

# Mission **Connexion** Program 2026 Northwest



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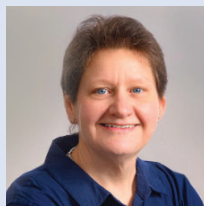
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## MissionConnexion

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**Vision:** God's people effectively mobilized in mission.

**Mission:** "The purpose of MissionConnexion Northwest is to serve church communities in taking steps of obedience to fulfill the Great Commission"





## Welcome to MissionConnexion Northwest 2026

### Unshaken!

**Psalms 62:6** declares: *"He alone is my rock and my salvation: he is my defense; I shall not be shaken."* King David is facing those who are trying to attack him and take him down, while also taking great delight in lying about him, and trying to extort and exploit him. Sound familiar?

David continually finds his strength, rest, defense, and salvation in God. Not once but twice in this Psalm he proclaims: *"Truly He is my rock and my salvation; He is my fortress, I will not be shaken..."*

**70 years ago this last week**, five missionaries, including Jim Elliot from Portland, with similar faith, went to a remote, ruthless tribe deep in the Amazon jungle to share the life-transforming message of the gospel with them. From their diaries, we know they went unshaken in their faith...yet they were all killed. Others continued and eventually the entire tribe followed Christ and with unshaken faith also began to reach out and share the message with the same neighboring tribes they used to murder.

It is our hope that as you anticipate how the Lord wants to use you, and what your next steps might be to fulfill the great commission (Matthew 28:19-20) in your life, that you do so by putting your complete trust in the Lord and out of obedience, also step out by faith, unshaken.

#### Bill MacLeod

Director, MissionConnexion



## Welcome to MissionConnexion!



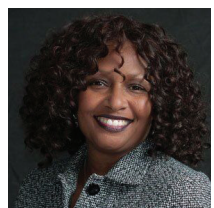
We're so excited that you're joining us for another year of MissionConnexion Northwest 2026. Sunset Church is honored to host this event that brings so many churches together - all with the passion to change the world locally and globally through missions, through Christ. Our church's mission is to make disciples of all the nations - who are being transformed into the likeness of Christ.

Our prayer is that each person we touch would be **'unshaken'** in their walk with Christ and the foundation of the Bible. From our local, regional, and global outreach efforts, missions are such an integral part of

Sunset and what an amazing event to partner with as we host the 25th anniversary of MissionConnexion! We believe God is our foundation and He will do powerful things throughout our time together!

#### Steve Ruetschle

Senior Pastor, Sunset Church



#### Georgene Rice

EMCEE

"Georgene has recently retired from over 30 years of hosting a talk show on KPQ. In 2003, Georgene served as the chief spokesman

and debater for the Defense of Marriage Coalition, which successfully amended Oregon's constitution. She has lectured on university campuses and is a frequent speaker and worship leader at Christian conferences and retreats. Georgene has served on several boards and regularly volunteers for charitable organizations. As musicians, Georgene and her husband Dan have traveled around the world teaching, and performing Gospel music.

## Worship Leaders: Phil Church and The Collective



Phil Church is the Worship Pastor for Sunset Church and one of the contributors to "Sunset Worship", a collective of artists and musicians from Sunset Church who create and release original worship music for The Church.



Sunset Worship has released dozens of songs, such as "His Love Endures Forever" and "Yours is the Kingdom", sung by churches throughout the Northwest.

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# Conference Schedule

## Thursday, January 15

**7:00 – 8:30 PM** Pre Event Prayer Launch

## Friday, January 16

**4:00 PM** Doors Open  
**4:30 – 7:00 PM** Visit Exhibitions / Dinner for purchase  
**5:30 – 6:30 PM** Workshop Session #1  
(Speaker Q&A Dr. Pam Arlund)  
**7:00 – 9:00 PM** Keynote — Dr. Ed Stetzer

## Saturday, January 17

**8:00 AM** Doors Open  
**9:00 – 10:30 AM** Keynote — Dr. Pam Arlund  
**11:00 AM – 12:00 PM** Workshop Session #2  
(Speaker Q&A Dr. Charles Mugisha)  
**12:00 – 1:30 PM** Visit Exhibitions / Lunch for Purchase  
**12:15 – 1:15 PM** Noontime Lunch Gatherings (pg 12)  
**1:30 – 2:30 PM** Workshop Session #3  
(Speaker Q&A Dr. Reid Saunders)  
**3:00 – 4:30 PM** Keynote — Dr. Charles Mugisha  
**4:30 – 7:00 PM** Visit Exhibitions / Dinner for Purchase  
**5:30 – 6:30 PM** Workshop Session #4  
**7:00 – 9:00 PM** Keynote — Dr. Reid Saunders

Saturday Keynote sponsored by Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Company

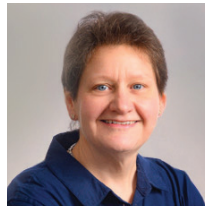
**Mark your calendars now for MCNW 2027 | January 15 – 16, 2027**

## Featured Speakers



**Ed Stetzer, PhD**  
Dean and Professor of Leadership, Talbot School of Theology at Biola University

Ed Stetzer, Ph.D., is the Dean and Professor of Leadership and Christian Ministry at Talbot School of Theology at Biola University. Stetzer has planted, revitalized, and pastored churches on six continents; earned two master's degrees and two doctorates; and written various articles and books. He is Regional Director for Lausanne North America and the Editor-in-Chief of Outreach Magazine. His national radio show, Ed Stetzer Live, airs Saturdays on Moody Radio and affiliates. Stetzer serves his local church, Mariners Church.



**Pam Arlund**  
Bible Translator  
All Nations International

Pam Arlund is a missionary, trainer, and Bible translator with All Nations International. She served in Central Asia, where she helped several previously unreached Muslim people groups know and love Jesus. She has written numerous books and articles on missions. She is the co-editor of Perspectives 5th Edition and a Perspectives Instructor.



**Charles Mugisha**  
Founder/President  
Africa New Life

Charles Mugisha is the founder and president of Africa New Life Ministries. This faith-based organization transforms lives in Rwanda through educational sponsorship, youth and women empowerment, health care initiatives, leadership training, food distribution, and other significant areas contributing to the sustainable development of Rwanda. Currently operating in different provinces and districts of Rwanda, specifically in 10 communities. Africa New Life supports over 11,000 children and over 10,000 families.



**Reid Saunders**  
Evangelist/Author  
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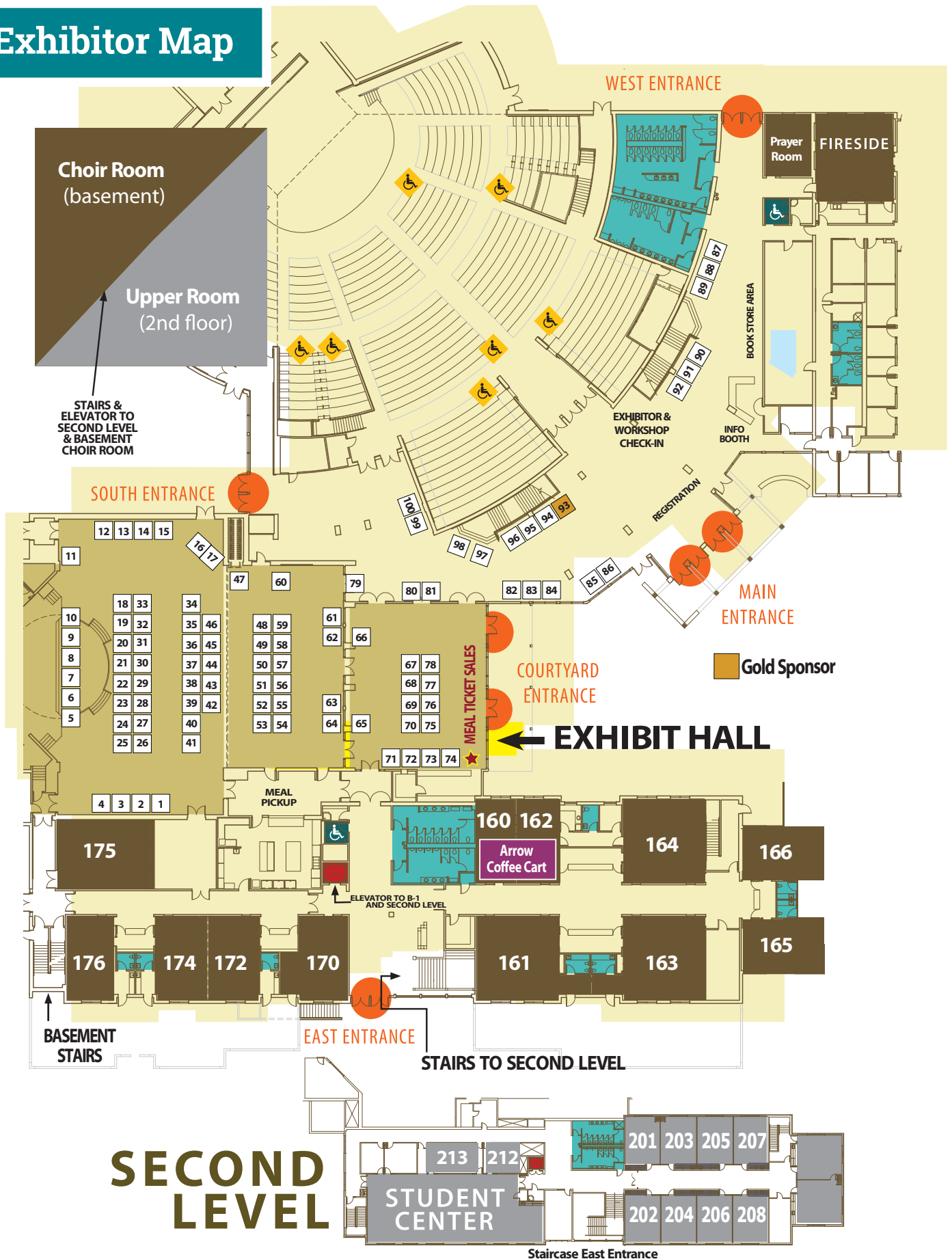
Reid Saunders is inspired by the power of God's Word to touch hearts and change lives. He preached his first evangelistic message at age 22. He graduated from Western Baptist College (Corban University) in 1998, earned a Masters of Divinity - Multnomah Biblical Seminary in 2002, and Doctorate in Global Evangelism in 2022. Reid has preached to millions and traveled to over 100 countries. He is the author of Life to the Fullest, All for Jesus! Making Your Life Count for Christ, and Active8.



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# Exhibitor Map



**Food for purchase:** All meals are \$15 and include a bottle of water

**Friday Dinner**  
**Honey Baked**



**Saturday Lunch**  
**Chick-fil-A**



**Saturday Dinner**  
**Lasagna**



**Available All Weekend**  
**Arrow Coffee Cart**  
Room 160 & 162



**Action International Ministries**  
**Booth #45**

**AFC Travel**  
**Booth #82**

**Africa Inland Mission Int'l (AIM)**  
**Booth #70**

**Africa New Life**  
**Booth #86**

**All Nations**  
**Booth #86**

**Audio Scripture Ministries**  
**Booth #55**

**Be One Together**  
**Booth #47**

**Beyond**  
**Booth #68**

**Bibles For The World**  
**Booth #72**

**Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Company**  
**Booth #93**

**Cairn University**  
**Booth #10**

**Canada Institute of Linguistics**  
**Booth #77**

**Child Evangelism Fellowship of Oregon**  
**Booth #26**

**China Outreach Ministries**  
**Booth #56**

**Christar**  
**Booth #53**

**Coalition For Christian Outreach**  
**Booth #99**

**Corban University**  
**Booth #14**

**Cru - Campus Crusade for Christ**  
**Booth #96 and #97**

**Culture Bound**  
**Booth #39**

**Daystar Baptist Missions**  
**Booth #63**

**East-West Headquarters**  
**Booth #69**

**Ethnos360**  
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**Ethnos360 Aviation**  
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**Genesis Christian Mediation**  
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**Great Commission**  
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**Kontaktmission**  
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**Booth #44**

**Live Dead**  
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**MissionCare Collective**  
**Booth #34**

**Mission Aviation Fellowship**  
**Booth #4**

**MissionSafe**  
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**MissionWorks**  
**Booth #85**

**North America Indigenous Ministries**  
**Booth #81**

**OMF International**  
**Booth #43**

**One Challenge**  
**Booth #20**

**One Mission Society**  
**Booth #50**

**Passion 4 People International**  
**Booth #83**

**Perspectives USA**  
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**Pillar Seminary**  
**Booth #42**

**Pioneer Bible Translators**  
**Booth #76**

**Portland Rescue Mission**  
**Booth #91**

**Prisoners for Christ**  
**Booth #98**

**Quaintness**  
**Booth #36**

**Reading for All - Books and More**  
**Library Amman**  
**Booth #1**

**Reclaim (previously IDEAS)**  
**Booth #33**

**Redeeming the Nations Ministry**  
**Booth #80**

**Reid Saunders Associates**  
**Booth #86**

**Reign Ministries**  
**Booth #32**

**Road 2 Hope Maternity Home**  
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**Sanctuary Inn**  
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**SeedPlayer**  
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**Speakers Booth**  
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**Special Hope Network**  
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**Synergie Francophone**  
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**Talbot School of Theology at Biola University**  
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**Teach One to Lead One**  
**Booth #37**

**TeachBeyond**  
**Booth #17**

**TEAM | The Evangelical Alliance Mission**  
**Booth #65**

**Telios Law PLLC**  
**Booth #16**

**The Ambassadors Forum**  
**Booth #12 and #13**

**The Apologist Project**  
**Booth #95**

**UNIT+E Response**  
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**Village Missions**  
**Booth #66**

**Voice of Christ Media**  
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**WEC International**  
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**Western Seminary**  
**Booth #84**

**World Outreach International**  
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**Youth for Christ International**  
**Booth #40**

# Preconferences & Focus Event

## Mission**Excellence** Standards Introductory Workshop



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## Mission**Connexion** Leadership



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## Mission**Connexion** Short-Term Mission



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FOCUS EVENT

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for more details on  
Short-Term Mission  
Connexion

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FOR YOUTH

Friday - January 16, 2026

OR

Saturday - January 17, 2026

For Jr.Hi - College students from Christian schools, homeschool networks, colleges, youth groups or just individual students.

