

When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." Luke 5:4

# Fishers of Men

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FOR A CATCH

# Missions & 2024 Ministries

Christ Venice 1475 Center Rd.  
Venice, FL

Christ Venice Global Methodist Church

## **Missionaries and Missions Represented at MISSION FESTIVAL '24**

### **INTERNATIONAL**

**Dan Christopherson**, Christ for Cuba (SW District Mission)

**Rachael & Lydia Coleman**, Konbit of Jamaica

**Jon Egeler**, Mission Safety International

**Michael & Pam Mozley**, Catalyst for Africa

**Sarah Rosenberg**, Renewed Hope Missions,  
Dominican Republic

**David Ruehr**, Promise for Haiti

**Pastor Sairy Marte**, Renewed Hope Missions,  
Dominican Republic

**Dr. Omer Shedd**, Promise for Haiti

### **LOCAL & NATIONAL**

**180 House**, Venice, Edrick & Shelby Gil

**Agape Flights**, Venice, Tim Kenny

**BLS Ministries**, Venice, Lenee Schroeder

**Breakfast Church**, Venice Train Depot

**Center of Hope**, Venice, Jim & Lynette McClelland

**Dogs of Courage**, Randy Koach

**Gideons International**, Lemon Bay Camp, Tom & Vimala  
Thamburaj

**Venice Christian School**, Jerry Frimmel

## Crisis and Urgent Need Giving in 2023

*In addition to the quarterly support provided to our 30-plus Missionaries and Missions, your generous Faith Promise giving sometimes allows for the distribution of funds to provide humanitarian aid and emergency assistance. This past year, Christ Venice Missions was able to fully or partially meet all of the emergency requests we received to help alleviate suffering and despair caused by war, earthquake, hurricanes, and fire. Here are some of the ways your gifts were used to share God's love:*

### War in Israel

Millers - \$5,000 to distribute care packages and Bibles to Israeli soldiers, volunteers and people living near the heaviest fighting in the North.

### War in Gaza

Fawzi Khalil - \$1,000 to purchase wheelchairs for those injured in the war.

### Maui Wildfires

Global Methodist Church - \$9,000 to help those whose homes and belongings were destroyed by the fires.

### Morocco Earthquake

Fawzi Khalil - \$2,000 to help purchase blankets, wheelchairs and relief supplies.

### South Sudan Refugee Crisis

Fawzi Khalil - \$10,000 to purchase food baskets and copies of the New Testament for refugees.

### Funeral and burial expenses

Pastor Julio Jn-Gilles - \$2,000 to help offset expenses following the death of his son.

### Hurricane Ian Recovery Efforts

- Wesley Covenant Assoc. - \$10,000 for recovery efforts in Florida
- Samaritan's Purse - \$10,000 for recovery efforts in Southwest Florida
- Salvation Army Local - \$5,000 for recovery and aid (food canteen and more)
- Center of Hope, Venice - \$10,000 to help meet the increase in demand for emergency assistance due to losses incurred.
- ECHO Global Farm, Ft. Myers - \$5,000 to help with reconstruction of property damage.

## Welcome to the 2024 annual Missions Festival

Dear members and friends of Christ Venice,

For more than 30 years, our church missions program has played an important role in casting a net of love, hope and faith to those in need, both globally and locally. This past year was no different as our missionary partners (featured in this booklet) became the hands and feet of Jesus to those around the world.

Last year, you gave more than \$300,000 to missions through your Faith Promise gifts and donations, helping to ensure that our missionary partners had the resources and supplies they needed to make a lasting impact on others - all in the name of Jesus.

From year-round support of schools, medical clinics and churches to humanitarian aid and disaster relief, your generous contributions provided clean water, food, medicine, education, housing, and so much more. We encourage you to read through this booklet to see the specific ways your contributions were used by God to transform lives.

