## What's happening globally? **PURPOSE** *Connecting local with global.*

A Missions Newsletter by The Mission



## A Message from David Crone

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## **GET INVOLVED**

When you come into the Mission auditorium and see on the screen the message "Welcome Home", you're being welcomed into a family that is more than the people in that room.

Your global family is made of up ministries that cover several nations and people groups around the world. They include schools you helped plant and support, such as Mission Fiji and Mission Philippines; partner ministries like Sounds Of The Nations founded by Dan McCollam, Evergreen Ministries founded by Caleb Byerly, Ebenezer Prison Ministries founded by Tim May, City Prayer founded by Mark and Tammy Hawkins, and a ministry to the Native Americans in the Round Valley Reservation founded by Basil Hicks.

Your global family also comes along-side other ministries that have need of partnership. For example, we recently assisted a refugee family from Ukraine settle in Czech Republic and start a ministry among other Ukrainian refugees.

You may now be asking: "How can I get to know my global family?" Well, a good place to start is right here in this month's PURPOSE. You can also go to www.imissionchurch.com and read earlier editions.

I love being in this family of global ministries with you. Welcome home!

What's happening globally?

# **Global Buzz**

**Sam and Iva - Sounds of the Nations Fiji** The SOTN Fiji Team has been busy the last few months with their Music Academy. They are currently in the middle of their first term with eighteen students.

Sam, Iva and Team continue to minister locally and were even a part of an event where the President of Fiji was an attendee! They also were a part of some worship engagements in the Capital city of Suva where they participated in engagements with churches in that region. Sam says, "We are so grateful and honored to be able to minister prophetically and also we see it as an opportunity to connect with other churches."



One of the students practicing what he has learned

Recently the team was invited by the Bible Society of Fiji and their National T.V. station *Fiji One* to lead worship for one of their events for two days where Sam says they saw an amazing outpouring and a hunger in the people wanting a fresh touch



Some team members from Sounds of the Nations Fiji.

from God. God continues to move mightily in Fiji and with the Sounds of the Nation Team. The team continues to receive so many wonderful opportunities and God given connections that are fully allowing them to move in both their local purpose and their global purpose.

Prayer Points - Ways you can partner with the SOTN Fiji Team in prayer:

- Pray for their upcoming Prophetic Worship Conference."
- New recording studio equipment.
- A vehicle to transport them to all the places they are traveling and ministering.
- Strength and clear vision as they prepare for this next part of the year.

Mission Fiji - Written by Onny who is our Director of Operations Mission Fiji Ni sa Bula Vinaka – Greetings from the Islands of Fiji.

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It's been an exciting three months after some Covid restrictions have been lifted and allowed us to function freely in our city, communities, churches and of course in our facility.

One of our strategies this year is to reach our local churches and stir up the gifts and release a fresh fire of the Holy Spirit to revive the body of Christ in our Nation. Already we have visited five churches where the supernatural power of God was so intense signs and wonders taking place. Sick healed instantly, prophetic words and words of knowledge released and more souls coming back to the Kingdom. In one incident, there was a man who was carried from his home with an intensive heart attack and he was healed instantly before being ministered too!

## COMMUNITY

Recently there was a police community appeal to reduce crime against women and violence and we were able to be a part of it in a three hour program where we were able to share the word of God.

## MISSION FIJI SCHOOL

We are anticipating thirty students to attend the school in the upcoming semester. These students are selected from their Senior Leaders and responsible for all their tuition fees. Our students will be participating in different global outreaches

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We currently have two outreach locations scheduled. One of them is an Aboriginal community in Australia and the other a Native American Reservation located at Round Valley in Northern California.

# Prayer Points - Ways you can partner with the Fiji Team in prayer:

- Pray for strength and clear vision.
- Pray for continued favor with their local communities and churches.
- Pray for and declare great health over the Mission Fiji Team and their families.
- Pray for the nation of Fiji, that it will continue to experience His love, miracles, signs and wonders.

## Caleb Byerly - Global

Caleb and his wife Glady's have recently welcomed a new baby girl to their family -Anaya Grace. "We are so thankful that the Lord has given us a new baby girl, Anaya Grace. She was born on Dec 28th, 2021. Now she's three months old and our three sons adore her. It's been a special season for our family." Caleb has also been busy speaking at churches around the USA and they are excited to announce their first camp/conference at their Evergreen Missions farm in Moravian Falls, NC. It will be taking place in August 2022 and it's called RéCreate. It is a five day gathering for believers who want to go

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deeper in the Lord. "The time will be focused on returning back to the garden of relationship and stepping into our true identity as sons and daughters.

For more information on this special gathering, please visit their website at: https://evergreenmissions.regfox.com/camprcreate.



Baby Anaya

TINONANON TRIBE, PHILIPPINES Caleb gives an amazing report of some great things God is doing with the people of the Tinonanon tribe.