Friday or Saturday 9:00 - 4:30 PM.  
All Day Training - then attend  
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\$30 per person - Training includes materials & lunch

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## Session 1 Workshops / Friday 5:30 - 6:30 PM

<b>FEATURED WORKSHOP</b> <b>ORIENTATION</b> <b>Making the Most of MissionConnexion</b> <b>Event Steering Team</b> Learn more about Mission Connexion's purpose and approach. Get some help and spend some time designing your strategy for engaging with exhibitors, workshops and plenary sessions and get a tool that will help you capture and crystallize what you learn. <p><b>Room #163</b></p>	<b>APOLOGETICS</b> <b>Is Christianity the Enemy of My Freedom?</b> <b>Shawn Hart</b> <b>The Ambassadors Forum</b> Is Christianity a set of shackles that keeps people from living the good life? Why does it seem so restrictive? Learn to walk with others through this tough conversation in order to make a compelling case for Christ as the only way to access the truly good life. <p><b>Student Center</b></p>	<b>BIBLE TRANSLATION</b> <b>Faith Comes by Hearing... or Does It?</b> <b>Katie Wiseman</b> <b>Pioneer Bible Translators</b> Less than 2% of the world's 70 million Deaf people know God. For millions more, the Gospel remains inaccessible. They often feel unwelcome at the dinner table, holiday celebrations, church and even the Lord's Supper. Sign language Bible translation is changing that. <p><b>Room #207</b></p>	<b>BIBLE TRANSLATION</b> <b>Profit + Purpose... Is It Possible?</b> <b>Robert Bush &amp; Larry Sharpe</b> <b>IBEC Ventures</b> While sustainability is an extremely important objective for every business, making disciples in the workplace is why we do what we do. So... how can you do both when they sometimes seem like they're in opposition to one another? <p><b>Room #165</b></p>
<b>DISABILITY</b> <b>The Lost Great Commission</b> <b>Spencer Miller</b> <b>Joni and Friends</b> Don't neglect the Luke 14 mandate! The parable of the Great Banquet teaches us to go to the margins and bring in the disabled so that God's house will be full. Learn how to intentionally evangelize, disciple and serve people living with disabilities. <p><b>Room #202</b></p>	<b>EVANGELISM</b> <b>Keeping Christ in the Conversation</b> <b>Brad Butcher</b> <b>Passion 4 People</b> Learn how to use simple tools like 3-Stories and 3-Circles in a chill, discovery-style format that makes it easier to connect, share your faith naturally and help those you share with to do the same. It's about real talk that leads to lasting relationships. <p><b>Room #175</b></p>	<b>KEYNOTE SPEAKERS</b> <b>Q&amp;A with Dr. Pam Arlund</b> <b>All Nations International</b> Dr. Pam Arlund of All Nations International is one of our keynote speakers for this year's conference. Want to hear more from her? Come to this informal gathering and bring your questions and comments. <p><b>Room #166</b></p>	<b>MISSIONARY CARE</b> <b>Member Care 101</b> <b>Stan Horrell</b> <b>MissioCare Collective</b> Whether you're just beginning or looking to deepen your involvement, this session will help you build a solid foundation for effectively caring for global workers—so they remain healthy, resilient and fruitful in life and ministry. <p><b>Room #164</b></p>
<b>PRAYER</b> <b>The Prayers God Will Answer</b> <b>James Autry</b> <b>Serving Our Neighbors</b> God hears most, if not ALL of our prayers! But let's explore what prayers God WILL answer and why. Then, we will ONLY pray in such a way that will move His heart and hand. <p><b>Room #201</b></p>	<b>REACHING JEWS</b> <b>How to Raise the Level of Passion for Reaching Jewish People</b> <b>Helen Chan</b> <b>Chinese Christian Mission</b> Explore the importance of Jewish evangelism and learn how you can be part of it through an outreach team in Portland. Learn how to approach Jewish people, build relationships and share the Gospel with them. We will also look at God's promises to Abraham and why Jews are persecuted. <p><b>Room #203</b></p>	<b>REACHING MUSLIMS</b> <b>Engaging Muslims in Migration and Diaspora</b> <b>Dr. Peter Lee</b> <b>Biola University</b> Explore the triad commands of Jesus, the Great Commission, the Great Commandment and the Golden Rule, as a framework for engaging Muslims outside their countries of origin. Then consider a three-level approach to engaging them. <p><b>Room #161</b></p>	<b>SHORT-TERM MISSION</b> <b>Preparing for Your Short-Term Mission Trip</b> <b>Kathy Mort</b> <b>MissionWorks</b> Training is more than preparing logistics or reading a handbook. Join others and learn how pre-field training that is well-designed and implemented can result in people who have servant hearts, are team players and are culturally prepared for service. <p><b>Room #172/174</b></p>



## Session 2 Workshops / Saturday 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

<p><b>FEATURED WORKSHOP</b></p> <p><b>ORIENTATION</b>  <b>Making the Most of MissionConnexion</b>  <b>Event Steering Team</b>  Learn more about Mission Connexion's purpose and approach. Get some help and spend some time designing your strategy for engaging with exhibitors, workshops and plenary sessions and get a tool that will help you capture and crystallize what you learn.</p> <p><b>Room #163</b></p>	<p><b>APOLOGETICS</b>  <b>What Makes Jesus Different?</b>  <b>Nathan Betts</b>  <b>Highlands Community Church</b>  Christianity claims God became human. And here's the thing: the more we dig into this belief, the stranger it seems. This session will zoom in on what makes Jesus Christ who He is and what sets Him apart from the great religions of the world.</p> <p><b>Student Center</b></p>	<p><b>BIBLE TRANSLATION</b>  <b>Can We Use Allah in Bible Translation?</b>  <b>Scott Clark</b>  <b>Wycliffe Bible Translators</b>  Thousands of Muslim majority languages still lack access to God's Word. Some translation challenges raise deep questions with no easy answers. Let's explore them together!</p> <p><b>Room #207</b></p>	<p><b>BUSINESS AS MISSION</b>  <b>BAM Is Traditional Mission Work</b>  <b>James Dirksen</b>  <b>IBEC Ventures</b>  In this session we will dive deep into how Business as Missions is not new, and how the creation of thriving businesses is as old as Christian missions itself.</p> <p><b>Room #165</b></p>
<p><b>DIGITAL MISSIONS</b>  <b>The Great Commission Goes Digital</b>  <b>Natalie Mubita</b>  <b>Switchboard</b>  Stop outsourcing missions to missionaries! Discover practical, actionable ways we can work together to bring the Gospel to all peoples. Through virtual volunteering, every believer can find their unique role in God's global story and help move the Great Commission forward.</p> <p><b>Room #204</b></p>	<p><b>EVANGELISM</b>  <b>Back to the Future of Disciplemaking</b>  <b>Mark Levesque</b>  <b>For His Glory Ministries</b>  What if your church or ministry could create a movement of disciples that multiplies exponentially? Learn the powerful, biblical discipleship strategy that has already helped over 11,000 churches multiply their small groups into more than 569,315 – creating a movement of over 6.1 million disciples.</p> <p><b>Room #175</b></p>	<p><b>EVANGELISM</b>  <b>Compassion Evangelism</b>  <b>Mike Maksimowicz</b>  <b>Ignite the World Ministries</b>  Throughout the world, many unreached people are coming to Christ through compassion evangelism. Come hear amazing stories and testimonies on how unreached people are receiving the Gospel through clean water wells, bags of rice, disaster relief, healing, miracles and love from the one, true God.</p> <p><b>Room #203</b></p>	<p><b>FOUNDATIONS</b>  <b>What Exactly Is the Gospel?</b>  <b>Mike Bell</b>  <b>Healing Nations</b>  Many treat the Gospel as an eternal estate planning policy, a message about personal salvation and the afterlife. But Jesus only used the term "Gospel" in reference to the Kingdom of God and its King coming to earth, a message with big implications for all areas of life and entire nations.</p> <p><b>Room #170</b></p>

## Noontime Gatherings | Saturday | 12:15 - 1:15 PM

### MIDDLE EAST / SANCTUARY

#### Middle East Update

Join us for an inspiring glimpse into God's powerful work across North Africa and the Middle East. National leaders will share firsthand stories of what He is doing in their communities, how the gospel is being made known in remarkable ways, and the bold vision shaping the future of the church. This is a unique opportunity to discover the hope-filled realities you won't hear in the headlines—and to be encouraged by how God is moving in this pivotal region.

No food or drink is allowed in the sanctuary so plan to eat before or after this meeting.

### PERSPECTIVES / CHOIR ROOM

#### Perspectives Alumni Gathering

Join our Northwest Perspectives leaders and Dr. Pam Arlund. Find out what is happening with Perspectives on the World Christian Movement in the Northwest and around the world.

Bring your lunch with you and be inspired!

## Session 2 Workshops / Saturday 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

#### Q&A with Dr. Charles Mugisha Africa New Life Ministries

Dr. Charles Mugisha is one of our keynote speakers for this year's conference. Want to hear more from him? Come to this informal gathering and bring your questions and comments.

Room #166

### LOCAL CHURCH

#### The Journey of a Healthy Church Dan Critchett

#### LifeTeam and N.E.T. Gathering

What are the key components of a healthy church? How is your church doing? How can it be better? Pastors and lay leaders will find this workshop practical and encouraging. With Dan, Stuart Smith and Dennis Blevins, our teaching team has over 100 years of church experience and offers ongoing support.

Room #205

### MISSIONARY CARE

#### Supporting Those Who Serve

#### Eric & Sabrina Walters

#### Core Values Counseling

Missionaries and couples in ministry pour out their lives for others, often at great personal cost. This conversation will offer a compassionate look at how to nurture the marriages and partnerships of those who serve, so they can lead from a place of health and connection.

Room #164

### NEXT GENERATION

#### Signs of Awakening

#### Billy McMahan

#### Africa Inland Mission

Is revival truly breaking out, or are we simply witnessing a series of viral spiritual moments around the world? Together, we will explore how the Church can recognize, discern and actively participate in what God is doing among the next generation.

Room #176

### PRAYER

#### Cultivating Intimacy with God

#### Mark Jones

#### Mannahouse Church

Cultivating intimacy with God is the heartbeat of our faith – not about doing more for Him but about living every day with Him. In this workshop, we'll explore how to draw near to God in the quiet place, experience His love and carry His presence into every part of life and ministry. Come expectant.

Room #201

### REACHING MUSLIMS

#### Bagh Initiative: Pray for Bengalis

#### Jake Embleton

#### MissionConnexion

What kind of impact could multiple churches partnering together make in serving the least reached in the world? This workshop will share more about an exciting initiative unfolding in the Phoenix area.

Room #161

### SHORT-TERM MISSIONS

#### Raising Support for Your

#### Short-Term Mission Trip

#### Greg Von Tobel

#### Prisoners for Christ

Learn proven, practical strategies to raise support for short-term mission trips and lead others to do the same. Participants will gain step-by-step tools for mobilizing financial and prayer partners, plus tips to empower teams and individuals to confidently fund and multiply their mission impact.

Room #172/174

### UNSHAKABLE CHURCH

#### Keys to an Unshakable Church

#### Pastor Adrian Reeves

#### National African American Missions Council

In times of political unrest, decline in church attendance, disengaged youth and a drifting away of sound biblical doctrine, how do churches remain faithful and fruitful in accomplishing the mission of Jesus and His Kingdom? Rediscover what makes churches unshakable in uncertain times.

Room #202

**EXHIBITOR SCAVENGER HUNT**  
• VISIT THIS EXHIBITOR WHO PUTS THE IMPACT OF THEIR MISSIONS TO THE TEST  
• TURN IN TO ENTER TO WIN A PRIZE!

- 1 AID**  
What is the impact of your aid work?  
Exhibitor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Prize: \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 CHILDREN/STUDENTS**  
What is the impact of your work with children/students?  
Exhibitor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Prize: \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 CHURCH PLANTING**  
What is the impact of your church planting work?  
Exhibitor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Prize: \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 COMMUNITY**  
What is the impact of your community work?  
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## Session 3 Workshops / Saturday 1:30 - 2:30 PM

### APOLOGETICS

#### Now What? Using Questions in Gospel Conversations

Ivy Tyson

This workshop will introduce you to three types of questions you can use in all types of situations as you follow God's lead in conversations about faith, life and controversial topics. Come ready to learn and practice!

Student Center

### ARTS

#### Using the Arts to Share the Gospel

Laura Wilson

WEC International

Ever wonder if the creative talents God has given you can be used to share the Gospel? Can painting, drama, music and other arts help bridge the culture gap? Let's look at some of the non-traditional ways to communicate God's love and pitfalls to avoid.

Room #163

### BIBLE TRANSLATION

#### Babel: Division or Multiplication?

Dr. Danny Foster

Canada Institute of Linguistics

Biblical concepts in different languages can teach us a lot more about who God is. This means much of His character has yet to be discovered in language communities that are still waiting to get Scripture! Rediscover familiar Biblical ideas through Kham, Hdi, Kare, Sabaot and Mexican Sign Language.

Room #207

### BUSINESS AS MISSION

#### Preventing Trafficking. Restoring Dignity. Building Sustainability.

Brian Buhler

Reclaim, Nehemiah E-Community

Learn how biblical entrepreneurship restores dignity, enables discipleship and builds sustainable communities—reducing the vulnerabilities that lead to exploitation, displacement and human trafficking.

