2016

See God at Work through the Church in Cuba
February 12-20, 2016

Iranians in Diaspora: London and Istanbul
April 15-26, 2016

Holy Land Mission Vision Trip
May 2016

Holistic Evangelism in Tete Province
June 6-16, 2016



381 Riverside Drive, Suite 110
Franklin, TN 37064

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Good to Know

2015 Christmas Projects List

Use this shopping list which includes specific mission needs around the world to make a gift in the name of the One whose birth we celebrate. The Outreach Foundation will send you a Christmas card acknowledgement that you may send to the person you would like to honor. Visit our website at www.theoutreachfoundation.org for more information.

Alternative Christmas Gifts

Bibles	\$30
Crisis Nurseries	\$50
Bicycle for Evangelist in Tete Province	\$175

Blogs

Enjoy thoughts and reflections from various members of the Outreach team on our blogs:

Outreach Blog / Changing Mission
<http://www.theoutreachfoundation.org/blog>

Trip Blog
<http://www.theoutreachfoundation.org/trip-blog>

Did You Know?

- that the Independent Presbyterian Reformed Church in Cuba baptized over 75 people last year, 59 of them *infants*, and has close to 10,000 members?
- that there are 18 Presbyterian Churches in Syria, led by eight brave pastors?
- that Egypt is home to the largest Protestant presence in all of the Middle East, with over half million Presbyterians?
- that a third of the Presbyterian pastors in Rwanda are women?
- that the Top Ten List of the hardest places in the world to be a Christian include North Korea, Somalia, Iraq, Syria, Afghanistan, Sudan, Iran, Pakistan, Eritrea and Nigeria?

www.theoutreachfoundation.org



The Outreach Foundation REACHING OUT

Fall 2015

381 Riverside Drive, Suite 110 • Franklin, Tennessee 37064 • (615) 778-8881
(615) 778-8887 fax • info@theoutreachfoundation.org • www.theoutreachfoundation.org

Relationships shape all that we do as The Outreach Foundation, and the effectiveness of our work depends upon the quality of our relationships with our partners around the world. With a few of our team members moving to other ministry, we want to give thanks for their faith and service, how they helped to deepen our ties with the global church.

Peter Lim, after seven fruitful years of ministry with The Outreach Foundation, has joined the faculty at Fuller Theological Seminary as the Headington Assistant Professor of Global Leadership Development at Fuller's School of Intercultural Studies. Peter has increasingly felt God calling him back into the classroom, and this is a wonderful opportunity that will allow Peter's full exercise of his faith, his academic accomplishment, his understanding of the church and

intercultural mission and his gifts for ministry.

Outreach remains excited about and committed to the work that God is doing through our Chinese partners, and we'll continue taking groups to China each year, responding to invitations from our partners to join them in ministry, and supporting congregational partnerships. Peter will continue to advise Outreach on how best to come alongside our partners in China, ministry that will be led by Jeff Ritchie.

Bill and Nancy Warlick began full-time mission service 50 years ago this year, serving as Presbyterian missionaries in Africa for over 27 of those years until their "retirement" in 2002. Since then, they have served as mission consultants with The Outreach Foundation. The Warlicks are a wonderful team. Together, they are Pastor and Educator, Construction Manager and Children's Advocate, Preacher and Prayer,

"Management" and "Sales." They effectively model the partnership in mission to which God calls us all.

Bill managed the construction of many church buildings and schools and expanded pastoral training programs. He did a lot of traveling with African pastors. Nancy taught rural pastors and high school students in French. Prayer has been an important part of her ministry. Bill is wise about working with local church leaders in ways that built their capacity. Nancy saw the plight of AIDS orphans and street children and wouldn't keep quiet, wouldn't let go of them. Many owe their lives to her.

As the Warlicks now take another try at retirement, we thank God for their faithful work on behalf of partners and children in Africa, and on behalf of The Outreach Foundation.

Peter Lim



Bill and Nancy Warlick



About The Outreach Foundation

The Outreach Foundation engages Presbyterians and global partners in proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ. Because our ministry is Kingdom work, not denominational work, we work with PC(USA), EPC, ECO, Fellowship Community congregations and others. We help congregations build long-term partnerships with the global church that are mutually transformational. Every person, project and partnership we support is directly involved in sharing the Gospel in word and deed.