"The Lord has powerfully moved across the tribe the past two years and many have given their lives to Jesus, have been baptized and are now growing in the Lord. Our teams from the cities have been going to the tribal areas to encourage and strengthen them. The amazing thing is that young passionate leaders, like Paul and Stephen in the Bible, are being raised up to steward the work of the Lord! Last report I heard, the gospel grew from four communities of believers to fifteen communities! We are starting our first building in the Tinonanon tribe, a Worship Center in the area that is like the 'Antioch' of



Caleb, Gladys and family.

the Tinonanon tribe. We are starting this building project in October, 2022. I am Excited to see what the Lord does with this!"

## Livestock ministry- Philippines

In addition, Evergreen Missions (The Byerly's), have started a new livestock ministry at one of their church plants in the Philippines. The vision of the livestock ministry is to empower the locals to raise their own animals as a food source and become an extra income for the community. There's a lot of excitement around this project. The locals are able to be discipled through this opportunity to serve their families and communities!



Tinonanon tribe members worshipping Jesus!

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## Prayer Points - Ways you can partner with The Byerly Family in prayer:

- Pray for continued vision as they plan and prepare for RéCreate and pray for the people and families that will be attending.
- Pray for the Tinonanon tribe to be strengthened and encouraged. Let us declare more communities of believers.

## **Basil Hicks - Native American**

Basil and his wife Kasanita have been busy loving the people of Round Valley. They have been leading bible studies and services and Basil reported, "It is a joy and honor to report that during our bible study, we had the privilege of leading a Native American lady (Bev) into salvation and are looking forward to starting baptismal classes with her soon."

They have also had some much needed renovation and work done on their parsonage that was led by an amazing team of people. A pellet stove and countertops were installed last week. Basil says, "We are so thankful for all that has been done in order for us to be able to have a decent place to live in. Once again to all those who had a hand in fixing this parsonage, Vinaka Vakalevu (Thank You)."

Early April, Basil and Kasa were a part of a team that led a tent Revival meeting at the House of Yahweh in Round Valley Covelo.



Kitchen remodel that took place in the parsonage Basil and Kasanita are living in.

Currently, Basil and Kasa are excited to have Joji (George) Fatiaki, his wife Susan and young son Daniel with them. This family has come from Fiji with a desire to do ministry with Native Americans. Basil says, "It is an answer to prayer for Kasa and I. We have been praying for help to assist us with ministry amongst the First Nations people. It is our vision to establish the work here and train up a Native American person to take over whilst we use Covelo as a base to reach out to the other surrounding reservations and establish ministry there also."

## Prayer Points - ways you can partner with Basil and Kasa in prayer:

- Pray for Round valley Covelo and a mighty move of God to sweep this area.
- Pray for an end to violence on the reservation and an end to cartel influence.

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- Pray for a young man (Brett), his wife Daniella and their young daughter Sparrow who have been attending service.
- Pray for Basil, Kasa and the Fatiaki family as they endeavour together to establish God's purpose for that valley.

#### Jon and Marcia Tulio - Philippines

Currently Marcia and Jon are planning a July trip to the Philippines. After two years of not being able to travel they are really excited to be with the Deeper team and the Alumni as well. When they return, they are planning a Deeper team Advance where they can catch up, minister to each other, and strategize to advance Deeper's mission in Bacolod and the Philippines. Jon states, "Marcia and I have been very heartsick to be with our friends in Bacolod and we really long to be with the community there that we have been called to serve. We are excited to see where we as leaders can help May, Ana Liza, Randy, Kim and Karlo continue to take territory in the areas God has called them."

In addition to leading their amazing team from a distance, Marcia and Jon continue to be a blessing to Marcia's parents as they become less able to do the everyday things that they are used too. They also stay busy raising their two sons Judah and James. Jon has been stepping into his calling in youth work by substitute teaching four

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days a week in various grade levels in East Palo Alto and Daly City. He says, "I believe God is calling me to launch youth programs in our area and in other places around California in the future."

Jon is also taking college courses and hoping to complete a degree in Child Development (Youth Work) and Philippine Studies by the end of next school year. Marcia is taking Philippine Studies classes as well. "We are truly blessed to have these opportunities to learn more and step into new divine connections, partnerships and relationships. Yes, it has been difficult for us not to be able to be in the Philippines for the last two years but God continues to grow us for our calling there. God is really good."

# Prayer Points - Ways you can partner with the Tulio's in prayer:

- Pray for Jon, Marcia and family for continued health and strategy as they live in this busy season of life.
- Pray for the Deeper Philippines Team members, for continued health, protection and favour as they continue to love and minister to their community.
- Pray for continued strategies and vision as they plan the next steps for Deeper Philippines.

## Missionary Highlight: Tim May

Written by: Tim May



#### About Me:

I've been involved in prison ministry for over thirty three years. I was an Associate Pastor at the Mission from 1996 to 2016 and I currently serve as a Resource Pastor. I've also served in the local community as Vice President, then President of the Vacaville Christian Ministerial Association of which I'm still a member. In addition, I was a member of the following organizations: Coalition of Prison Evangelists (COPE); Christian Association for Prison Aftercare; Prison Fellowship (PF); Champions for Life; and the California Chaplains Coordinating Committee.