Room #165

### EVANGELISM

#### Turning Clicks into Kingdom Conversations

Brent Hofen

DMM Catalyst

What if your screen became a sending ground for disciple-makers? Hear how media is being used to find persons of peace and raise catalytic leaders around the world through targeted ads, simple follow-up systems and Spirit-led conversations leading to multiplying disciples.

Room #175

### FOUNDATIONS

#### The Work of the Holy Spirit in the Great Commission

Erwin van Laar

The Great

Commission Foundation

The Holy Spirit is essential to the Great Commission, preparing believers, giving them spiritual gifts for service, and directing their efforts in spreading the gospel. Explore how the Spirit empowers us to be witnesses and fulfill what Jesus commanded.

Room #170

### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

#### Q&A with Reid Saunders

Reid Saunders Association

Reid Saunders is one of our keynote speakers for this year's conference. Want to hear more from him? Come to this informal gathering and bring your questions and comments.

Room #166

### LOCAL CHURCH

#### Growing Workers in Your Local Church

David & Elizabeth Givens

Calvary Church

Cross Training is a robust training program crafted to train and mentor potential global workers with hands on experience in the local church and cross-culturally before they go. The Givens served with SEND International and Liz is on SEND's International Council.

Room #205

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From the first time we gathered at the Palau HQ in Beaverton to dream and wonder how we could mobilize the local church for global outreach the heart of MissionConnexion has always been to glorify God by making disciples of all nations. Now, 25 years later, that heart remains - praise God! As I participated in MissionConnexion the exposure to what God was doing through other Christians to fulfill the Great Commission challenged and strengthened my conviction to be a part of Christ's global cause.

~ Dan Ferguson, Mission mobilizer and member of the first MC Steering Team and first Exec Team member



## Session 3 Workshops / Saturday 1:30 - 2:30 PM

<b>MINISTRY MANAGEMENT</b> <b>Scenarios: Responding to Conflict and Complaints</b> <b>Theresa Sidebotham</b> <b>Telios Law</b> Is your church, business or ministry prepared for conflict? Navigating a workplace complaint effectively is challenging, but responding well can bring healing to all. Join us to participate in a collaborative table-top exercise with peer discussion to practice decision-making in a risk free environment.	<b>MISSIONARY CARE</b> <b>Panel Discussion: The Hidden Cost of Helping Others</b> <b>Panel of Care Providers</b> Panel made up of experts in trauma care and global worker support will discuss vicarious and secondary trauma, the hidden costs of helping others.	<b>NEXT GENERATIONS</b> <b>Creating Buy-in for Next Generation Leaders</b> <b>Billy McMahan</b> <b>Africa Inland Mission</b> Learn how principles from business innovation and the world's fastest-growing Next Gen ministries can help leaders create genuine buy in that moves young leaders from vision to action. Leave with practical tools to bridge inspiration with execution, transforming potential into momentum.	<b>PRAYER</b> <b>Development of a Regional Prayer Team</b> <b>Linda Hanratty</b> <b>Tillamook County Wide Prayer Team</b> Discuss a local church, multi-church and community-wide approach to development of prayer initiatives including development of prayer bridges to support the local communities, following the seven-mountain model. Hear about joys and pitfalls and get some new ideas.
Room #204	Room #164	Room #176	Room #201
<b>REACHING MUSLIMS</b> <b>What Does It Take to Share the Gospel with Muslims?</b> <b>Pastor Sameh Maurice</b> <b>Kasr El-Dobara Evangelical Church</b> Does it seem impossible or intimidating to overcome the barriers and share Jesus with people who follow another religion? You don't have to be an expert. Learn how it's done in the Middle East, with lessons from our special guests from Egypt.	<b>SHORT-TERM MISSIONS</b> <b>Making Your Mission Trip Safer</b> <b>Tory Ruark</b> <b>MissionExcellence</b> Is 2026 the right time to go on a mission trip? While no mission trip is safe, we can make them safer. In this workshop, you'll learn how to understand risk from a Biblical standpoint, assess the risk of a mission trip, and be prepared for crisis that can happen despite the best of planning.	<b>TRAUMA</b> <b>From Flashback to Freedom: Jesus in Trauma</b> <b>Abe Figueroa</b> <b>Charis Counseling Associations</b> Learn how to effectively de-escalate a person who is in distress while increasing connection and building relational safety.	<b>UNSHAKABLE CHURCH</b> <b>Adaptive Leadership for Transition and Transformation</b> <b>Rev. Sonji Pass</b> <b>TMS Global</b> In a world marked by rapid cultural change, God calls leaders to discern His voice, adapt with wisdom and lead with unshakable faith. Discover how to recognize cultural trends, lead faithfully through transition and align your influence with the unshakable Kingdom of God.
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As a mission mobilizer, I found the opportunity to help churches and individuals pursue God's calling in missions significant, and it is a reason I have supported Missions Connexion for 25 years. The increase in missionaries sent from the northwest, the collaboration among churches supporting them, and the growth of mission involvement among people in our churches are hopes realized by all the missions pastors and leaders who dreamed of the possibility of Mission Connexion 25 years ago.

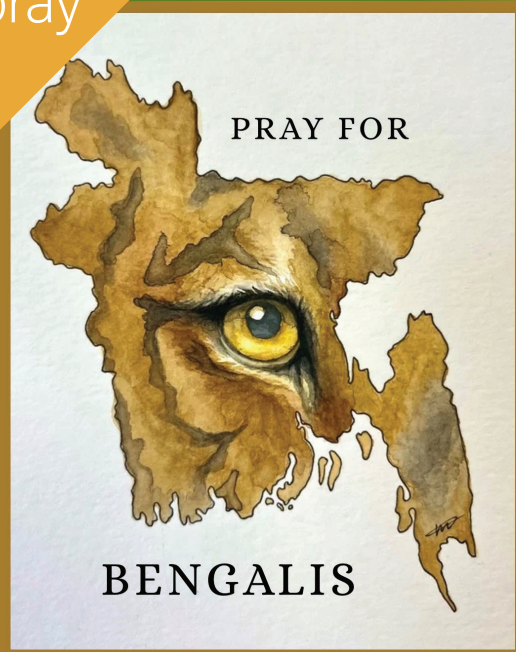
~ John Jordan, Mission mobilizer and member of the first MC Steering Team and first Exec Team member

## Session 4 Workshops / Saturday 5:30 - 6:30 PM

<p><b>FEATURED WORKSHOP</b></p> <p><b>NEXT STEPS</b>  <b>Learn, Pray, Mobilize, Send, Welcome, Go?</b>  <b>Don Parrott, John Jordan and team</b>          Is God stirring you to get more involved in His global purposes? Learn more about six roles, practices or pathways for mission engagement. We'll break into groups to share tips, resources and next steps.</p> <p><b>Student Center</b></p>	<p><b>BUSINESS AS MISSION</b>  <b>Continue Your Career in a Cross-Cultural Setting</b>  <b>Sue Haas</b>  <b>Africa Inland Mission</b>          I was 56 and loved my life in the US when God confirmed a call to go. The eight years I lived in East Africa were some of the most fulfilling and hardest years of my career. Let's talk about how you can take your profession overseas.</p> <p><b>Room #203</b></p>	<p><b>DIGITAL MISSIONS</b>  <b>Serve Anywhere: How to Activate Your Church for Virtual Missions</b>  <b>Natalie Mubita</b>  <b>Switchboard</b>          Too many believers have outsourced The Great Commission to the church staff or missionaries. But the call was given to all of us. This workshop will give your church practical tools, strategies and inspiration to ignite Great Commission engagement.</p> <p><b>Room #204</b></p>	<p><b>EVANGELISM</b>  <b>Sharing Jesus with Courage and Compassion</b>  <b>Daniel Nalley</b>  <b>Gospel Encounter</b>          In a culture of division, believers are called to speak truth in love. We will explore how to navigate hard conversations with wisdom and conviction—boldly addressing controversial issues without compromising character, clarity or witness for Christ.</p> <p><b>Room #175</b></p>
<p><b>LOCAL CHURCH</b>  <b>Six Building Blocks of Trust</b>  <b>Randy Thomas</b>  <b>MissioCare Collective</b>          How does a local church move beyond offering surface-level spiritual and emotional help to its missionaries? What can be done to establish a deep level of trust that allows breakthrough communication?</p> <p><b>Room #205</b></p>	<p><b>MISSIONARY CARE</b>  <b>From Flashback to Freedom: Jesus in Trauma</b>  <b>Brad Peterson</b>  <b>A New Life Christian Counseling</b>          Learn about a Biblically grounded integration method where clients reprocess trauma by placing Jesus inside the memory itself. Like EMDR, this updates neural pathways, transforming suffering into resilience and spiritual victory.</p> <p><b>Room #164</b></p>	<p><b>PRAYER</b>  <b>Responding to Terror with Prayer</b>  <b>Bruce Sidebotham</b>  <b>Adopt a Terrorist for Prayer</b>          What is a Christian response to violent attacks, threats and acts of terror? If our battle is not against flesh and blood, our response should not be fear or outrage, but prayer. Explore what it looks like to respond with a love for others that gives us courage and to seek God for transformation.</p> <p><b>Room #201</b></p>	<p><b>REACHING MUSLIMS</b>  <b>Discipling People from a Muslim Background</b>  <b>Nader Maurice</b>  <b>Kasr El-Dobara Evangelical Church</b>          What happens after a Muslim becomes a follower of Jesus? What do we need to know about persecution and other challenges they may face, and how can we love and support them? Learn from our special guests from Egypt.</p> <p><b>Room #161</b></p>
<p><b>SPIRITUAL WARFARE</b>  <b>What If I Run into a Demon?</b>  <b>Dr. Gerry Breshears</b>  <b>Western Seminary</b>          Knowing the types and limits of satanic stratagems against Christians and the church is essential in our increasingly pagan society. We will develop practical methodologies from a strong Biblical and theological foundation to help people find freedom from bondage.</p> <p><b>Room #170</b></p>	<p><b>UNSHAKABLE CHURCH</b>  <b>Navigating Real-Life Scenarios</b>  <b>Pastor Adrian Reeves</b>  <b>National African American Missions Council</b>          This interactive, scenario-based workshop is designed to challenge participants to respond to real-life scenarios of missionaries and churches as they confront discouragement, division, debt, death and disease while pursuing the Great Commission.</p> <p><b>Room #202</b></p>	<div data-bbox="820 1465 1501 1906">  <p><b>Reaching the Arab World With the Gospel</b></p> </div>	

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What if followers of Jesus united in a way that made us known for service in the most desperate places on Earth—bringing hope to communities hit by typhoons, poverty, and brokenness? What if churches set aside differences and worked side by side to see the Kingdom of God break through in regions that need it most?

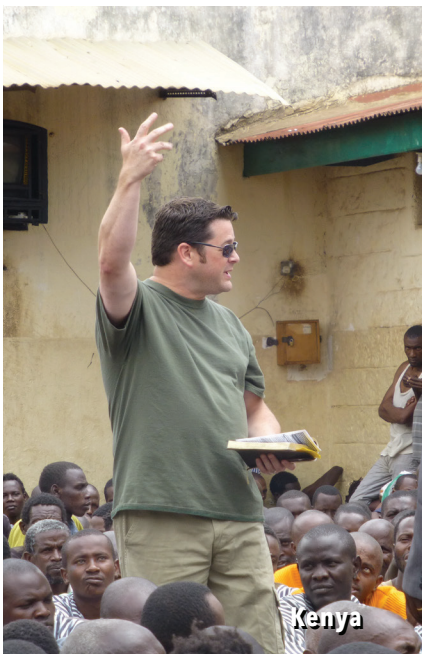
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# Short-Term MissionConnexion Northwest

*Short-Term Mission Connexion is a special ticket that allows you to connect with others planning and leading mission teams. More than just a workshop track, thanks to our sponsors you'll get to sit over free meals and be encouraged as you get to know one another, learn from each other, and develop friendships that will enhance your ministry.*

## Workshop Schedule

*Workshops are open to the public*

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### Friday, Jan 16, 2026 | Workshop Session 1 | Room 172/174 | 5:30-6:30 PM

**Dinner | 5:00-5:30 PM | Ticket holders only** enjoy a free meal thanks to our generous sponsors

**Preparing For Your Short-Term Mission Trip** – Training is more than preparing logistics or reading a handbook. Join others and learn how pre-field training that is well-designed and implemented can result in people who have servant hearts, are team players, and are culturally prepared for service.

**Presenter:** Kathy Mort

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### Saturday, Jan 17, 2026 | Workshop Session 2 | Room 172/174 | 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Raising Support for Your Short-Term Mission Trip** – Learn proven, practical strategies to raise support for short-term mission trips and lead others to do the same. Participants will gain step-by-step tools for mobilizing financial and prayer partners, plus tips to empower teams and individuals to confidently fund and multiply their mission impact.

**Presenter:** Greg Von Tobel

**Lunch | 12:00-1:00 PM | Dinner | 5:00-5:30 PM | Ticket holders only** enjoy a free meal thanks to our generous sponsors

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### Saturday, Jan 17, 2026 | Workshop Session 3 | Room 172/174 | 1:30 - 2:30 PM

**Making Your Next Mission Trip Safer** – Is 2026 the right time to go on a mission trip? While no mission trip is safe, we can make them safer. In this workshop, you'll learn how to understand risk from a biblical standpoint, assess the risk of a mission trip, and how to be prepared for crisis that can happen despite the best of planning.

**Presenters:** Tory Ruark and Bill Pope

**Dinner | 5:00-5:30 PM | Dinner | 5:00-5:30 PM | Ticket holders only** enjoy a free meal thanks to our generous sponsors

## Short-Term MissionConnexion Speakers



**Kathy Mort** | Curriculum and Training, Director, MissionExcellence

Kathy became involved in short-term missions after attending Columbia International University. She has served internationally as a team member, leader, advisor, and educational consultant. She is currently the Training and Curriculum and Training Director for MissionExcellence. She loves working with churches, schools, and organizations to develop and implement their own training programs to equip their short-term teams, so they are a blessing and not a burden. Additionally, Kathy is an adjunct faculty member in the Graduate Education Department at Gordon College. She joined Gordon with over thirty years of experience in K-12 public education as a teacher, professional development coordinator and administrator.