Our work depends entirely upon the involvement and financial support of mission-minded individuals, congregations and organizations. We receive gifts in our office and disburse them directly to partners around the world. Established in 1979, The Outreach Foundation is independently governed by a Board of Trustees, all of whom are pastors or officers in their respective congregations.

Vision

Creating dynamic relationships that deepen mission passion and build mission capacity

Convictions

Jesus Christ is the only Lord and Savior. The church exists for God's glory and God's mission. The Spirit calls and empowers every follower of Jesus to live for him in the world. The church bears witness to the good news in word and deed. Biblical partnerships are built on mutual respect and sharing.

Priorities

Building the capacity of global church partners
Sending and supporting missionaries
Caring for vulnerable children
Expanding support for mission
Transforming lives through mission involvement

Reaching Out

Reaching Out is published three times per year by The Outreach Foundation to inform friends and donors about our involvement in God's mission. Subscriptions are offered free of charge upon request. To request a complimentary subscription, inform us of an address or name change, or for more information about our ministry, please contact us.

The Outreach Foundation
381 Riverside Drive Suite 110
Franklin, TN 37064
(615) 778-8881
(615) 778-8887 fax
info@theoutreachfoundation.org
www.theoutreachfoundation.org



Above Left: Fresh water well provides water to the training center and the entire community nearby. Notice the children water gatherers and the mother with a baby strapped to her back.
Above Right: Nedson leads Outreach trustees through the kitchen and dining area under construction.

Tete Leadership Training Center

We're spoiled. As the extended family of Presbyterians, statistically we enjoy approximately two pastors for every congregation here in the U.S. But that is not the worldwide norm. In Tete Province, Mozambique, there are four part-time tent-making pastors for the more than 70 Presbyterian churches. They are growing churches, putting further strains on leadership.

The church in Mozambique greatly depends on lay leaders and evangelists to train their congregations about the Word and life in Jesus. In Tete Province, where resources are scarce, the Holistic Evangelism Project, led by Rev. Nedson Zulu and Sebber Banda, offers a leadership training curriculum covering 17 different areas of church life, including elder training, theological training, women's leadership, skills and vocational training for evangelists, and health awareness.

On a recent visit to Tete Province, the Outreach team met with elders who received the Leadership Training. One leader who had learned carpentry skills talked of how he was able to provide coffins at no charge for families that had lost loved ones. He felt that the congregation had chosen him to receive the skills train-

ing so that he could be a better leader. As he helped families deal with their grief, providing a coffin as an act of service and love was a tangible expression of God's love. He did not utilize his skills training solely for income — it was a unique opportunity to serve his congregation.

The Tete Holistic Evangelism project recently received a nearly \$150,000 "challenge" gift to build a new leadership training center and provide salary support. The center will include a dormitory and bathrooms, kitchen and dining area, fresh water well, and electricity. The challenge gift provides a match of one dollar for each dollar raised for the project up to \$147,000. That means donors double their gifts. By doing so, you are helping multiply the "loaves and fishes" in many ways. Send your gift in the enclosed envelope or make it online at www.theoutreachfoundation.org/give. Or make an immediate gift with your smart device by scanning this QR code:



Connecting Mission Leaders

A CONFERENCE FOR PRESBYTERIAN MISSION LEADERS

December 3-5, 2015 • First Presbyterian Church • Tulsa, Oklahoma

Theme: "MISSIONAL CHURCH – Has the vision shaped our reality?"

Sponsored by The Outreach Foundation, Presbyterian Frontier Fellowship and The Antioch Partners



Join with other mission leaders to explore the impact of the missional church vision on our congregations. We will be led in our conversation by plenary speakers Dr. Darrell Guder, recently retired Professor of Missional and Ecumenical Theology at Princeton Theological Seminary, Dr. Timothy Carriker, missionary serving with the Independent Presbyterian Church of Brazil, and Dr. John Azumah, a minister in the Presbyterian Church of Ghana who serves as Associate Professor of World Christianity and Islam, and Director of International Programs, at Columbia Theological Seminary.