Together, as **Fishers of Men**, we can reach even further into the most marginalized and vulnerable populations in our own communities and across the globe. Each of our missionary partners - some whom you will meet during our annual Missions Festival - has a desire to expand and grow their ministry for the Lord. You can help make that happen!

Please fill out a Faith Promise card during the Missions Festival or any time throughout the year. We also encourage you to use this booklet to pray for all of our missionaries and to learn more about their ministries.

In His service,

Stacy Pinkerton, Missions Chair

On behalf of the Missions Committee and Festival Team

# My Faith Promise

Your faith promise is a commitment between you and the Lord, an offering given by faith, above your tithes, to help to reach lost souls for the Kingdom.

Please mark the appropriate box and fill in the blanks accordingly. You will NOT be contacted for it. You are making this promise with your Lord for His harvest.

## MY PROMISED OFFERING

\$25    \$100    \$250    \$500

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My Best Offering \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## TO BE CONTRIBUTED

One Time    Monthly    Quarterly

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## VENICE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL Principal Jerry Frimmel



VCS is a fully accredited, non-denominational private Christian school of over 350 students in Pre-K through 12th grade. The school serves students from Sarasota to Port Charlotte and more than 45 churches. The mission of VCS is to partner with families, the local churches, and the community to educate children in accordance with the truth of Scriptures and to pursue excellence in academic instruction with a Biblical worldview. The demand for a Christ-centered education in our community has led VCS to launch a capital campaign to expand its facilities. Your Faith Promise gifts have been pledged to support this expansion when plans are completed.



### NATIONAL MISSIONS

Now the Lord says to me, "It isn't enough for you to be merely my servant...I have placed you here as a light for other nations; you must take my saving power to everyone on earth. Isaiah 49:6

## MISSION SAFETY INTERNATIONAL - Tennessee

Since 1983, MSI has helped aviation staff fly safer missions to share the Gospel around the world. From fixing aircraft to improving airstrips, MSI works to improve the safety of mission



aviation organizations and pilots. Far too many accidents rob missions of their personnel, resources and effectiveness. MSI uses a host of experienced aviation and safety volunteers to remedy deficiencies that create danger for mission aviation and seek to meet specific needs, whenever and wherever they are.

## THE CENTER OF HOPE - Venice

Pastors Jim and Lynette McClelland

The Center of Hope is a neighborhood church and outreach center that provides food, clothing, medical referrals, hygiene products, bicycles, bus passes, social services, resume help, and so much more. Sarasota County is still experiencing high rates of homelessness, as there is not enough affordable housing in this area for asset-limited, working people. The Center of Hope helps with rent assistance as well as food stamp applications and utilities. The recent hurricanes in our area brought even more people to the doors of Center of Hope this past year and your Faith Promise gifts helped to meet those needs.



***"Whatever we do, we must not treat the Great Commission like it's the Great Suggestion."***  
Charles Swindoll, Pastor, Author, Educator

## DOGS OF COURAGE - Venice

Randy Koach

Dogs of Courage is a unique ministry that uses the loyalty and obedience of dogs to teach and exemplify Biblical truths. Randy Koach combines his gift of teaching and preaching the Word of God with his love of training dogs to present a visual picture of the concepts taught by Jesus. By showing the comparison of a master trainer developing a dog's full potential and a believer placing their life in the hands of the ultimate master, Jesus Christ, Randy hopes to inspire Christians of all ages to a life of total obedience to God.



## Your FY 2023- 2024 Missions Committee Members

**Stacy Pinkerton, Chair**

**Rich Hutter, Budget Chair**

**Ron Baker**

**Chen Bell**

**Cal Brown**

**Alice Bunning** *(Term ended)*

**Kristin Mikarts**

**Rob Montano** *(Term ended)*

**Dave Smith**

**Pastor Val Garron, Staff Liaison**

## 2023-24 MISSION BUDGET COMMITTEE

**Rich Hutter, Chair**

**Cal Brown**

**Julie Porter Kern**

**Rob Montano**

# GLOBAL MISSIONS

And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?"