**Greg Von Tobel** | President and Founder, Prisoners for Christ

Greg Von Tobel was a stockbroker for eleven years, from 1978 through 1989, for various firms including E.F. Hutton & Co. and Shearson Lehman Brothers. In 1984, God called Greg to volunteer in prison ministry. Greg launched Prisoners For Christ Outreach Ministries (PFC) five years later on August 4, 1989. On May 14, 1990, God closed one chapter of Greg's life and opened up a whole new chapter by giving up his career as a stockbroker and going into full-time prison ministry. Greg has been married to Rhonda since 1978. They have three children and five grandchildren.



**Ryan Hurlburt** | Assistant Director, CultureLink

Ryan Hurlburt joined CULTURELink in 2011 as a trainer, consultant, and team leader. Ryan has led multiple trips throughout Latin America, Europe, and Africa, with teams comprised of as few as five members and as many as eighty. His laid-back, highly intentional leadership style strategically develops servants to impact the globe as he facilitates seminars, consults with churches and mission organizations, and leads short-term trips for churches and other groups. Originally from Tampa, Ryan is a graduate of Trinity College of Florida with degrees in Biblical Studies and Business & Organizational Leadership. He and his wife, Katharine, have lived in Atlanta since 2009. They have two boys, Asher and Alistair.



**Bill Pope** | President, MissionSafe

As a college student sensing God's call into missions, Bill spent 9 months in Honduras serving with missionaries, then 23 years as a senior pastor personally leading over 50 international and domestic mission trips. As the founder and president of MissionSafe, an insurance broker, we serve churches, ministries, and schools that send thousands of travelers for over 1 million travel days per year. Along with my wife, we annually travel to Albania to serve alongside CRU missionaries sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ with high school and college students.



**Tory Ruark** | Director, MissionExcellence

Tory went on his first mission trip as a freshman in college and it turned his world upside down, developing a passion to disciple others through the life-changing experience of going on a mission trip. He became a missions coach with DELTA Ministries in 2004 and became COO of Standards of Excellence (SOE) in 2016. Tory's seminary education mixed with practical experience in the missions world and as a pastor brings insight that's both biblical and practical. Tory is married to Judy and they have five children: Lucas, Hannah, Malayna, Tyson and Lucy.

Visit [MissionExcellence.global](https://MissionExcellence.global) or connect directly with Kathy Mort at [kmort@missionexcellence.global](mailto:kmort@missionexcellence.global) to learn more about the 7 Standards of Excellence in Short-Term Missions and how to make sure your mission trips honor God, honor your hosts, and honor those you're serving.

Short-Term MissionConnexion wants to thank our sponsors / ManagedMissions and MissionSafe.



## 25 years ago, in November 2000...

there were 20 leaders gathered in the Portland area for a meeting to discuss the idea for an event to help accelerate missions' mobilization through the local church. This was the beginning of collaboration with local churches to bring this event to life. One year later, after a year of fervent prayer by these leaders, a luncheon hosted pastors to officially launch "Missions Fest Northwest", which would eventually become MissionConnexion Northwest.

In January 2002 our first event was held with a fitting theme, "Enlarge Your Borders"! We featured key speakers: Luis Palau, Nard Puygao from Wycliffe in the Philippines, Clive Calver of World Relief, and Pastor David Stevens, and we had 38 exhibits with over 75 workshops.

Over the years, the list of incredible speakers continued: George Verwer, Randy Alcorn, Josh McDowell, Dr. Sameh Maurice, Bob Blincoe, Francis Chan, Bob Goff, York Moore, Sean McDowell and so many more incredible people.

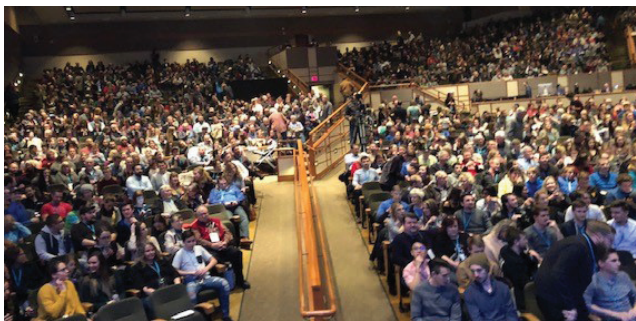
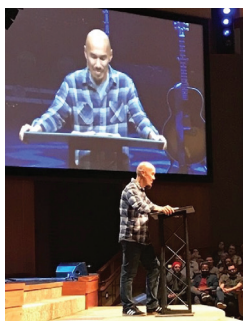
In these years, MissionConnexion Northwest was being used to influence similar city-wide mission events in places like Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Seattle and Spokane, Washington, and mission agency leaders in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

While MissionConnexion Northwest is a free, open to the public event, by 2006, we started developing smaller, fee-based "Connexion events" that allow us to focus on topics in depth, partnering with organizations that specialize in those areas of emphasis, like leadership, missionary care, understanding and outreach to Muslims, support-raising, children, board governance, prayer, students, and short-term missions. A few were offered only once, but most were offered annually over many years.

In 2018 MissionConnexion hosted it's largest gathering with Francis Chan as the lead Keynote Speaker. Then Covid hit and in 2021 MissionConnexion hosted it's first online virtual conference and that same year launched MissionConnexion Southwest in Arizona! We would not be stopped from impacting the church and the world. And out of the pandemic, a 'phoenix rising' happened as MissionConnexion merged with Standards of Excellence to become MissionWorks.

As MissionConnexion Northwest heads into its 25th year, and MissionConnexion Southwest its 5th year, an invitation from the largest evangelical church in the Middle East is extended and some of us traveled to Cairo, and Minya, Egypt to meet with pastors and discuss what shape a possible Middle East MissionConnexion might take and those discussions continue.

We have only just begun ...



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I was eager to be part of something that strengthened the local church's engagement in global outreach. I was also interested in something that equipped church leaders and global outreach teams in their efforts to engage their people. I think what has happened over the last 25 years went way beyond what I could have imagined.”

~ **Dan Larsen**, Mission mobilizer and member of the first MC Steering Team and first Exec Team member



# The Unfinished Story for Youth

Many of those who serve Jesus by living and working in another culture and far from home made that decision when they were very young. We want to capture that zeal and enthusiasm and build on it. The Unfinished Story for Youth (TUSfY) premiered at Mission Connexion Southwest last year in Phoenix and we want to offer that same experience again, both in the southwest and northwest. We are also expanding from one day to two days.

The Unfinished Story for Youth is a one-day experience filled with creative teaching and interaction about God's heart for all peoples. This experience is led by young people who have heard and understand the call to be involved in God's global purpose.

The best path in life is right in the center of God's will and God's passion. We want to help 14-20 year olds understand what God is doing in the world and how to join Him in it.

Last Fall in Phoenix, 75 students and 10 teachers and administrators participated and they loved it. TUSfY uses as a foundation the Perspectives on the World Christian Movement course by looking at four distinct areas: the biblical, historical, cultural and strategic aspects of the great commission. Of course, in only one day we can only crack open the door to all that God is doing. But students who attend TUSfY seem to "get it" and that leads to a greater pursuit of God's purpose through their church, youth group, Christian school, and/or their own reading and engagement and other places. It's a BIG START.

## FOCUS EVENT



We are offering The Unfinished Story for Youth on **Friday, January 16 & Saturday, January 17** (two different groups) at **Mission Connexion Northwest** to be held at **Sunset Church (Portland, off the 26 West)** from 9-4:30. We encourage students to stay for the evening kick-off of Mission Connexion as well. Our target audience for Friday is Christian schools, homeschoolers or homeschool networks and individual students.

On Saturday, our target audience are youth groups, and individual students. The cost is \$30 per student and includes all materials, refreshments and lunch. For every 10 tickets purchased together, two free tickets will be given for youth group leaders to participate. Please help us spread the word about this exciting opportunity for today's youth.

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# Taking “Next Steps” after MissionConnexion Northwest

The world's problems can seem overwhelming and daunting at times. As followers of Jesus, we desire to jump in and serve but many times we struggle with questions of where do I serve? How? What capacity? Will I have enough time? Can I use my work-related skills and gifts to bless others? This conference is designed with the desire to help you to have clarity and discernment in where you believe God may be leading you.

Some people are sure of their missions-related role and that is great. We hope you find a number of resources to help you on your journey. Others are not sure of what their role is at this stage of life and for the future.

Those of us working together for this conference are committed to see tangible, God-honoring results. We have been praying regularly that God

would use this time to speak to you and that you would then take the “next steps” as a result of this time together. We have identified six areas of missions-related roles that are possible “next steps”. Learner, Pray-er, Mobilizer, Sender, Welcomer and Goer. In order to make this as practical as possible we have scheduled a time block for each person to attend a workshop on these six areas.

Our prayer and desire is that each person would be seeking God's direction while going through the various areas of this workshop, giving some prayerful thought to which of these six callings would be the best fit.

More will be explained during the conference. Included below are some questions that may help in determining your possible “next steps”.

## These will be covered on Saturday at 5:30 PM in the Student Center

**Am I a Learner...** with a sense that God is leading me to a future Great Commission role but realizing that right now I need to be serious about deepening my relationship with Jesus, studying and learning from the word of God and learn “...what is God doing in the world today...” while seeking what role He has for me to reach the unreached for Christ.

**Am I a Pray-er...** with a God-given passion to pray for the unreached, to pray for more workers for the harvest, to pray for the workers I know, to pray for God's will to be done on earth with a willingness to make prayer a priority time commitment?

**Am I a Mobilizer...** with a great desire to help people find their calling, encourage others, help them with guidance, direction, and a listening ear, willing to pray with them and for them, stand with them in their difficulties and their victories and help see the local church mobilized into greater service for the Kingdom of God?

**Am I a Sender...** with a great concern for the lost of this world, a desire to use my resources to see people be sent to share the gospel and willingness to learn to sacrifice in order that the good news of Jesus' love and redemption can be sent out around the world?

**Am I a Welcomer...** with a passion to engage with people who are coming to America from other cultures, to see this as a way to show the love of Jesus and to share with them the plan of salvation, to commit my time and energy to these relationships, seeing this as the same level of commitment made by those called to minister in another country and culture?

**Am I a Goer...** with a willingness to humble myself, to learn how to lovingly and sacrificially cross cultures to live in such a way so others can hear the good news of Jesus, being passionate for the cause of Christ, purposeful and determined to be obedient—no matter what the cost—and willing to prepare well?

# What is the “PURPOSE” of MissionConnexion Northwest

*The purpose of MissionConnexion Northwest is to serve church communities  
in taking steps of obedience to fulfill the Great Commission*

The MissionConnexion staff seeks to provide an opportunity that churches can use to challenge their people to be part of God's command to make disciples of all peoples.

As such, one of the aspects of this unique weekend is to challenge each participant to prayerfully consider what role God might have for them in seeing that our entire world hears the great message of Jesus. And we know that not everyone is being called to go to other parts of the world to share this message...in fact, there are several important roles we can play to fulfill this commission:

Those who go, GOERS, those who welcome those God brings to our areas, WELCOMERS, those who help send the goers, SENDERS, those who are committed to praying for these messengers, PRAY-ERS, those who challenge others to consider some missions-related role, MOBILIZERS, and finally those who say they need to learn more about possible roles for them, LEARNERS.

Each year there are a number of people who, after attending the Next Step session, want to seriously pursue God's direction. We follow up with them to be of help and encouragement as they take those “Next Steps”.

Below is a comment from an attender of MissionConnexion:

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*“Since attending MissionConnexion last year, God has been working on my heart. I was comfortable going to church once a week and relying on the leadership to feed me. Now I see that the Body is for each other, we are to encourage one another, pray for one another and serve one another. We all have gifts and talent given to us by our Father and we are to strengthen the Body for His glory. He opened the door to attend the MCSW last year. The people I met, the conversations I have had, the encouragement and exposure to the truth has opened my heart and understanding that there is a greater purpose than simply playing the role of the ‘good’ Christian. My life is not my own, I have been bought with a price and the Great Commission is for all believers. Since then, my time talking with Him, reading His Word and in prayer has gone far beyond what my past experiences have ever been. We have been called to be disciples that make disciples that make disciples. We are given a higher calling and greater purpose than merely attending church. I encourage all believers, lose your life, lose yourself and become more like your Savior. Get out of your comfort zone, seek His face, seek His heart find where you can serve Him and His Body”. - Chris*

*Because of the importance of knowing and fulfilling God's purposes in our lives, we have dedicated time on Saturday at 5:30 PM for each of us to take part in whichever ‘next step’ we sense is appropriate for us at this particular time in our lives. We encourage you to make this a priority during this conference.*



Visit the 100 Exhibiting organizations (see map pgs. 6 – 7)

#### SPEAKER BOOTHS #86

##### Africa New Life



#### AFRICA NEW LIFE

Africa New Life Ministries exists to communicate the message of Jesus Christ in word and deed, to Africa and all the nations. This ministry will help all peoples to know about the relationship with God available to them through belief in Jesus as Savior. This will be accomplished by providing access to education, leadership training, and healthcare; through church planting and Christian discipleship; and through holistic care for vulnerable children, and women and men in need.

[www.africanewlife.org](http://www.africanewlife.org)

##### All Nations



#### ALL NATIONS

All Nations is a global family on mission to see Jesus worshiped by all peoples on earth. We train, support, and send people to make disciples and train leaders to ignite church planting movements among the neglected peoples of the earth. We are looking for people who want to make disciples in hard places and join like-minded community. At our core, we know every believer has a part to play in seeing Kingdom reality touch the earth, and want to equip powerful senders, prayers, and go-ers!