In addition to plenary speakers, our time together will include worship, workshops and lots of time for fellowship and networking.

Register online at www.connectingmissionleaders.com. Registration is \$95.

Rwanda Trip Journal

Rwanda, Africa is a country full of both beauty and sadness. But the hope and renewal breaks through the grief more often than not, some 20 years following the horrible 1994 genocide. On a recent visit we were able to see and experience that hope and renewal. Here are several excerpts from my travel journal:

Friday, October 10: Met and ate lunch with our American friend and PC(USA) pastor and professor, Reverend Kay Day, at the Protestant Institute of Arts and Social Sciences (PIASS) seminary in Butare. Rev. Dr. Mark Mueller, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Huntsville, AL and Outreach Foundation board member, taught a class on "Being a Christian in Today's World" and we met seminary leaders, professors and students. We were especially honored to meet our sponsored student Donatha Ndayisaba, who had been chosen to train as a pastor by her home parish in Shyorongi.

Sunday, October 12: Shyorongi Parish welcomed us with singing, dancing, worshipping and praying in their newly-built permanent church home. It was hard to believe that only 15 short months earlier we had been worshipping in this same spot, with these same saints... under a dusty, tattered tarp. With the help of gifts from Outreach partners, our friends at Shyorongi had built a real house of worship, and we were honored guests for the dedication. The church also served as school, nursery, adult literacy classroom, and community center. In that same time it had grown from a hundred faithful souls to just over 300 – with 25 new members joining that day! We also greeted Donatha again and met her family. What an amazing God we serve, to bring together gifts and needs in such a tangible way.

Trips with The Outreach Foundation present the opportunity to see God at work through different experiences, with different eyes and different hearts. Our partners are thankful for the gifts and blessings. But we know that God has blessed us even more, showing us how our partnerships help faithful servants grow their seeds into a harvest for the Kingdom.

Heidi Meadows

*First Presbyterian Church
Huntsville, Alabama*

EPR (Presbyterian Church of Rwanda) leaders and pastors with Rev. Dr. Mark Mueller and Projects Coordinator Ebralie Mwizerwa



Above: Shyorongi Tent Church
Below: Shyorongi Church



Donatha Ndayisaba and Heidi Meadows



2015 Board of Trustees

Mr. Thomas F. McDow, III, Chair
Westminster Presbyterian Church; Nashville, Tennessee
Rev. Dr. Edwin G. Hurley, Vice-Chair
South Highland Presbyterian Church; Birmingham, Alabama
Mrs. Pamela L. Bowman, Secretary
Liberty Corner Presbyterian Church; Liberty Corner, New Jersey
Mr. Donald Swain, Treasurer
First Presbyterian Church; Nashville, Tennessee
Rev. Dr. John Azumah
Columbia Theological Seminary; Decatur, Georgia
Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca
Village Community Presbyterian Church
Rancho Santa Fe, California
Rev. Dr. James T. Birchfield
First Presbyterian Church; Houston, Texas
Mrs. Melissa Brown
Grace Presbyterian Church; Houston, Texas
Rev. Dr. John W. Daniel
Crestwood Presbyterian Church; Richmond, Virginia
Mr. William J. Ditzel
Kairos Church; Atlanta, Georgia
Rev. Nancy T. Fox
National Presbyterian Church; Washington, DC
Mrs. Peen Hardy
First Presbyterian Church; Orlando, Florida
Mr. Charles F. Heard, Jr.
Peachtree Presbyterian Church; Atlanta, Georgia
Mrs. Elizabeth Hunt
Westminster Presbyterian Church; Nashville, Tennessee
Mr. Michael J. Jette
Vineyard Church of Rock Hill; Rock Hill, South Carolina
Mr. W. Powell Jones
First Presbyterian Church; Thomasville, Georgia
Mr. Walter E. Lewis
Eastminster Presbyterian Church; Wichita, Kansas
Mr. T. Berry Long, III
First Presbyterian Church; Mt. Dora, Florida
Rev. Dr. Mark C. Mueller
First Presbyterian Church; Huntsville, Alabama
Rev. Dr. G. Christopher Scroggs
Advent Presbyterian Church; Cordova, Tennessee
Graham Boyd Shaw, M.D.
Covenant Presbyterian Church; Jackson, Mississippi
Rev. Brian D. Stewart
First Presbyterian Church; Greenville, South Carolina
Ms. Caryl Weinberg
First Presbyterian Church; Evanston, Illinois
Mr. Robert N. Wesley
First Presbyterian Church; Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Rev. Dr. Marshall C. Ziemann
Presbyterian Church of the Cross; Omaha, Nebraska