Then I said, "Here am I! Send me." Isaiah 6:8

## AGANG, Rev. Sunday Bobai

### ECWA (Evangelical Church Winning All) Theological Seminary - Nigeria

Rev. Agang's passion is evangelizing the unsaved and engaging in Christian discipleship, addressing the issues of minority abuses, exploitation and oppression of orphans, and fostering and nurturing interfaith dialogues between Christians and Muslims in Nigeria. Rev. Agang has written extensively on the Gospel in the context of Globalization, Terrorism, Corruption, Persecution, Human Suffering, and more. He is a professor of Christian Theology, Ethics & Public Policy at the ECWA Seminary and is a sought-after speaker around the world. He works in a Muslim-dominated region of Northern Nigeria, where religious violence and other social crises have become unprecedented; including the rise of Islamic terrorists and nomadic Fulani militias. Labeled the poverty capital of the world, people in Nigeria have been devastated by the scourge of unemployment, leaving families traumatized and desperate. Rev. Agang works to educate and train students at the ECWA Seminary to send forth more Christian pastors and leaders in local communities and beyond. Your Faith Promise giving has helped build a female hostel to house 64 women and a second male hostel for 50 more men to attend the Seminary. Your gifts have helped provide a centralized water system, solar power to provide consistent power and energy, build 4 new classrooms that can each hold 150 to 200 students, and installation of an intelligent classroom to expand access for students and reach out beyond Nigeria to greater Africa to teach God's word.



## AGAPE FLIGHTS - Venice

Every week, aircraft depart from the Agape Flights hangar in Venice, transporting all kinds of provisions and mail to hundreds of missionary partners living and working in Haiti, pilots are met at airports throughout the Caribbean islands by missionaries who serve as the distribution network on the ground. They ensure that supplies reach the orphanages, medical clinics, schools, hospitals, and churches they serve to share the love of Christ. The building supplies become homes, the water pumps provide clean water for entire communities, and the Bibles become resources for discipleship. Agape also expedites relief supplies during disasters and delivers humanitarian aid into Cuba, when possible, and serves as an important stateside connection for missionaries by serving as their "home" address.



***"If you take missions out of the Bible, you won't have anything left but the covers."*** Nina Gunter, First woman elected General Superintendent of the Nazarene Church & Author

## BREAKFAST CHURCH Venice Train Depot

This is an outreach ministry of Christ Venice Church to our homeless friends on the streets of Venice. Each Friday morning, volunteers from our church family serve a hot breakfast, conduct a worship service, offer prayer, and distribute toiletries and clothing. Because of your support, men and women have come to know and receive the love of Christ!



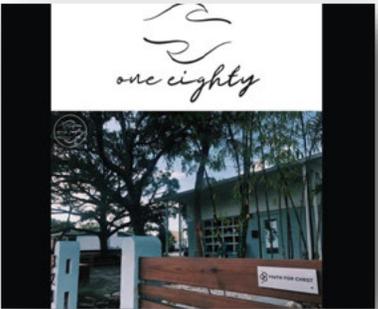


**LOCAL MISSIONS**

**“And the King will say, ‘I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!’ Mark 25:40**

**180 HOUSE - Venice**

Located in downtown Venice, not far from Venice High School, the 180 House offers teens a place to hang out with friends, have fun, and experience the love of Jesus. As an outreach of Suncoast Youth for Christ, the 180 House is intent on reaching youth who often feel unloved, unsafe and unseen. The 180 House is unique in that it uses board sports and the arts as a common interest to build relationships and teach life skills, with the help of adult volunteers of all ages. Students attend Bible studies, faith-based camps, volunteer in the community, and learn to navigate life's challenges with adult mentors.