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##### Reid Saunders Association



#### REID SAUNDERS ASSOCIATION

Reid Saunders Association exists to bring the Gospel to unreached places – regions with less than 15% of believers. Since 2002, RSA has partnered with believers to proclaim the Good News worldwide through outreach festivals and TV broadcasting. Over the last 23 years, Reid and his team have proclaimed the message of salvation to more than 5 million people. Reid Saunders has spent the last two decades uniting and training thousands of churches worldwide through his trademark message, "All for Jesus!"

[www.reidsaunders.org](http://www.reidsaunders.org)

##### Talbot School of Theology at Biola University



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Talbot School of Theology at Biola University has been preparing men and women for over 65 years to serve faithfully in a world in need. Whether your calling takes you locally or globally, Talbot equips you for Spirit-led missions, ministry and transformative service. At Talbot, you'll be biblically faithful, culturally engaged, spiritually sensitive, and ministry-ready—prepared to bring God's truth and love wherever He calls you, whether on mission across the globe or serving your local church.

[www.biola.edu/talbot](http://www.biola.edu/talbot)

##### Booth #1

##### Reading for All - Books and More Library Amman

Books and More in Amman, Jordan, is a unique community center hosting the nation's inaugural public access library. With over 35,000 books and resources, it offers diverse services like conversational English, kids' activities, family events, art classes, and medical resources such as eye clinics and seminars. Beyond being a library, it serves as a bridge uniting people of various backgrounds, aiming to bring Hope, Peace, Truth, and Light to the region by breaking societal barriers.

[www.projectjordan.org](http://www.projectjordan.org)

##### Booth #2

##### SIM USA

Established by prayer over 130 years ago as Sudan Interior Mission, SIM USA is part of an international mission organization dedicated to proclaiming the Gospel, responding to need and equipping the local church in over 70 countries around the world. Our founders were convinced that no one should live and die without hearing God's good news, and this still compels us today as we go to communities where He is least known.

[www.simusa.org](http://www.simusa.org)

##### Booth #3

##### Healing Nations

Healing Nations is like an outsourced missions department; connecting churches and groups to vetted international partners for compassion projects, missionary support and medical care. We handle team leading, training and project management, freeing churches up to think about love instead of logistics.

[www.healingnations.org](http://www.healingnations.org)

##### Booth #4

##### Mission Aviation Fellowship

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[www.maf.org](http://www.maf.org)

##### Booth #6

##### Genesis Christian Mediation

Conflict left unaddressed, in any relationship, has an impact. The costs can be devastating. With diverse and extensive experience in caring for people, our firm deeply understands the challenges and emotional toll conflict can bring. Our mediation process is designed to provide a safe and compassionate space for healing and repair. We are dedicated to supporting relationships in crisis through proven conflict management and communication strategies. Together, we can work toward finding peace.

[genesischristianmediation.com](http://genesischristianmediation.com)

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**Booth #7**  
**Sanctuary Inn**

Our mission is to equip, refresh and restore global workers for kingdom purposes. We do this through community life, debriefing, and healing prayer. We have had nearly 500 missionary guests over the last 8 years serving in over 40 countries  
[www.sanctuaryinn.org](http://www.sanctuaryinn.org)

**Booth #8**  
**Great Commission**

Fulfilling the Great Commission through collaboration. The Great Commission is a team of skilled administrative and accounting personnel dedicated to using their talents and expertise to enable people to follow God's calling to fulfill the Great Commission of Jesus Christ.  
[www.thegc.org/us](http://www.thegc.org/us)

**Booth #10**  
**Cairn University**

Cairn University exists to educate students to serve Christ in the church, society, and the world as biblically minded, well-educated, and professionally competent men and women of character. Cairn offers graduate and undergraduate programs in business, divinity, liberal arts and sciences, counseling, education, music and more – available both on campus in Bucks County, PA and online everywhere.  
[www.cairn.edu](http://www.cairn.edu)

**Booth #11**  
**MissionSafe**

MissionSafe partners with churches, individuals, organizations, and travel agents to provide tailored travel insurance solutions. We support travelers facing illness or injury, disasters or delays, whether on domestic or international trips. Our services provide peace of mind, ensuring you're prepared for the unexpected while away from home.  
[www.missionsafe.com](http://www.missionsafe.com)

**Booth #12**  
**The Ambassadors Forum**

The Ambassadors Forum - youth apologetics ministry local to Portland.  
[www.theambassadorsforum.com](http://www.theambassadorsforum.com)

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**Booth #14**  
**Corban University**

At Corban University, students thrive in a gospel-centered community as they pursue academic excellence and Christian maturity. Through on-campus and online bachelor's and master's degrees, students are equipped to become competent, caring, Christ-followers who can make a difference in the world for Jesus Christ through meaningful careers as business leaders, educators, medical professionals, ministry leaders, and more.  
[www.corban.edu](http://www.corban.edu)

**Booth #15**  
**Synergie Francophone**

Synergie Francophone provides Bibles and Christian books to French-speakers without access to them in almost 50 countries. We send short-term and long-term workers and teams.  
[www.SynergieFrancophone.org](http://www.SynergieFrancophone.org)

**Booth #16**  
**Telios Law PLLC**

Telios Law provides legal counsel that preserves vision and protects without compromising beliefs. It creates legal solutions that can help solve conflicts in ways that heal people and preserve their vision, and protect from liability. People are happier and healthier when they are legally protected, have a good workplace culture, and preserve their core beliefs.  
[www.telioslaw.com](http://www.telioslaw.com)

**Booth #17**  
**TeachBeyond**

TeachBeyond is reaching the nations through education! With locations in over 80 countries, there are countless opportunities to be a part of Kingdom work around the world, serving full-time overseas, part-time from your home, or short-term on a school break. Education open doors for the Gospel around the world, and we invite you to be part of this exciting work!  
[www.teachbeyond.org](http://www.teachbeyond.org)

**Booth #18**  
**SeedPlayer**

Partnering with other ministries to deliver Gospel content in thousands of languages with \$10 solar or USB-charged audio players in many colors. Simple, multi-level navigation allows vast content, including Bibles, storying, teaching, dramatic narrative, and music. Ideal for the blind, shut-ins, soldiers, the homeless, children, prisoners – and the majority of the world who prefer oral learning.  
[www.SeedPlayer.org](http://www.SeedPlayer.org)

**Booth #20**  
**One Challenge**

One Challenge exists to help the global church be healthy, grow, multiply, and send missionaries around the world. In addition, our workers are involved in sports ministry, member health, research, and many other roles.  
[www.onechallenge.org](http://www.onechallenge.org)



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## Booth #25

### Island Reach Alliance

Island Reach Alliance exists to provide a lifeline across the islands of Melanesia—where compassion meets efficiency. We are building an 80-foot catamaran that will support Bible translation, scripture recording, medical missions, and disaster relief, reaching communities that are otherwise inaccessible. Every voyage delivers practical aid, spiritual hope, and sustainable solutions that honor indigenous cultures.

[www.islandreachalliance.org](http://www.islandreachalliance.org)

## Booth #26

### Child Evangelism Fellowship of Oregon, Inc

Child Evangelism Fellowship® (CEF®), is a Bible-centered, interdenominational, worldwide organization, composed of born-again believers whose purpose and mission are to evangelize boys and girls with the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, disciple them in the Word of God, and establish them in a Bible-believing church for Christian living. CEF partners with churches by providing training and resources to reach children in the community for Christ.

[www.ceforegon.org](http://www.ceforegon.org)

## Booth #27

### Kontaktmission

Send. Plant. Multiply. is our mission, especially in Europe! Kontaktmission sends missionaries from over 40 countries to serve in over 60 countries around the world. We help new missionaries do what God is asking them to do serving alongside existing local churches, church leaders, and believers. We will also help your local church connect with European fields and new missionaries.

[www.GoKMUSA.org](http://www.GoKMUSA.org)

## Booth #32

### Reign Ministries

Reign Ministries exists to build and advance the Kingdom of God by developing youth and youth leaders who have Great Commandment hearts and live Great Commission lifestyles. For over forty years, we have discipled youth and trained youth workers for a lifetime of ministry. We seek to expose students to the world's burning need for a Savior, equip them to make disciples, ignite in them a passion to serve, and send them home to be actively involved in ministry and impact their world for Christ.

[www.reignministries.org](http://www.reignministries.org)

## Booth #33

### Reclaim (previously IDEAS)

Reclaim is a Christian, global nonprofit committed to helping individuals and communities flourish by removing barriers to dignity. Working in regions like North Africa, Asia, the Middle East, and Latin America, Reclaim partners with local communities to address needs in areas such as education, health, agriculture, disability services, and anti-trafficking efforts. Rooted in listening and collaboration, their work fosters life-giving spaces where people can thrive

[www.reclaimwithus.org](http://www.reclaimwithus.org)

## Booth #34

### MissioCare Collective



MissioCare Collective

MissioCare Collective builds relationship with the cross-cultural workers, sending and supporting churches, and missionary sending organizations - bringing an excellent care system to those God has called into cross-cultural Kingdom assignments. We're a gospel-centered team that walks with global workers through every season of their calling. By offering spiritual care, practical resources, and relational support, we help global workers thrive—so the mission doesn't just go forward, it flourishes.

[www.missiocarecollective.org](http://www.missiocarecollective.org)

## Booth #35

### World Outreach International

World Outreach is a global community existing to evangelize and disciple unreached people groups, equipping them to disciple their own and other people. We make disciples through REACH: Raising Leaders, Evangelism and Discipleship, All Nations Mobilization, Children's Ministry and Humanitarian Aid.

[www.world-outreach.com](http://www.world-outreach.com)

## Booth #36

### Quaintmess

Quaintmess comes alongside our brothers and sisters in Christ to help "carry their burdens". We do this through discipleship support, as well as, helping with short and long-term needs.

[www.quaintmess.com](http://www.quaintmess.com)

## Booth #37

### Teach One to Lead One

Teach One to Lead One® (T1L1) is a community mentoring program that teaches universal principles to lead students at risk into a life of purpose and potential. Principles such as respect, integrity, courage, teamwork, self-control, humility, excellence, compassion, enthusiasm, and honor. The Teach One to Lead One® program is delivered to schools through certified mentors and a proven leadership and character development curriculum.

[www.t1l1.org](http://www.t1l1.org)



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**Booth #38****Forward Edge International**

Forward Edge is a Christ-centered nonprofit partnering with local leaders to help children and families overcome poverty. Through Christ-centered holistic care, we meet physical needs while nurturing spiritual, emotional, and educational growth. Mission teams join long-term programs across eight countries, serving alongside local visionaries and building relationships that reflect God's love and bring lasting transformation.

[www.forwardedge.org](http://www.forwardedge.org)

**Booth #39****CultureBound**

CultureBound's culture and language training serves mission agencies, refugee ministries, short term missions, and mission trainers around the world. We would love to help you build a bridge to the people you are serving!

[www.culturebound.org](http://www.culturebound.org)

**Booth #40****Youth for Christ International**

Youth for Christ is a worldwide Christian movement working with young people around the globe. Motivated by our own faith, we give young people everywhere the opportunity to be followers of Jesus Christ.

[www.YFCI.org](http://www.YFCI.org)

**Booth #41****Here For Kids International**

Here For Kids International is dedicated to serving vulnerable children in Latin America through sports and activities. Our mission is to provide participants the opportunity to discover the eternal joy of service by collaborating with partner organizations to meet the physical and spiritual needs of underserved children and communities around the world. We are blessed to be a blessing – visit us to learn how to join one of our upcoming International Service Trips in Latin America!

[www.hereforkids.org](http://www.hereforkids.org)

**Booth #42****Pillar Seminary**

Pillar Seminary is a global, non-residential seminary that provides accessible, graduate-level theological education virtually. Its mission is to equip Christian leaders to effectively serve in their own cultural contexts. Emphasizing practical, biblically sound training, the seminary focuses on developing leaders who are already actively engaged in ministry. Through its degree programs and non-credit classes, it brings biblical fluency to all in order to change the world.

[www.pillarseminary.org](http://www.pillarseminary.org)

**Booth #43****OMF International**

OMF International aims to share the good news of Jesus Christ in all its fullness with East Asia's peoples to the glory of God. We work in East Asia and among East Asian diaspora around the world.

[www.omf.org/us/](http://www.omf.org/us/)

**Booth #44****Life in Messiah**

Share God's heart for the Jewish People.

[www.lifeinmessiah.org](http://www.lifeinmessiah.org)

**Booth #45****Action International Ministries**

Action International Ministries (ACTION) is a global mission agency committed to sending multinational workers who treasure Jesus Christ and minister His Gospel in word and deed as commanded in the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19). Over 400 workers across more than 40 countries, alongside numerous national team members and partners, bring the hope of the Gospel to the world through evangelism, discipleship, and development.

[www.actioninternational.org](http://www.actioninternational.org)

**Booth #46****UNIT+E Response**

UNIT+E was founded to respond to some of the world's most difficult situations. From undercover operations to rescue victims of trafficking to distributing resources in the midst of war torn communities, stepping in to serve as activists in the areas where few are willing to venture into is at the heart of the organization.

[www.uniteresponse.org](http://www.uniteresponse.org)

**Booth #47****Be One Together**

Our mission is to engage all cultures by living out God's Word together in outreach, discipleship, and mobilization to share His love globally.

[www.beonetgether.com](http://www.beonetgether.com)

**Booth #48****Global Radio Outreach**

Supplying blogging websites and Internet streams (Internet Radio Stations) and other relevant technology to indigenous workers, in order to reach Muslims worldwide for Christ.

