

# THE CHURCH FROM LOCAL TO GLOBAL

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*Global missions begins at home,  
right where we live, in our "Jerusalem." (Acts 1:8)  
It then extends out to other areas of our world,  
driven by God's compassion for the lost.*

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Christian Life Center, A Foursquare Church

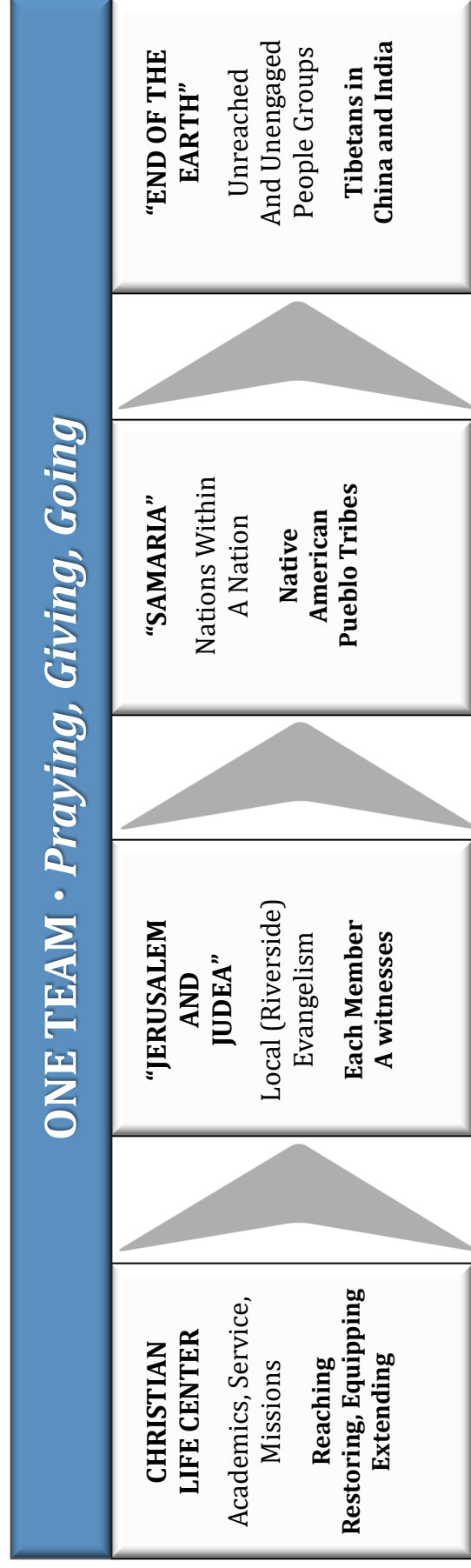
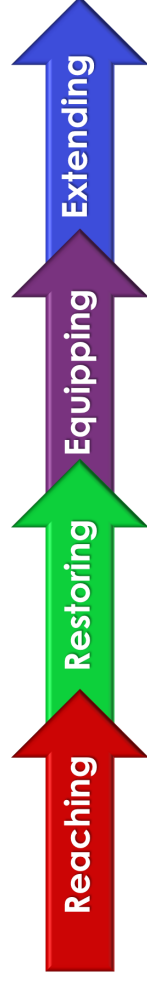
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ILLUSTRATION 1

ILLUSTRATION 2

**ACTS 1:8** *But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in **Jerusalem**, and in all **Judea** and **Samaria**, and to the **end of the earth**. (Matthew 28:18-20)*



# ONE TEAM >>> PRAYING GIVING GOING

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When mentioning the church, many refer to a building or an address. The word “church” is actually a translation of the Greek word “ecclesia,” a group of people who are called out (of the world) and into God’s Kingdom. The root meaning is people. Paul’s greeting says it all in Romans 16:3-5 *Greet Priscilla and Aquila, my fellow workers in Christ Jesus,... Likewise greet the church that is in their house.* (Ephesians 2:19-22)