**BLS MINISTRIES - Venice**

**Lenee Schroeder**

Lenee is an accomplished keyboard musician, vocalist, inspirational speaker, and long-time member of Christ Venice church. She brings women together for small, renewal retreats to allow the Lord to restore their souls. She also shares her gift of music, and her faith, in churches, retreats and conferences around the U.S., taking her to Colorado, Tennessee, North Carolina and more.



**Christ for Cuba**

**Cuba - El Cocal, Cosme Batey, Cuba Cellminutes**

Christ for Cuba works to establish sister church relationships to help Cuban pastors share the Gospel and improve lives in their communities. If a pastor does not have a sister church, then the pastor does not receive a salary, and more than 60 percent of Cuban pastors do not have a sister church. Your Faith Promise dollars have helped provide these pastors and their churches with Bibles, cell phone minutes, a laptop, water purification systems, church repairs and expansions, and transportation in isolated areas. A pastor reports that Cuba is experiencing a powerful revival where "thousands of people are running to the feet of Christ." His church expansion was made possible with your Faith Promise gifts and is seeing healings and salvations taking place every week.



**COLEMAN, Kris & Rachael  
Konbit Together, Jamaica**

God called the Coleman family away from Haiti over a year ago to Moneague, Jamaica. KONBIT - a term used to describe a group of people coming together to accomplish a project in their community will continue to focus on meeting its communities in Jamaica and Haiti. This includes everything from job creation, discipling, emergency housing, feeding programs, and much more. *In Jamaica*, the partnerships are deepening as the Colemans prepare to welcome mission teams for the summer. These teams will hold Vacation Bible School, perform small construction projects and community outreach. The Colemans say that when they partner with Jamaican churches, "we help them to move the cause of the kingdom of God forward in their communities." *Rachael is the daughter of Christ Venice's very first pastor, Mike Shirley.*



For security reasons this missionary's identity has been redacted from online presence.

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*"We never know how God will answer our prayers, but we can expect that He will get us involved in His plan for the answer. If we are true intercessors, we must be ready to take part in God's work on behalf of the people for whom we pray."*  
Corrie Ten Boom, author, speaker, helped Jews escape the Nazis

### COX, Kevin Word of Life - Brazil

Kevin was born and raised in Brazil and is passionate about helping to reach low-income youth with the Gospel of Jesus Christ through camp ministry. The free, weekend mini camps are held in the suburbs of Sao Paulo in partnership with local churches and other organizations that also work with low-income youth. Campers play high-energy, competitive games, hear the Gospel and receive good meals - many times better than what they receive in their homes. The games help to break down barriers to reach the minds and hearts of youth with the love of Jesus. At the end of camp, the youth are connected to the local churches for follow-up and discipleship.



### GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL - Lemon Bay Camp

The Gideons purchase and distribute Bibles to those in need, originating in 1908 by the Association of Christian businessmen who made it their mission to place Bibles in hotel rooms around the country. Since that time, the ministry has expanded its mission to provide Scriptures to all people in nearly every facet of life. Today, they have taken more than 2 billion Bibles in more than 95 languages to 200 countries, territories, and possessions across the globe.



*"If you are ever inclined to pray for a missionary, do it at once, wherever you are. Perhaps he may be in great peril at that moment."* Amy Carmichael, missionary to India for 55 years and an author of 35 books.

### JORDAN GOSPEL MINISTRY - Sarasota, FL

JGM works alongside the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) to help at-risk youth, as well as youth in residential facilities and foster care. Having been deeply involved in prison ministry, the founders of JGM run programs to keep youth off the path to incarceration. JGM is always working hard to provide children with spiritual and physical resources they need, such as clothing, backpacks, books, bicycles, and Bibles. They collect toys to distribute at Christmas and bring needed supplies to children at the Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranches.