[www.globalradiooutreach.org](http://www.globalradiooutreach.org)

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~ Gary Cowles, Mission mobilizer and member of the first MC Steering Team and first Exec Team member

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## Booth #49

### Joni and Friends



The mission of Joni and Friends is to glorify God as we communicate the Gospel and mobilize the global church to evangelize, disciple, and serve people living with disability. We envision a world in which every person living with disability finds hope, dignity, and their place in the body of Christ.

[www.joniandfriends.org/northwest](http://www.joniandfriends.org/northwest)

## Booth #50

### One Mission Society



OMS focuses on engaging the one to reach the many by multiplying disciples, churches, leaders, and missionaries. We believe that the power of the Gospel in the hands of disciple-makers will transform nations. OMS has over 300 missionaries and national partners throughout Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe/Middle East, and Latin America/Caribbean regions, making a global impact in 78 nations.

[www.onemissionsociety.org](http://www.onemissionsociety.org)

## Booth #51

### IBEC Ventures

Since 2006, IBEC Ventures has been providing coaching expertise for Kingdom businesses all over the world that desire to attain sustainability and implement an intentional disciple-making strategy within the business. For IBEC's clients, the business is the ministry!

[www.ibecventures.com](http://www.ibecventures.com)

## Booth #52

### iTEE Global

iTEE Global's mission is to bring biblical education to pastors who lack access to it. With internet and face-to-face classes, using live facilitators and interactive teaching, we provide practical seminary training to Christian leaders across the world.

[www.iteeg.org](http://www.iteeg.org)

## Booth #53

### Christar

Christar exists to cultivate Christ-honoring transformation within unreached communities around the world, by establishing churches where Jesus is not known, worshiped or shared yet.

[www.christar.org](http://www.christar.org)

## Booth #54

### InterAct Ministries

InterAct Ministries is a family with a passion for some of the least-reached communities on earth. For over 70 years God has faithfully led InterAct to make disciples and impact indigenous communities in the region we serve across Alaska, western Canada and Siberia. We live in the communities we serve, seeking to learn their culture, language and values. We build relationships and find opportunities to lead people to God's Word and share the gospel. Discover how you can make a difference!

[www.interactministries.org](http://www.interactministries.org)

## Booth #55

### Audio Scripture Ministries

Connecting people to God's Word in their own heart language, so all will hear!

[www.audioscripture.org](http://www.audioscripture.org)

## Booth #56

### China Outreach Ministries

China Outreach Ministries (COM) has been reaching Chinese students and scholars in U.S. university communities since the late 1980's. Each year thousands are introduced to the gospel. Chinese students and scholars are eager to make American friends and eager for opportunities to experience American culture. COM staff and volunteers offer loving relationships, cultural experiences, acts of service, and the Word of God.

[www.chinaoutreach.org](http://www.chinaoutreach.org)

## Booth #57

### Voice of Christ Media

Voice of Christ Media Ministries equips Persian speakers worldwide with the teaching of God's Word, through the production and distribution of content for radio, internet, mobile phones, satellite, social media, and podcasts. We offer follow-up so that individuals trust Christ as Savior, mature in their faith, and contribute to the growth of the Church. Persian-speakers are located in the heart of the "10-40 Window" and include 30 million Afghans who are some of the least reached in the world.

[www.voiceofchristmedia.org](http://www.voiceofchristmedia.org)

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#### Booth #58

##### Ethnos360 Aviation

Ethnos360 Aviation's core purpose is to assist the church planting ministries of Ethnos360 and likeminded ministries through the use of aviation to achieve the goal of a thriving church for every people. As missionaries work year after year, Ethnos360 Aviation sustains them, bringing food, supplies, translation and church planting consultants, flying medical evacuations or commodities for the village people and in times of drought, flood, and other natural disasters, the plane brings relief.

[www.ethnos360aviation.org](http://www.ethnos360aviation.org)

#### Booth #59

##### Ethnos360

Motivated by the love of Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, Ethnos360 exists to assist the ministry of the local church through the mobilizing, equipping and coordinating of believers to evangelize unreached people groups, translate the Scriptures and see indigenous churches established that glorify God.

[www.ethnos360.org](http://www.ethnos360.org)

#### Booth #60

##### WEC International

WEC International's heart-beat is "Taking the Good News to those who haven't yet heard." We seek to share the good news, encourage people to come to Jesus and grow into a body of believers that completes the circle by going out and sharing with others. We believe the local church is a vital partner for seeing this accomplished. Prayer is a priority and dependance on God is our foundation. We have both short and long term opportunities in over 80 countries.

[www.wec-usa.org](http://www.wec-usa.org)

#### Booth #61

##### International Students Inc

ISI partners with local churches and Christian individuals to offer unconditional friendship, hospitality, and service to international students and visiting scholars in the name of Christ. These future influencers are much easier to reach with the gospel when they're here than in their own countries. We have a strategic opportunity to impact nations (even restricted ones) without even leaving our own cities!

[www.isiportland.org](http://www.isiportland.org)

#### Booth #62

##### Road 2 Hope

Road 2 Hope Maternity Homes exists to provide housing, help, and hope to pregnant women and their children.

[www.road2hopepdx.org](http://www.road2hopepdx.org)

#### Booth #63

##### Daystar Baptist Missions

Daystar is a full service missions organization. Primarily, we are a sending organization that focuses on sending career missionaries to international locations. We also offer short-term mission trips and internships.

[www.dbmi.org](http://www.dbmi.org)

#### Booth #64

##### Live Dead

Live Dead exists to do church planting among unreached people groups in teams.

[www.livedead.org](http://www.livedead.org)



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#### Booth #65

##### TEAM | The Evangelical Alliance Mission

TEAM is global missions organization that partners with the local churches to send global workers and plant missional churches around the world. Our global workers have a passion to go where the most people have the greatest need. They serve through church planting, community development, healthcare, justice ministries, education, business as mission and more. We offer ST, college internships, MT and LT opportunities to serve in more than 40 countries around the world.

[www.team.org](http://www.team.org)

#### Booth #66

##### Village Missions

A Bible-centered mission committed to helping country churches thrive. We partner with country churches across the US and Canada. We focus on communities where a Gospel witness is tenuous. We partner with these churches to place spiritually qualified missionary pastors, at the invitation of the congregation. They serve in a full-time capacity, preaching the Word and loving the people. We support the missionary and church through prayer, in-person coaching, financial and logistical assistance.

[www.villagemissions.org](http://www.villagemissions.org)

#### Booth #67

##### Perspectives USA

Perspectives is a discipleship course and a global movement that is awakening the Body of Christ to pursue the fulfillment of God's global purpose within every people group for His glory.

[www.perspectives.org](http://www.perspectives.org)

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## Booth #68 Beyond

We catalyze Disciple Making Movements to transform Unreached People Groups. We launch apostolic teams to equip everyday men, women and children to disciple their own people directly, quickly and exponentially. Lives and whole communities are transformed by disciples making disciples in what can only be called a movement of God.

[www.beyond.org](http://www.beyond.org)

## Booth #69 East-West Headquarters

### EAST WEST

East-West Ministries exists to glorify God by making disciples in spiritually darkest places.

[www.eastwest.org](http://www.eastwest.org)

## Booth #70 Africa Inland Mission International (AIM)

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Africa Inland Mission has been leading people into meaningful cross-cultural ministry for more than 125 years. We send workers throughout Africa and among African diaspora around the globe. We're engaged with over 100 unreached people groups and have hundreds of opportunities to join in. The work is often as diverse as the gifts that each member brings, but all of our activities fit within three broad areas of focus: Disciple-making among the unreached, Equipping and Mobilizing African churches, Serving and supporting the above.

[www.us.aimint.org](http://www.us.aimint.org)

## Booth #71 Jessup University

For Christ-followers desiring to make their mark without compromising their faith, Jessup University is the only fully accredited, private liberal arts university centrally located in Northern California that offers a wide-range of programs anchored to the belief that faith & knowledge are not at odds. We shape people of influence through experiential learning, spiritual formation and the development of redemptive critical thinking within a vibrant community and personalized education experience.

[www.jessup.edu/seminary](http://www.jessup.edu/seminary)

## Booth #72 Bibles For The World

Bibles For The World is a catalyst for individual and cultural transformation through the power of Jesus Christ and His Word. Scriptures are printed and distributed in regions where there is little or no access to the Bible. Christ-centered education is provided for young people in India through the Partner Parents' (sponsorship) program, as well as medical care through Siemat Christian Hospital and village medical camps to people in poverty.

[www.biblesfortheworld.org](http://www.biblesfortheworld.org)

## Booth #73 SOM International



Internationally serving leaders who risk much for Jesus, SOM International network consists of kindred-hearted national leaders who assist each other to advance the Gospel. These leaders have a "spirit of martyrdom." They trust God to lead them in effective outreach in restricted and hostile regions. They are "boots on the ground", credible witnesses of Jesus, who demonstrate faith by leading lives of courage, and leaders discipling other leaders in regions that have limited or no access to the Word of God.

[www.spiritofmartyrdom.com](http://www.spiritofmartyrdom.com)

## Booth #74 Interserve USA



Interserve is an international community of Christ-following professionals, committed to being servants for the hard places. We have been working in the Middle East, North Africa and Asia for 170 years. We have well-established teams of individuals from over 20 nations who support each other while serving in healthcare, local business and government support roles, working alongside the local people for the good of the community.

[www.interserveusa.org](http://www.interserveusa.org)



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**Booth #75****SonSet Solutions**

SonSet Solutions provides technology-based solutions to advance the gospel worldwide. We do this in three core technology areas; broadcast radio which includes solar-powered SonSet Radios receivers, SonSetLink remote monitors for clean water systems, and power solutions which include Solar Ministry Toolkits and solar energy installations.

[www.sonsetsolutions.org](http://www.sonsetsolutions.org)

**Booth #76****Pioneer Bible Translators**

Our goal isn't just translation, but transformation. We bring people to Jesus through Bible translation, church planting, and discipleship. "Pioneer" reflects our mission to reach the least-reached—those marginalized, in hard-to-access places, and the Deaf. By combining Bible translation and church planting, we're uniquely equipped to reach language groups with no church and no Scripture.

[www.pioneerbible.org](http://www.pioneerbible.org)

**Booth #77****Canada Institute of Linguistics**

Canada Institute of Linguistics (CanIL) integrates scholarship with linguistics in service to language communities worldwide. We provide a wide range of applied linguistics training with specialties in descriptive linguistics, language survey, Bible translation, orthography development, literacy development, and language documentation.

[www.canil.ca](http://www.canil.ca)

**Booth #78****Special Hope Network**

Mission: Special Hope Network exists to bring glory to God by creating a world where all kids are valued. We impact communities by improving care for kids with intellectual disabilities. This starts by equipping families and caregivers to provide these children with a loving home, holistic health care, and exceptional education and therapies. Vision: We imagine a world where every child has access to home, health, and education.

[www.specialhopenetwork.org](http://www.specialhopenetwork.org)

**Booth #79****GraceWay Radio**

GraceWay Radio is a one-of-a-kind station that is dedicated to the transmission of true worship and Spirit-inspired messages. Our station is completely listener-supported.

[www.gracewayradio.com](http://www.gracewayradio.com)

**Booth #80****Redeeming the Nations Ministries**

RTNM shares the Gospel Message to the unreached, Arabic speaking world through digital media. We believe that every individual should have an opportunity to hear the Good News in their mother tongue. We will not stop at sharing the good news through satellite, social media, & the internet—we also aim to create opportunities for individuals to be discipled one-on-one. Discipleship starts with the church; so here at RTNM we believe it's important to equip believers on how to share the gospel with Muslims. Together we will make Jesus known.

[www.rtnm.org](http://www.rtnm.org)

**Booth #81****North America Indigenous Ministries**

NAIM is a multi-cultural team that exists to glorify God through building the Church by making disciples among North American Indigenous peoples, to reach the world for Christ.

[www.naim.ca](http://www.naim.ca)

**Booth #82****AFC Travel**

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[www.afctravel.com](http://www.afctravel.com)

**Booth #83****Passion 4 People International**

Passion 4 People International trains locally and equips grassroots church planters to reach unreached people groups globally, especially in India. We exist to recruit, equip and connect workers for multiplying disciples, leaders, and churches until there is no place left.

[www.passion4people.org](http://www.passion4people.org)

**Booth #84****Western Seminary**

Western Seminary is a theologically conservative, evangelical seminary based in Portland with a site in San Jose, cohort sites across the U.S., and online degree programs. We strive to be the church's trusted partner in training leaders to equip the saints. We offer: MA Counseling, MDiv, MA (Biblical and Theological Studies), MA Ministry and Leadership, Dr. of Intercultural Studies, and Ph.D. in Intercultural Education. Visit our booth to see how we can equip you.

[www.westernseminary.edu](http://www.westernseminary.edu)



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## Booth #85 MissionWorks

Through our family of ministries, MissionWorks provides individuals, churches, mission organizations and schools with all the outstanding resources, connections and training needed to be successful in local and global mission work. Expand your mission through our family of ministries.

[www.missionworks.global](http://www.missionworks.global)

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[www.lahash.org](http://www.lahash.org)

## Booth #91 Portland Rescue Mission

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[www.portlandrescuemission.org](http://www.portlandrescuemission.org)

## Booth #92 Impact Hope



Impact Hope empowers refugee youth in Rwanda through Christian education and vocational training. By providing scholarships, mentorship, and hands-on skills, students gain hope and opportunity to build self-sustaining futures and transform their future. Join us in empowering and discipling a new generation of refugee youth!  
[www.impacthope.com](http://www.impacthope.com)

## Booth #93 Brotherhood Mutual



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## Booth #94 Frontiers USA



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With love and respect, we invite all Muslim peoples to follow Jesus. Frontiers is a non-denominational mission-sending agency working with churches and individuals to advance the Gospel among unreached and unengaged Muslim peoples in their homelands. Change hearts and lives with Frontiers!