I retired from the United States Air Force in 1988 after serving twenty four years. I then worked at the Veterans Clinic as a Cardiopulmonary Technician for about eighteen months, prior to coming on staff.

#### **Ministry Behind Prison Walls**

The Mission of Ebenezer Outreach Ministry is to deliver Bible- based teaching, encouragement, counseling and mentoring ministry to incarcerated individuals, their families, as well as prison chaplains.

The Vision I received from the Lord while walking the grounds of CSP-Solano: there were ten thousand men worshiping the Lord and I heard them sing Amazing Grace. Then there was an earthquake, and both California State Prison-Solano and California Medical Facility were lifted up and a light from Heaven shined down on them. Everything stopped in Vacaville and in the surrounding areas. The vision has guided and empowered me for our service to both men and women behind the prison walls.

Our team had been ministering at the prison chapel services when I was recommended by prison staff to assist another with the Purpose Driven Life program: Forty Days of Purpose. From that initial program, we graduated over two hundred inmates and had a waiting list for the next program! EOM's ministry

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expanded with additional Christian programs that took place Monday thru Wednesday, on Fridays and one Saturday per month.

I've been told that the original vision number of those coming to Christ through EOM has already been exceeded. However, fulfillment of the vision is not totally complete as I received it.

Currently, since Covid, the prison has reopened for church services; all other programs are opening on a limited basis.

EVANGELISTIC OUTREACH MINISTRY TEAMS

The JERUSALEM TEAMS - Our local ministry is to California State Prison, Solano where our teams conduct weekly chapel services, Christian teaching programs, and special events. These programs prepare men for greater spiritual growth, understanding the Bible and promotes hands-on ministry inside the prison. This includes Spanish language outreach activities.

JOYFUL EXPRESSIONS – A traveling team of individuals who minister in song and preach the Word of God in State and Federal prison facilities in Northern and Central California. The team has also ministered in Arizona, Northern Nevada, and Romania. In addition, our Joyful Expressions team has ministered at the California Youth Authority in Stockton, California and Juvenile Hall in Sacramento, California.

*ONE VOICE PRAISE CHOIR* – A community volunteer choir representing several churches, sponsored by Ebenezer Outreach Ministry. The choir performs Easter and Christmas musicals and some summer evangelistic outreaches in prisons in Northern and Central California. The choir also ministers occasionally at local churches.

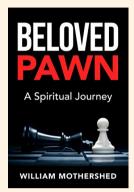
ANGEL TREE - Prison Fellowship Angel Tree equips churches to strengthen relationships between incarcerated parents and their children and support the families of prisoners year around.

For testimonies and other information regarding the ministries above, please visit https://ebrock.org/blog/.

AN INMATE'S STUNNING PERSPECTIVE Regina McCollam - I am proofreading Bill Mothershed's book "BELOVED PAWN" and

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came across this selection from the author, an inmate with a life sentence, that I think you will find encouraging for yourself. You and your teammates are heroes to many. "You would not recognize the heroes of my faith who quietly take the point position in the Lord's battle against the darkness. Seldom does anyone write books about them. Their faces are not likely to appear on your television screen. My heroes are the men and women who carry the Word of God into the forgotten and insignificant corners of the world and who minister to the needs of the forgotten and seemingly insignificant souls the Lord places in their paths. In a decade or two or three, they are still there sharing the love of God with all who are willing to receive it. They are not just passing through or biding time until the Lord promotes them to the spiritual big leagues. They are my heroes. The Lord leads some of these people to find their way into prison ministry, and I love them with all my heart. It takes a special soul to seek out such a mission. Those who come back week after week, year after year are truly mighty heroes of the faith and are examples that I try to follow." Billy's Book can be purchased via Amazon Website: www.ebrock.org.



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# Prayer Points - Ways you can partner with the Ebenezer Outreach in prayer:

- Pray for all inmates that they would experience and know the love of God.
- Pray for those that are in charge of making critical decisions for our prisons.
- Pray for our prison guards, chaplains and all those that serve in this area of law enforcement.
- Pray for continued open doors into the prison system for Ebenezer Outreach so that they can continue spreading the love and word of God.

## UPCOMING WARCHEST:

MAY: BASIL HICKS

JUNE: PHILIPPINES LEADERS ADVANCE

JULY: EBENEZER OUTREACH AND ALPHA PREGNANCY CENTER





## Want to get involved?

Check out some ways you can play an important part in Missions. We'd love to have you partner with us.

## • PRAY

Pray with us for our missionaries and mission endeavours. You can pick up prayer cards at our Warchest table every first Sunday of the month.

## • GIVE

Every first Sunday of the month, we provide a time of giving to our Warchest offering. You can also give toward Warchest anytime via our *imissionchurch.com* website.

## • GO

Every year we send out teams of people to minister abroad. We would love for you to join us.

## • SEND

If you can't go on a missions trip but would like to be a part of someone else's missions trip, we have ways for you to partner in that.

## • HOST

Throughout the year, we host many people from other nations that are in need of a host home, transportation, or just personal encouragement while they are here.

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