## SMITH, Jerry & Susan

CTW/ Lifequest

The Smiths' ministry has transitioned from "boots on the ground" to "senders and facilitators" as they now provide support, leadership and counseling to pastors and churches in Mongolia, Panama, Europe, Venezuela, India, Romania, North Africa, Israel and in the U.S.. Based in Houston, TX, the Smiths use their experience to help bring resources and prayer to pastors like Sastry Meesala of India. Your Faith Promise gifts were sent to help distribute 1,500 Bibles in Telugu, Hindi and Punjabi languages in various rural villages in India. And through our partnership with the Smiths, our church was also able to send funds directly to a Romanian pastor whose church members crossed the border with relief supplies for Ukraine.



## REGIONAL MISSIONS

**"Feed the hungry, and help those in trouble. Then your light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around you will be as bright as noon." Isaiah 58:10**



## ECHO GLOBAL FARM

Ft. Myers, FL

For more than 30 years, ECHO has impacted millions of lives by teaching small-scale, sustainable farming to people around the world. ECHO's mission is to follow Jesus by reducing hunger and improving lives worldwide through partnerships that equip people with agricultural resources and skills. Your Faith Promise dollars provided year-round financial support, as well as additional funds to help rebuild some of their damaged facilities caused by Hurricane Ian.



## DeLUCIA, Roberto & Anna

Word of Life - Atibaia, Brazil

At the Vinde Meninos Relief Center in Atibaia, Sao Paulo, children and teens living in extreme poverty arrive, after school each day, to receive a meal, tutoring, recreation and Bible lessons. During the summer months, children of all ages come to the center for day and overnight camps. This past year there was a record number of nearly 75 children and 40 teens attending the center on a daily basis. Last March, there were 36 teens from the downtown Sao Paulo location that attended a weekend camp for the very first time and were presented the Gospel message. Nearly half of them are now attending church! At Christmas a record number of 310 children and adults came to the center for a celebration of food, music, a play, and the story of Jesus. Your Faith Promise gifts not only support the ministry but helped to purchase 12 new sets of tables and benches to replace the 60-year-old ones used daily by the children.



## EBNER, Johannes & Lena

Calling Ministry/Liberia, Africa

As year-round partners with the Ebners, your Faith Promise dollars help provide reading education, medical assistance, parenting classes, help for special needs children, Bible studies, and so much more. You helped the Ebners build traditional bush schools (with new outdoor bathrooms!) for young children who have no other opportunity for an education. Your gifts have also helped provide numerous hernia operations for needy persons in their villages, as hernias are seen by this community as curses that prevent them from getting jobs or joining in society. By meeting these physical and educational needs, a door is opened for the Ebners to develop relationships and introduce Jesus to their neighbors. The Ebners are expecting their third child in March 2024.



## **EDMISTON, Pat & Melenda Wycliffe Bible Translators, Southeast Asia**

Pat and Melenda have dedicated their lives to translating the Scriptures and teaching people to read and write in their own languages. They worked in translation and literacy among the Alamlak people in Papua New Guinea until the completion and dedication of the Alamlak New Testament in 2004. Recently, Pat has been serving as a translation consultant for national translators in Southeast Asia and the Pacific. He trains PNG nationals in Bible translation principles and consults with them on books of Scripture. Pat traveled last October to work with the Buhutu translators and was overjoyed to complete the books of Titus, Philemon, James, Ephesians and Galatians; now ready for distribution. Their focus will now turn to Phillippians, Colossians, and 1 and 2 Thessalonians in March 2024. Melenda has been involved with Wycliffe's Equip course for new missionaries and has facilitated the online learning phase for the new members before they come to the Wycliffe headquarters in Orlando - where the Edmiston are currently based.



***“Not called! Did you say? ‘Not heard the call,’ I think you should say. Put your ear down to the Bible and hear Him bid you go and pull sinners out of the fire of sin.” —William Booth, Methodist Pastor, Founder of The Salvation Army.***

## **FAN FAN, Pastor Victor Eglise Apocalypse - Rouge, Haiti**

Pastor Fan Fan has been a mission partner with Christ Venice for more than 25 years, having been introduced to John and Janet Outerbridge; founding members of the church. The church helped Pastor Fan Fan build and operate a rice mill, a church and a Christian school that has continued to serve his Haitian community with your Faith Promise gifts.



## **QUERFELD, Craig & Sue TEAM (The Evangelical Alliance Mission Latin America**

For more than 25 years, Craig and Sue were involved in church planting in Peru but have now transitioned to leading and caring for the missionary community in Latin America. They multi-year effort to pursue Gospel transformation and cultivate growth in collaboration, innovation and effectiveness. Your Faith Promise giving has helped the Querfelds and TEAM carry out their mission to “partner with the global Church in sending disciples who make disciples and establish missional churches to the glory of God.” Both Craig and Sue continue to travel to Latin America from their stateside home in South Carolina, while Sue also leads trainings to provide missionary care. Due to your generous giving, we were able to send a significant contribution to help purchase land for a rapidly-expanding church in Ciudad de Dios. *Sue is the daughter of Alice Bunning, longtime member of Christ Venice.*



***“The mark of a great church is not its seating capacity, but its sending capacity.” – Mike Stachura , Missionary, author***

## **RENEWED HOPE MISSIONS Santiago, Dominican Republic Pastor Sairy Marte**

Renewed Hope Missions ministers to impoverished children and their families in Santiago and several neighboring communities including Cuesta Arena and Los Cocos. Though the construction of buildings, schools and the distribution of clean water is an important focus of this ministry, the main goal is to share the love of God and offer hope for the future. Renewed Hope also provides a high-quality preschool and tutoring program for local children and celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2023. Christ Venice has taken several short-term medical/dental mission trips to Renewed Hope and has scheduled another for March 2024.



## MOZLEY, Michael & Pam

### Catalyst For Africa

Catalyst for Africa is a leadership-based ministry of New International, currently serving in 15 different African countries and partnering with more than 40 African leaders. The leadership training takes part in small groups, in a retreat setting to bring about profound change. This model is based in part on an African proverb: "If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together." Michael says CFA is seeing leaders raised up, marriages transformed and families restored as leaders take what they experience back to their homes, their places of ministry, and multiply it just as Jesus' disciples modeled. Michael is an ordained Methodist minister who resides in the Ft. Myers area. He served as a missionary in Ghana with TMS Global from 1999-2010 and also as the Senior Director of International Mobilization for two years. In 2013, God led Michael to establish CFA.



**"He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain that which he cannot lose." Jim Elliot, Missionary and one of five people killed attempting to evangelize the Huaorani people of Ecuador.**

## PROMISE FOR HAITI Pignon, Haiti

Promise for Haiti provides the best healthcare and education in Central Haiti. More than 145,000 people have been served through this ministry of healthcare, education, clean water, evangelism and community development. This past year, your Faith Promise gifts helped fund three solar wells to provide clean water and combat the cholera epidemic that has plagued this area for many years. You helped build one of nine Christian primary schools in the area surrounding Pignon. Each of the nine primary schools supported by Promise for Haiti provide meals for all the students, which may be the only meal the students have that day. *David Ruehr, PFH representative is the grandson of John & Janet Outerbridge, founders of our church.*



## HALE, Ryan & Gina

### Axia International Sicily, Italy

The Hale family works with immigrants and refugees coming to Europe from Africa, the Middle East, and South Asia. Their goal is to create a discipleship and church-planting movement and to see new disciples of Jesus make multiple generations of disciples. Most of their work is focused on evangelism and discipleship of people with a Muslim background. Their bike shop - Agape Bici, a community garden, and a ministry center reach people for Christ. Ryan says, "God is moving amongst some of those who have fled to Italy and we have had an opportunity to help them return back to their home countries to plant churches in Muslim majority countries. Pray that God will continue to call these people to courageously share the Gospel and make disciples amongst their own people!" Faith Promise gifts support the Hales year-round and have helped expand the ministry center and bicycle shop. *Ryan's parents, Steve and Dianna Hale, attend Christ Venice.*



## JN-GILLES, Julio

### Cap Haitien, Haiti

Pastor Julio and his wife, Guermanie, oversee Bethesda Church in the Madeline neighborhood of Cap Haitien, serving about 500 parishioners, as well as overseeing a primary school that serves close to 200 children. There is no free education in Haiti so most families cannot afford to send their children to school. This ministry partners with others to help cover the cost of schooling for impoverished children and helps families become self-sustaining through growing their own food, as well as providing clean water to those in the community. Political and civil unrest is causing great hardships for the people of Haiti. Gangs have been terrorizing the area where Pastor Julio serves and there is much lawlessness, which cost the life of one of his children recently. Please continue to pray for Pastor Julio and his family as they grieve the loss of their son.



## **KHALIL, Fawzi** Egypt

### **YWAM (Youth With A Mission)**

Fawzi regularly travels the corridors of the Middle East with a boldness, and unwavering faith in Jesus Christ, that leads him into dangerous situations. This past year alone, Fawzi has used your Faith Promise gifts to help purchase and deliver wheelchairs to victims of the war in Israel and Gaza, to bring relief supplies to the victims of a devastating earthquake in Morocco, and to help refugees in south Sudan with food kits and blankets. Fawzi said last month, "In a time such as this, God has permitted our church to begin to act in His mighty name for the aid of those stranded from Gaza in Sinai.....as doors opened divinely before us." Fawzi's team met the Director of Refugee Care who granted them permission to stay three days at a time to meet the spiritual and physical needs of the wounded families arriving there. Fawzi continues to lead a healing ministry in northern Iraq for young women who were slaves of ISIS and helps oppressed Muslim women operate a sewing business to gain financial independence and provide for their children.



***"God had only one Son, and He was a missionary."***  
David Livingstone, physician, missionary to Africa, anti slavery

## **KUHNE, Abbie**

### **Word of Life - Portugal**

Abbie continues to work with teens and college-age students in surrounding communities through camps, conferences, New City catechism, discipleship classes, youth group, Sunday School classes, and one-on-one mentoring/discipleship. She has a passion to develop relationships with young adults to lead them to the saving grace of Jesus Christ. Now that Abbie has finished her studies and is becoming fluent in Portuguese she is hopeful that her ministry will expand in great measure.



## **MILLER, Harry (Hank), Deby & Asher**

### **One Middle East Agency (OMEA)**

Through OMEA, the Millers are working in Israel to build communities through authentic relationships with Jesus. As two of our newest missionaries, the Millers were busy organizing Bible studies, bringing food to local Holocaust survivors, and growing a youth group when Israel came under attack. The Millers began serving both displaced Arab and Jewish families that were evicted from their homes due to the bombings and the terrorist attacks. Harry also began the dangerous task of taking carloads of Bibles and food to soldiers near the Israeli-Lebanon border who were fighting against Hamas and Hezbollah. Your Faith Promise gifts helped the Millers purchase supplies and food.



***"If God wills the evangelization of the world and you refuse to support missions, then you are opposed to the will of God."*** Oswald J. Smith, Pastor and Author

## **MOTAKATLA, Pastor Daniel**

### **New Covenant Ministry - India**

Last year Pastor Daniel visited Manipur where Christians are persecuted and where 357 churches were burned and close to 150 people were killed. There were 60 relief camps with about 40 families in each. Pastor Daniel spent time with those families and provided some small amount of money for them. This past Christmas there were more than 200 children in the village supported by this ministry who received shoeboxes, included with the Good News of Jesus Christ. More than 75 elderly people received clothing, as well. In February 2024, Pastor Daniel has organized a 3-day open-air Gospel campaign. He asks us to pray that God would use him and his ministry to do greater things in the village for His glory.