[www.frontiersusa.org](http://www.frontiersusa.org)

## Booth #95 The Apologist Project

The Apologist Project exists to further the gospel of Jesus Christ by engaging the minds of seekers and believers alike through conversational AI. We come alongside ministries to augment their digital strategy to create top-of-funnel AI-driven solutions that assist with ministering to the peoples they serve.

[www.apologistproject.org](http://www.apologistproject.org)

## Booth #96 & 97 Cru - Campus Crusade for Christ

Cru is a global Christian movement helping people know and follow Jesus in over 190 countries. Through authentic relationships, discipleship, and service, Cru equips believers to share the gospel and make an eternal impact—on campuses, in communities, and around the world. Together, we're joining God in transforming lives and nations for His glory.

[www.cru.org](http://www.cru.org)

## Booth #98 Prisoners for Christ

Prisoners For Christ's mission is to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to men, women, and juveniles in jails and prisons in the Pacific Northwest, across the United States, and around the world by providing church services, Bible studies, mentoring, seminary-level classes, Chaplain support, and more.

[www.prisonersforchrist.org](http://www.prisonersforchrist.org)

## Booth #99 Coalition for Christian Outreach



The Coalition for Christian Outreach's vision is to see a generation of college students transformed by the power of Jesus Christ and His Gospel, in partnership with the local church. With over 18 million students from around the world studying in the US, the college campus is the most strategic mission field. Over one million international students and campus demographics continue to reflect increasing racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic diversity. By reaching the college campus, we reach the world for the glory of God.

[www.ccojubilee.org.com](http://www.ccojubilee.org.com)

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“MissionConnexion was launched out of a swirl of mission activity involving individuals, agencies, and churches to increase the cause of missions to mobilize local churches to take the lead role in missions by sending people, rather than simply providing finance. Out of another mission conference, Bill and I were led to call mission leaders from this area to simply pray that God might open up a door to hold a conference in Portland to connect churches, agencies, and mission interested people to work together in accomplishing the Great Commission! What an incredible work of God and now, after 25 years, churches and individuals are still partnering with agencies to send workers into the harvest. Our God is amazing!!”

~ **Doug Hazen** | Mission mobilizer and member of the first MC Steering Team and first Exec Team member

“He alone is my rock  
 and my salvation;  
 he is my defense;  
 I shall not be shaken.”

- PSALM 62:6



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# 70th Anniversary of a Pivotal Event in Modern Missions

*"He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose."*

*-Jim Elliot*

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I watched my dad pull his little mission plane out of the hangar each morning and fly off into the Amazon. Even after he was killed, I kept loving planes and the dream of being a ministry pilot myself some day. How do we plant the dream of sharing God's plan for His world with people who haven't heard? Well, we inform the next generation of God followers that this is a high service. We celebrate this undertaking and we publicize those who have set an example for us to follow in Christ's Commission. And, we connect this new generation with ideas and organizations within which they can carry out this dream. That is exactly what MissionConnexion is doing - "Informing...Celebrating...[and] Igniting...churches in Mission..."

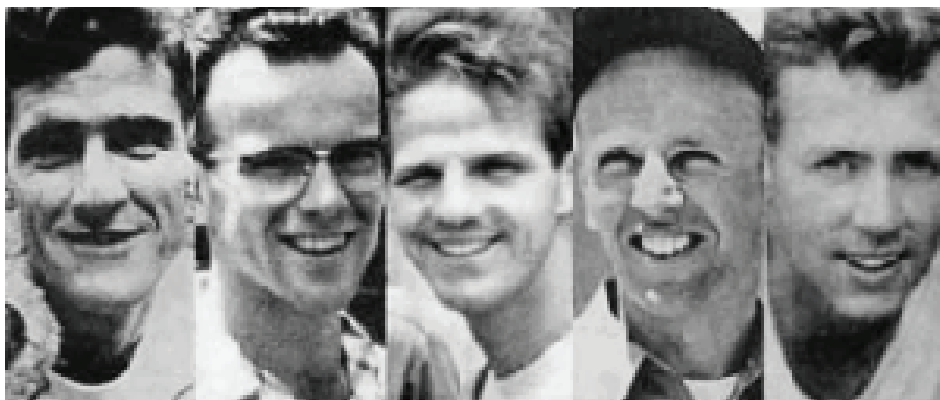
**Steve Saint | Missionary  
Pilot and Author**

2006 Plenary Speaker

Jim Elliot grew up right here in Portland—on the east slope of Mt. Tabor. He had a passion for world missions—either India or South America where his brother Bert was serving in Peru. Jim attended the Summer Institute of Linguistics in Norman, Oklahoma where he first heard of the Auca tribe who lived in the middle of the Ecuadorian jungle. **They had spurned all contact with those outside their tribe and resolved any conflict by killing their opponent.** A tribe untouched by civilization! Jim's pioneer spirit was set on fire. He sensed the Lord was leading him to take the Gospel to the Auca (they refer to themselves as Waodani).

He set his focus on Ecuador and built a team that eventually included Roger Youderian, Nate Saint, Pete Fleming, and Ed McCully. They were able to exchange gifts with the Auca via an airplane drop and made friendly contact. They landed the airplane near their village and had a very encouraging visit from three of the villagers. However, an erroneous report was taken back to the village. **The leaders felt threatened, so they sent a war party back who speared all five missionaries to death.** The news shocked the outside world. Life Magazine ran a cover story on it. It ignited an entire generation of young people to obey the call of God on their lives to reach the world for Jesus Christ.

This past January 8th was the 70th anniversary of the martyrdom of the five missionaries. It is a pivotal event in the history of modern missions. Jim wrote, "He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose." Are we ready to take up that challenge?



To learn more about the life of Jim Elliot and the other four men, you can read *Through Gates of Splendor* and *Shadow of the Almighty*, both by Elisabeth Elliot (Jim's widow).



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**GEN Z IS LESS LIKELY TO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN RELIGIOUS SERVICES GROWING UP**  
Survey Center on American Life, Generation Z and the Future of Faith in America, 2022

**YOUNG ADULTS LEAD A RESURGENCE IN CHURCH ATTENDANCE**  
Barna Research, 2025



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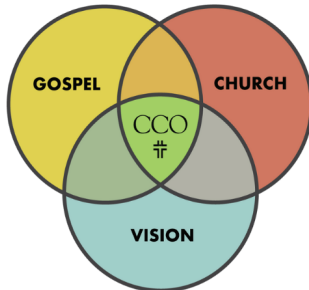
**CHURCH**

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[www.prisonersforchrist.org](http://www.prisonersforchrist.org)

# Training for missions starts here.

## WHAT WE DO

You never stop learning when you're on a mission.

At MissionWorks, we serve up a variety of training and events to address the needs of mission-minded people just like you. Featuring speakers, ministries and leaders in the mission field, our regional conferences, focus events and trainings cover a range of topics to help you make short work of learning more and expanding your mission.

2026

### JANUARY

Jan 15 | Mission**Connexion**  
**Northwest Preconference:  
MissionExcellence 7 Standards  
of Excellence in Short-Term  
Missions Workshop**

You'll discover the benefits of The Standards and begin applying them to your specific ministry context. The SIW includes a resource notebook..

Jan 16 | Mission**Connexion**  
**Leadership / Preconference -  
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Training to better equip church mission leaders in their role.

Jan 16 & 17 | Mission**Connexion**  
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Regional conference providing training to accomplish your mission.

Jan 27 | Mission**Excellence**  
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### FEBRUARY

Feb 17 | Mission**Excellence**  
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(Free for members)



### MARCH

Mar 5 | Mission**Excellence**  
**Online Training**  
*7 Standards of Excellence in  
Short-Term Missions*

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Mar 10 | Mission**Excellence**  
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### APRIL

Apr 14 | Mission**Excellence**  
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*Design for Discipleship*



### MAY

May 5-7 | Mission**Excellence**  
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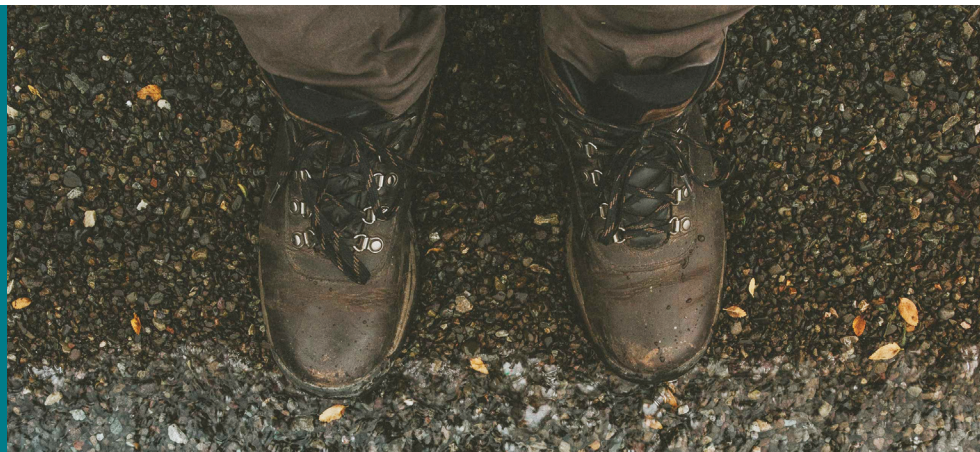
May 12 | Mission**Excellence**  
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May 15 & 16 | Mission**Connexion**  
**Northwest CareConnexion**  
Training to help those responsible for the care of missionaries on and off the field.



Christ himself gave the apostles,  
the prophets, the evangelists,  
the pastors and teachers  
to equip his  
people for works  
of service,  
so that the body of Christ may be  
built up. EPHESIANS 4:11-12



## JUNE - AUGUST

No Training Events

## SEPTEMBER

Sept 15 | Mission**Excellence**  
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Sept 23-25 | **Missio Nexus**  
**Mission Leaders Conference**



## OCTOBER

Oct 20-22 | Mission**Excellence**  
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of The Standards and begin  
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## NOVEMBER

Nov 5 | Mission**Connexion**  
**Northwest Preconference:  
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Missions Workshop**

Designed to help short-term  
mission leaders and mobilizers  
make their mission trips better.



Nov 6 | Mission**Excellence**  
**Accreditation Cohort Meeting  
#2 of 5 / Winter**

You'll participate in 5 cohort  
meetings plus personalized  
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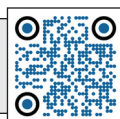


## DECEMBER

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# Finding Your Best Fit in

Most people looking for mission opportunities head to the internet to find a starting point. If you've done that, you may have found options like the ones listed below:

Which one of these pathways would you choose to pursue?

- ▶ 282,200 results for any kind of mission option from any organization of any kind (sample for Egypt)
- ▶ 327,000 results for any kind of mission option from any organization of any religion (sample for the Philippines)
- ▶ Only 7 results for custom fit mission opportunities with trusted organizations and based on your gifts and goals

Options one and two are outcomes from **Google's** vast research and come with no guidance or resources. The third option is compliments of **MissionWorks**, and it is generated just for you. And, it gives you access to coaches who can pray with you, hear your story, and provide guidance and resources as needed.

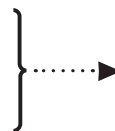
God's commission to share the **Gospel** is as alive as ever! But today, there is too much information, and it seems there's no easy way to sort it out. At MissionWorks, we are dedicated to the unique **enablement of the Great Commission** and that means helping you find the "shortest distance between two points" and ways to work smarter (not harder) toward your calling.

We do this through **people** (coaches and conferences) and **technology** (software and supporting services). We can match your profile with the data provided by our mission partners and generate the mission opportunities that best fit you. And then, if you'd like, we can help you sort it out. We're neutral (like Switzerland), we're relational, and we are deeply committed to helping you take the message of Jesus to the very place you fit best.

## Here are the definitions for "Unique Enablement of The Great Commission" and what they mean for you:

### **Unique** (adjective)

1. being the only one of its kind, unlike anything else
2. belonging or connected to
3. particularly remarkable, special or unusual



**You:** The way God has made you with gifts, desires and calling.

### **Enablement** (noun)

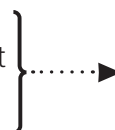
1. the action of giving someone the authority or means to do something
2. the action of making something possible



**Your Journey:** Help in getting you to what you're called to do.

### **Great Commission** (noun and adjective)

1. the instruction or imperative given by Jesus Christ to his disciples to spread the gospel to all nations



**His Mission:** The life-changing message of Jesus - whatever it takes!



# Missions Can be Simple

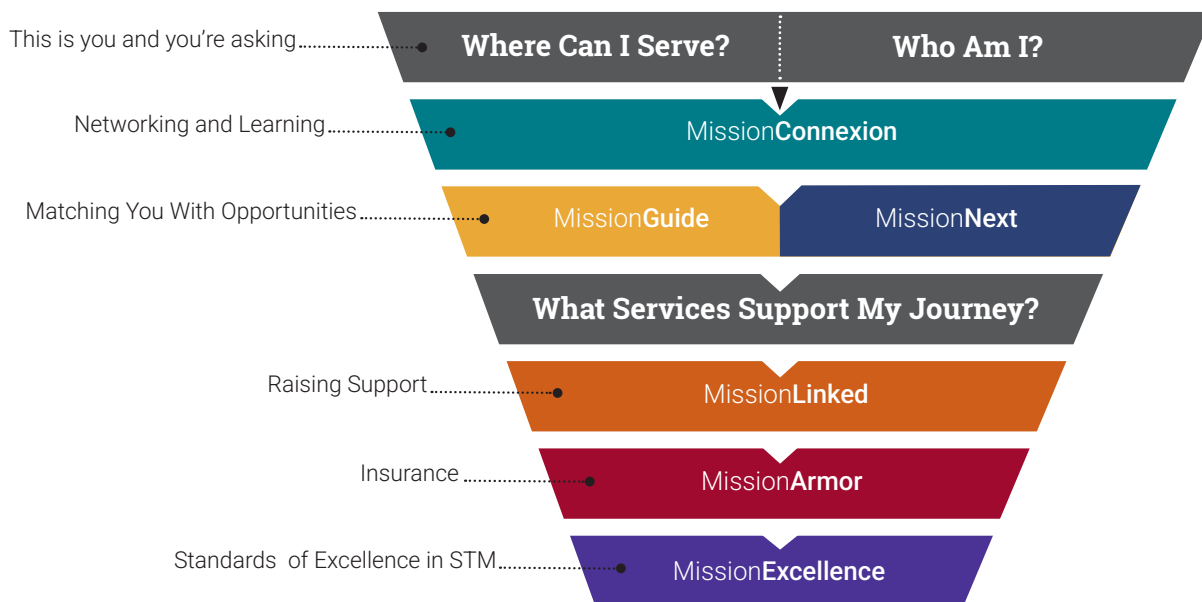
BY BRIAN HEERWAGEN, CEO

## Here are the ways MissionWorks can help you:

1. **Who am I?** MissionFit Assessment, Coaching
2. **Where can I serve?** Short-term, mid-term or long-term positions; volunteer, support raise, and paid opportunities; and options such as Going, Learning, Mobilizing, Praying, Sending and Welcoming
3. **What Services Support My Journey?** Education through Conferences and Workshops, Support Raising Software, Standards of Excellence in Short-Term Missions, and Insurance for mission trips



## Find Your Fit in Missions



## Here are Ways You Can Engage with MissionWorks:

- Visit **our exhibit** booth at MissionConnexion
- Explore **[www.missionworks.global](http://www.missionworks.global)**
- Email: **[info@missionworks.global](mailto:info@missionworks.global)**

# A Family of Ministries to Guide and Support Your Mission Journey

*"MissionGuide has been such a great help to our organization in promoting our mission trips! Their platform makes it easy for people to find and connect with opportunities to serve, and we've seen real results from being listed with them. The team has also been very easy to work with—responsive, professional, and supportive every step of the way. We're grateful for the partnership and highly recommend MissionGuide to any organization looking to share their mission opportunities with a wider audience."*

—RACHEL, CHRIST FOR THE CITY INTERNATIONAL

*"I always wondered if my skills in education could be used for missions. Through MissionNext, I was matched with a Christian school overseas that needed exactly what I could offer. Today I'm teaching and serving in ways I never imagined possible!"*

—A MISSIONNEXT PARTICIPANT

*"As a pastor and a member of our leadership team, managing the raising and receiving of funds for our Mongolia mission trip looked to be an overwhelming task for our church, especially for our part-time bookkeeper. The MissionLinked software was a big help in this. We were able to get the word out about raising funds for the trip to our church family as well as extended family and friends. Thanks for helping our church navigate this important part of our short-term mission trip."*

—SR PASTOR, GOSPEL FELLOWSHIP COMMUNITY CHURCH

## MissionGuide Find Your Place in God's Mission

MISSIONGUIDE



Seeking to serve in missions but don't know where to start? Are you a mission agency wanting to connect with those ready to go?

MISSIONGUIDE IS HERE TO HELP

For over 25 years, MissionGuide has been a trusted platform that connects believers with Christ-centered mission opportunities and helps ministries share their trips with those God is calling to serve. Our prayer is that God sends thousands into His harvest field, fulfilling the Great Commission.

### For Goers: Step Out in Faith

Is God tugging at your heart to give your time and skills to share the gospel? MissionGuide makes it simple to find opportunities that match your gifts, passions, and calling. With our easy search tools, you can filter by:

- Date & location, type of ministry
- Family, group, or individual trips
- Short-term trips, gap years, or internships
- And much more

The possibilities are endless, and with trusted mission agencies walking alongside you, you'll have confidence every step of the way.

### Your next steps:

1. Search opportunities on MissionGuide.global.
2. Inquire with ministries that interest you.
3. Connect and go.

### For Senders: Multiply Your Impact

MissionGuide partners with mission agencies to help spread the word and connect with those God is calling. Together, we can amplify your reach and propel workers into the field.

Ways we partner with you:

- Promote your mission trips to a ready audience.
- Propel goers into service through trusted connections.
- Partner with a network committed to God's Kingdom plan.

### The Time Is Now

Jesus said: "Open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. Even now the one who reaps draws a wage and harvests a crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together." —John 4:35-36

The harvest is ready. The only question is: Are you?

**It's as easy as 1-2-3 | Search. Connect. Serve.**

Learn more at [MissionGuide.global](https://MissionGuide.global)

## MissionNext

Connecting God's People  
with God's Purposes

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### What's your next step in God's mission?

At MissionNext, we believe every follower of Jesus has a role in God's global plan. Our ministry exists to help you discover where your passions, skills, and experiences align with the world's greatest needs.

Our unique **matching algorithm** connects individuals—whether young adults, second-career professionals, or retirees—with opportunities in missions through our partnering mission agencies and Christian schools outside the U.S. and Canada. We help you take the guesswork out of discerning where God may be leading you.

### What We Offer at MissionNext

When you visit MissionNext.org, you'll be able to:

- REGISTER AND CREATE YOUR PROFILE | View current positions with agencies and schools that match your skills. (Use tablet, laptop, or desktop only)
- EXPLORE HUNDREDS OF OPPORTUNITIES | short-term, long-term, domestic, or international.
- RECEIVE COACHING FROM HUNDREDS OF MOBILIZERS | They can help guide you on your journey.
- CONNECT DIRECTLY WITH MINISTRIES | They're eager to welcome your partnership in Kingdom work.

This service is free for individuals—because we believe cost should never be a barrier to answering God's call.

### Why It Matters

MissionNext has partnered with more than 90 mission agencies and Christian schools to fill critical roles worldwide. Each year, hundreds of individuals move closer to God's calling because they took the next step with us.

### Take Your Next Step

Wherever you are in your journey, MissionNext can help you move forward. Stop by MissionWorks booth at MissionConnexion, talk with our team, and discover how you can be a part of what God is doing around the world.

Learn more at [MissionNext.org](https://MissionNext.org)

## MissionLinked

Raising Support  
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There are a lot of websites that will take your money and send receipts however, raising support is not merely about collecting funds. It's about authentic relationships and fostering partnerships for long term benefit to the Kingdom.

**MissionLinked** is a comprehensive platform developed to assist the church or organization as they publicize an opportunity, invite and communicate with participants, and which allows each team member their own unique webpage where they can collect and receipt donations. Everyone is kept up to date with a current dashboard and ultimately, the church's back office is able to save time and expense.

Let us help you set up your cause in a few easy steps:

- choose whether you're fundraising for a mission team, a project or both!
- follow the prompts to create an organizational profile, invite a cause administrator, invite your team members, and you're ready to begin linking people and fundraising securely.

Features include:

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# Context Shock vs. Culture Shock?

*Do you know the difference? And is your team equipped to survive both?*

By Jeff Holland & Josiah Holland, XP Culture

**CONTEXT SHOCK** | As my team stepped outside the airport terminal and into the hot sun in San Pedro Sula, Honduras, several team members exchanged squinted glances. Even though I had told them what to expect, the sight of men in military fatigues standing guard by our bus with loaded rifles was still a bit shocking.

"We're not in Kansas anymore," I heard Dennis say under his breath.

My teammates were experiencing **context shock** – the newness and unfamiliarity of a new environment and context.

**CULTURE SHOCK** | Upon arriving in Santa Rosa de Copan, we waited 2 hours before our host, Abel, was available to meet us at the hotel where we were staying. His son, Jose, was there to make sure we were successfully checked in and taken care of. It was a Saturday and we had caught Abel during his siesta.

Although the Bible has plenty to say about honoring the Sabbath, and Abel had sent his son in his place to show us hospitality, some of my team members were perturbed that we were already off-schedule by more than an hour. "Is he going to be this late to things all week?" Jennifer asked me as she walked laps around the hotel courtyard, trying to get in her 10,000 steps for the day. We were encountering **culture shock** – exposure to new cultural norms and values.

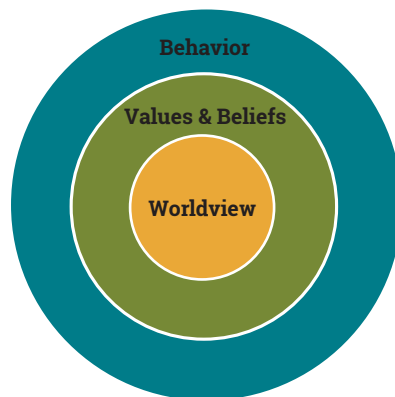
Culture is like the air we breathe—something we take for granted until we are underwater.

**LAYERS OF CULTURE** | The Outer Layer or **behavioral level is what we experience first. It's what we see the people do; the way we hear them interact.** It's how they measure personal space, and how they present themselves to others.

With patience and observational skills, we can go down to the next layer– the **cultural values and beliefs.** We learn if people value age and wisdom or youth and vitality. Relationships and people or tasks and prestige. We also learn beliefs pertaining to concepts such as the meaning of life, life after death, equality, and justice. Values and beliefs are tied together and drive our behaviors.

The inner level is **Worldview: the "way" that people see the world and how things exist.** Behaviors to Values and Beliefs to Worldview. It's so entrenched that the culture isn't even aware of it. Many Western cultures have an innocence/guilt worldview while other parts of the world primarily see things through honor/shame or power/fear.

On short-term trips, it is hard to see below the surface of behavior. But we can research the culture we will visit.



## The Layers of Culture

A metaphor much like an onion that illustrates how culture is structured in layers with observable behaviors, covering less visible values and beliefs, with an even less visible worldview at the center.

## A FEW TIPS | First, don't take yourself too seriously.

Learn to laugh at yourself. Learn to apologize. Cultural and linguistic faux-pas or mistakes are going to happen. But be careful to not take your time of service lightly. Some mistakes cause a real mess that will require other people's time and energy to clean up.

Second, **work hard on the pre-field preparation.** Learn as much as possible about the people before your visit. Also, get to know your team as much as you can. A good pre-trip orientation can help, especially if someone who has lived there can fill you in on the culture and people.

Third, **don't stop learning.** Once you get to your destination, it can't hurt to talk more about what to expect and what is expected of you. Your preparation lays a foundation so you can keep learning, and I hope it gets you excited to continue building on it when you arrive.

The list could go on, but being lighthearted, hardworking, and continuing to learn can make a big difference as you humble yourself and join a powerful God.

Co-written by Jeff and Josiah Holland / Jeff has served as a missionary for 12 years in Africa and 15 years in the US. He and his son, Josiah, the CEO of XPCulture, equip short-term teams to prepare well and re-enter effectively with the help of an online training platform.

Contact MissionExcellence at  
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# By the church. For the church.

## HOW TO COME ALONGSIDE

MissionConnexion regional conferences and focus events are held in partnership with local churches who are connecting God's people to mission and increasing numbers of believers are actively serving in areas of the world's greatest Gospel need and opportunity.

Our church partnerships make it possible for MissionConnexion to provide free admission to thousands of attendees to receive mission training from leading speaker and mission exhibitors focused on helping your church advance the Gospel through mission.

### MissionConnexion Northwest Church Partners

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Gospel Fellowship Community Portland  
Grace Bible Fellowship Portland  
Grace Bible Fellowship Tangent  
Grace Community Gresham

Grace Point Community Tigard  
Helvetia Community Church Hillsboro  
Journey Community Church Camas  
Kingwood Bible Church Salem  
Laurel Community Church Hillsboro  
Mannahouse Church  
Meadowbrook Community  
Montavilla Church  
New Harvest Church Salem  
Powell Butte Christian  
River West Church Lake Oswego  
Salem First Baptist  
Shoestring Valley Community  
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# How to Lead Mission Teams Responsibly in an Unsafe World





## Safe Passage | Lessons in Global Care - Understanding and Implementing Duty of Care for Mission Travel

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"Is it safe to go on a mission trip?" If you're like me, I want to respond to this question with some sort of snide or sarcastic remark even though I know that wouldn't be helpful. However, as leaders, we can't excuse irresponsible behavior by presuming God's protection. The world is not safe and neither are our mission trips. "Duty of Care" is a legal term that we need to be aware of to protect our churches and organizations in the court system, but even more so, we need to fulfill this responsibility as a shepherd of God's people. Read on for a short explanation of this important concept and follow the next steps at the end of the article for assistance in taking care of your team members.

**Q: What does "Duty of Care" mean for organizations sending teams abroad?**

**A: Duty of Care is the shared responsibility to take reasonable and proactive steps to protect travelers—before, during, and after their journey—while upholding the values of compassion, stewardship, and preparedness.**

#### SUBJECT BRIEF

For sending organizations, Duty of Care is more than a legal requirement—it's a proactive framework for protecting travelers through risk assessment, preparation, and continuous support. By establishing clear safety policies, maintaining international medical and evacuation coverage, and providing pre-trip training and real-time communication, sending organizations demonstrate responsible stewardship and accountability. Integrating these practices ensures safer group travel, reduces liability, and strengthens the organization's ability to serve with both compassion and competence.

#### CONCEPT OVERVIEW

##### The Foundation of Safe Mission & Group Travel

Faith-based organizations carry a calling to serve, but that calling includes a parallel obligation: to safeguard those who serve. Duty of Care describes the legal and moral expectation that an organization will act with reasonable care to prevent foreseeable harm to the people it directs or supervises.

In practice, this means anticipating risks and having documented systems for prevention, response, and support. The principle applies not only to large corporations—it extends naturally to churches, ministries, schools, and nonprofits that send participants abroad under their care.

The modern view of Duty of Care recognizes that no organization can remove all risk, but it can demonstrate that it acted reasonably to anticipate, plan for, and manage foreseeable threats. This is sometimes described as an "obligation of means"—not a guarantee of outcomes, but a standard of responsible preparation and stewardship.

When applied to missions, Duty of Care becomes both a reflection of faith and a practical safeguard. It is the structured expression of compassion through policy, training, and readiness.

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