The first mention of “Church” in the New Testament is in reference to the powerful institution built on the revelation that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God! Matthew 16:15-19 *...and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it...*

Although not unique, the multifaceted calling of our church, Christian Life Center in Riverside, CA, can be summarized in four great activities: to reach the lost, to restore broken lives, to equip people for fruitful ministry and, as a Church, to extend beyond the walls of our church into His Harvest field. (John 4:35-38)



## 1. REACHING the lost

- A. John 1:40-50 “Come and see”
- B. Reaching the lost is a natural response to our own salvation. It was the primary function of the early church, and an integral part of each believer’s life. Although not everyone is always ready to receive Christ, we CAN “scatter seed” with practical acts of God’s love.
- C. Our purpose | We reach the lost by presenting Christ in relational ways that would draw the non-Christian person to personally meet and receive the Savior. This is also accomplished by meeting people at their particular point of need.
- D. Ministries | Prayer Outside the Walls — Preparing the “soil” by first talking to God about people, then talking to people about God (QR code); food and clothing ministry; every member a witness; concerts and special events, etc.



## 2. RESTORING those whom God brings

- A. Luke 4:14-21; Isaiah 61:1-3 | Most people who come to Christ carry into their new relationship the brokenness of a life lived outside the blessings of God. Some need deep deliverance from addictions, etc. The Church has the answer through the power of the Holy Spirit as reflected in the ministry of Christ.
- B. John 11:43-44 | When Jesus raised Lazarus from death, the disciples were told to loose him of his grave clothes. In the same way, we can assist others in the transformation process by partnering with the Holy Spirit.

- C. Our purpose | We restore broken lives by loving and accepting people as they are, for who they are. We then assist them in their freedom from bondage, hurt, torment and imbalance.
- D. Ministries | Sunday celebration; Life Groups, connecting people in fellowship; Christian Life Classes dealing with addictions, marriage, etc.

### 3. **EQUIPPING God's people for service**

- A. Serving in our graces | Romans 12:4-8; 1 Corinthians 12:1, 4-11; Ephesians 4:11-16
- B. Our purpose | God's desire is that everyone experiences a meaningful place of service in the Body of Christ. We assist people in discovering their passion in life, their spiritual gifts, and their unique personal style of service so they can serve Christ better.
- C. Ministries | Discover Life; Discipleship Institute (QR codes); serving God by serving His people; Foursquare licensing process.



### 4. **EXTENDING out into His Harvest field**

- A. ONE TEAM, Praying, Giving, Going.
- B. GO into all the world | Matthew 9:37-38; Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8
- C. Our purpose | We believe that Christ commissioned us to go into all the world with the Good News and make disciples of all. This is accomplished by spreading His Love at home, through planting churches, and through missions journeys and relevant projects.
- D. Ministries | Church planting; Native American Pueblo tribes (Hopi, Zuni, Jemez); Tibetans in the Tibetan Autonomous Region of China, China, and Dharamsala, India; the new Modern Tibetan Bible, publishing and distribution. (Some of this information can be seen by clicking the QR codes)




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## **KNOWN FOR HIS PRESENCE**

Several years ago, Leslie Keegle, Sri Lanka/Global Foursquare, gave a prophecy to Christian Life Center. Here's a portion of that word...

*...There will be a move of My Spirit. Have your eyes on Me, hunger and thirst for My righteousness, for My Spirit and My word... and innumerable people will come and fall on their faces before Me.*

*This place shall be known for My glory. This place will be known for My attendance for I will pour out My Spirit says the Lord, and you shall be known as a people of My Presence.*

This has begun to take place to the glory of God! (Joshua 21:45, 23:14)

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*Approximately 2 billion have never had the chance to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ even once nor do they have access to Christian people or resources!  
They are unreached and unengaged.*

## **THE STATE OF THE WORLD** *From Global Frontier Missions*

**33% of the world is considered Christian** (Roughly 2.5 billion).

- 72% of all world missionaries go to people that have Bibles and churches.
- \$39 Billion (87%) of missions money goes to countries already considered Christian.



**38% of the world has access to the Gospel but has not chosen to follow Jesus** (Roughly 2.9 billion).

- 25% of all world missionaries go to people that have some access to Bibles and churches.
- \$5.4 Billion (12%) of missions money goes to countries that have access to the Gospel.

**29% of the world has never heard of Jesus** (Roughly 2.3 billion).

- 3% of all world missionaries go to people that have no way to hear the Gospel.
- \$450 Million (1%) of missions money goes to countries that have no access to the Gospel.

**In other words... 3% of our missionaries, armed with only 1% of the finances is going out to reach the 2.3 billion people who have NO access to the Gospel!**

John 4:1-26 Do you not say, "There are still four months and then comes the harvest"? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!



Beautiful Feet Video



## OUR FOUR-STEP APPROACH TO PRE-EVANGELISM

1 Kings 8:60 ...*that all the peoples of the earth may know that the Lord is God; there is no other.*

The ultimate goal of missions is to bring the lost to Christ and train indigenous leaders. But in many countries where evangelism is forbidden, other methods must be implemented. We have used this four-step method for the Pueblo tribes in the U.S. and Tibetans in China and India.



### STEP 1

**Through continued prayer and fasting, we discover God's heart and His plan for a particular unreached and unengaged nation (ethnos, people group).**

Study the culture, its history, religions, beliefs about death and ancestors, social behaviors, family, and future. Example: western thinking is present to future while in many cultures it's past to present. Traditions, ancestors, etc. is everything.

- Genesis 12:1-3 ...*and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.* (Acts 17:26-27)

### STEP 2

**Choose a team or associates who have the same vision and passion for the people and culture and begin prayer journeys on site.**

Continue to ask God to clarify His heart and strategy for that nation or people group. Pray for a "person of peace" and allow God to show you the right person (Christian or not) to connect with. These are people who are sympathetic or, to some degree, understand you and your mission.

- Luke 10:5-7 ...*And if anyone of peace is there, your (blessing of) peace will rest on him;...*

**Note** — Discover a unique and genuine need to meet. Through our non-profit organization, RestoringTouch ([www.rtinc.org](http://www.rtinc.org)), we distribute personal solar lights and water filters.



### STEP 3

**Develop those relationships and return as frequently as possible.**

Become one of them (the Hudson Taylor model). Be a learner and enjoy being with them. Develop friendships with no ulterior motive, trusting God for the final result.

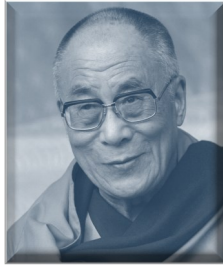
- 1 Corinthians 9:19-23 ...*I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some...*

### STEP 4

**The Gospel must be expressed in the context of their cultural thinking and understanding if we expect them to receive it.**

As God opens the door, carefully explain the Gospel and wait for God's Spirit to reveal it to them. Words with miracles following are the greatest witness.

- Luke 5:4-11 4 *When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch."...And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking... When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees,...* (The Samaritan harvest in John 4:1-42)



HIS HOLINESS  
THE 14TH THE DALAI LAMA OF TIBET

Dear Mr. Lankhorst,

Thank you for your recent gift to His Holiness along with a bottle of water from Lake Yamdrok Tso following your trips to Tibet.

His Holiness very much appreciates your gift and your organization's humanitarian work for the less privileged members of our society in many countries, including in Tibet and China.

The best service that anyone can render is for uplifting the lives of needy and poor people wherever they are. We, therefore, commend your organization, RestoringTouch Inc., for their welfare.

His Holiness sends his prayers and good wishes to you and your organization.