Trustees Emeriti

Dr. Alex E. Booth, Jr.
First Presbyterian Church; Kenova, WV
Mrs. Marj Carpenter
First Presbyterian Church; Big Spring, Texas
Rev. Dr. Randy Kowalski, Pastor Emeritus
First Presbyterian Church; Greenville, South Carolina

The Outreach Foundation Staff Leadership Team

Rev. Dr. Rob Weingartner, Executive Director
Linda Patrick, Associate Director for Administration and Finance
Rev. Dr. Jeff Ritchie, Associate Director for Mission
Marilyn Borst, Associate Director for Partnership Development
Tom Widmer, Director of Development
Rev. Steve Bryant, Director Booth Leadership Initiative
Rev. Dr. William T. Bryant, Executive Director Emeritus
Rev. Dr. John W. Coker, Jr., Mission Advocate

Support Staff

Lucy Battle, Accounting/Administrative Assistant
Lisa Dill, Executive Assistant
Elizabeth Carter, Communications Coordinator
Erica Jackson, Database Coordinator
Ebralie Mwizerwa, Projects Coordinator

Mission Staff

Rev. Dr. José Carlos Pezini, Portuguese-Language Ministries Coordinator
Stu and Linda Ross, East Africa Coordinators
Rev. Nedson Zulu, Project Manager, Tete Province, Mozambique
Sebber Banda, Public Health Nurse, Tete Province, Mozambique

www.theoutreachfoundation.org

Our God is a Transforming God...

Because The Outreach Foundation connects God's people with God's work in the world, we're in a unique position to see his transforming power at work in all of our partners: individual donors, congregations and our global mission partners.

Please spend a few minutes reading, watching and learning how God's grace is displayed as we join in sharing and showing his love to the ends of the earth.

Transforming a family.

A few years ago, God brought Jim and Betsy Hunt and their family to a dusty and remote part of the globe: Tete Province, Mozambique. There, they saw how fresh well water immediately changes survival rates and improves the health of entire villages. They saw how bicycles enable evangelists to reach their multiple congregations much faster than simply walking. And, they saw how God's Word, preached in mud churches, brings Jesus to life in people's hearts. Just like the lives of the people they touched in Tete Province, Jim and Betsy's lives are forever transformed.



Transforming a congregation.

First Presbyterian Church, Huntsville, Alabama, has a proud 200 year heritage of service within the community. But God had transforming plans for them. One sunny Sunday, Outreach's Rob Weingartner spoke to the congregation about the vulnerable church around the world—Africa, China, the Middle East. He invited the congregation to travel and join with these global church partners to share the Good News. Soon, members of the congregation began showing up in Iraq, Syria, Cuba, and Rwanda as a sign of their solidarity and love. Today, First Presbyterian Huntsville is simply not the same church. More and more, they are living for the sake of others.



Transforming a global partner.

Haiti was a hard place to live long before the 2010 earthquake struck. Political fighting, economic struggles and natural disasters have been commonplace for its entire history. People ask where God is in all this.

But, God is at work in Haiti. Haiti Outreach Ministries and its leader, Leon Dorleans, have seen God bring hope. Churches, schools and houses have been built through the faithful help and service of partners from around the world. Hungry children are fed, medical clinics are staffed, and people are working thanks to vocational training. God's transforming power has brought healing from the brokenness.



Watch all of our stories

on our website at www.TheOutreachFoundation.org/videos or scan the QR code on the left and watch the videos on your smart device.

We invite you to prayerfully consider making a special gift this year to The Outreach Foundation. Your partnership with us will help ensure that Outreach is able to continue connecting God's people with God's work in the world. You can make your gift in three different ways: Use the enclosed envelope; make it online at www.TheOutreachFoundation.org/give; or make an immediate gift with your smart device by scanning this QR code:

