THE FOREIGN MISSION

OF THE APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH OF AMERICA

"YOUR FOREIGN MISSION AT A GLANCE"

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Mission Statement: (Abbreviated version) The Mission of the Foreign Mission of the Apostolic Lutheran Church is to be obedient to the words of our Lord Jesus Christ when he said in Mark 16:15 Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. Going forth with The Word of God by His Grace is the reason the Foreign Mission exists. In the Gospel of John, Chapter 20, verse 21-23 Jesus says: Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you......

It is with this message that we desire to go forth as Jesus said in Matthew 28:18-20 All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Cost what it may cost, this is our mission.

Countries Served: Guatemala, India, Sri Lanka, Myanmar, Russia, Philippines, Nigeria, South Africa, Togo, Ghana, Liberia, Vietnam, Pakistan, Kenya and Rwanda The level of activity varies greatly from country to country according to needs and resources. Proclaiming the Gospel is always our top priority. Missionaries from the ALC are on the ground, when possible.

Number of Churches and Congregants: The numbers are almost impossible to count because the gatherings are not always in churches, and one pastor may serve many congregations. Numbers are not what we are after... we just desire to Preach the Word, and God does with that as He will!

Pastors: In some countries, one pastor is responsible for 6-8 congregations or more. Services are conducted on many different days during the week. Our Pastors abroad serve full time and engage in all the Pastoral duties that they do here in the states, but with many additional obstacles such as poverty, sicknesses, and lack of proper buildings

Booklets & Newsletters: The Christian Monthly has a wide distribution worldwide. The Where He Leads newsletter is several times per year. The Weekly Diner is published each Tuesday and sent worldwide via email. The FM Monthly News is sent out monthly and also Post on the Foreign Mission Facebook page.

Funding Sources: Love gifts and offerings from Individuals, Companies, Churches, Sunday Schools, and Foundations

Costs: Approximately 94.6% of our income goes directly to the spreading of the Gospel outside the US. Our overhead/administration costs are among the lowest, when compared to most any charitable organization.



Up Coming Seminars and Programs: Mission Training Classes, Convention Presentations, and Church and Youth camp presentations are all part of the planning to inform and equip the church body for this most important mission, the spreading of the *Gospel of Jesus Christ*.

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Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

Matthew 9:38

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