Chhime R. Chhoekyapa  
*Secretary, Office of His Holiness the Dalai Lama*  
*McLeod Ganj, Dharamsala*  
*Himachal Pradesh, India*





## WEB PAGES



### **RestoringTouch Home Page**

<https://www.rtinc.org/index.html>



### **Hopi** (See Adopt an Elder, [www.hopi.org/adopt-an-elder](http://www.hopi.org/adopt-an-elder))

<https://www.rtinc.org/native-americans.html>



### **Tibet Autonomous Region of China** (With pictures)

<https://www.rtinc.org/china--tibet.html>



### **RestoringTouch article on Chinese website** (With pictures)

<https://www.chinadiscovery.com/travel-stories/annual-love-sharing-tibet-trip.html>

## VIDEOS



### **Christian Life Center Missions**

<https://youtu.be/JDQUORfOQ2M>



### **Hopi** (Including Zuni and Jemez Pueblos in NM)

<https://youtu.be/JwolnWJMgQk>



### **Bringing Light** (No sound)

<https://youtu.be/HuA-2WdBicA>



### **Dharamsala, India** (Trip 2)

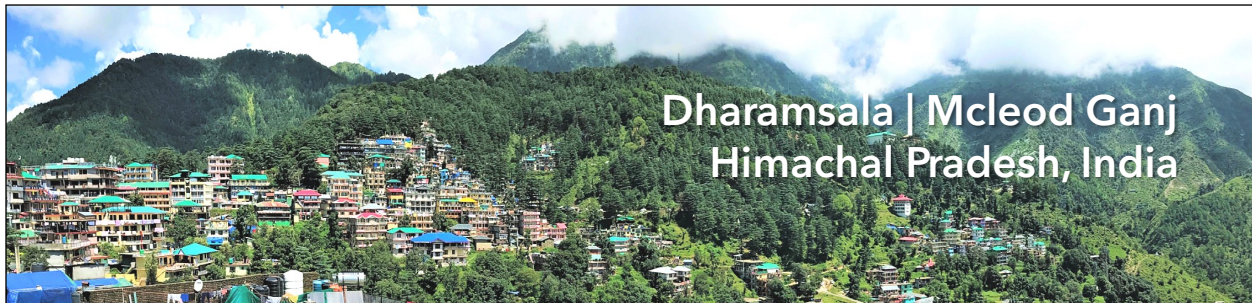
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### **Lost** (See Beautiful Feet video page 5)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SdJiqFYH7Rc&feature=youtu.be>





**M**cleod Ganj, a part of Dharamsala, is the location of the Tibetan Government in Exile and the home of the 14th Dalai Lama of Tibet. ([Tibet.net](http://Tibet.net); [DalaiLama.com](http://DalaiLama.com))

### Dates

February 13-22, 2023

### Team members

The team is led by Pastor Jack and consists of *Joe Uribe*: Cambodia, Haiti, Tibet, India; *John Brown*: 2nd time to Dharamsala; *Travis Anderson*: Hopi, Haiti, Tibet; *Adrianna Delgadillo*: 2nd time to Dharamsala; *Jody Always*: Hopi, 1st time to Dharamsala.

### Purpose

- To be led by the Holy Spirit in all we do and to intercede for the Tibetan world.
- To connect with “Joseph” (Modern Tibetan Bible) and pray for the success of the new Bible distribution. We will bring personal solar lights for the Tibetan nomads in the Chang Tang.
- “Joseph” and Pastor Jack will present a special Bible to the Dalai Lama.
- To connect with Yeshe Lhundup and Tibet World. ([TibetWorld.org](http://TibetWorld.org))
- Possible visit and project with the Tibetan Children’s Village Institution run by the Dalai Lama’s sister, Jetsun Pema. ([tcv.org.in](http://tcv.org.in))
- Go to strategic areas of Dharamsala to pray for the future of the Tibetans after the death of the Dalai Lama.

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