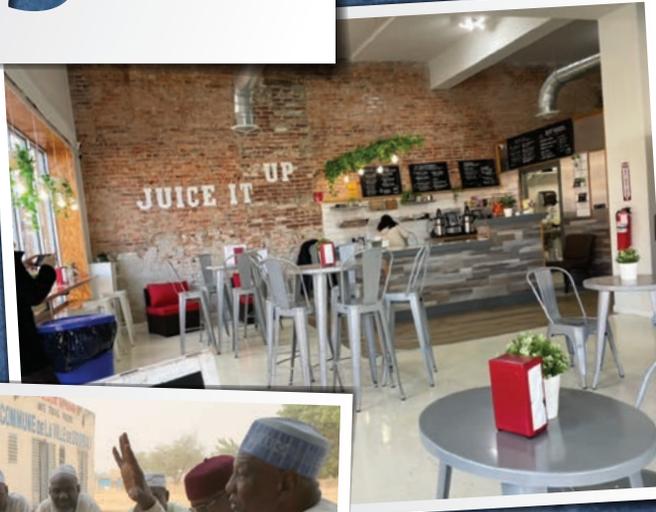


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VEILED COUNTRY

A Different Kind of Pathfinder Club

When church planters Daniel* and Leah started a Pathfinder club in a refugee camp, they met with just a few children on the weekends. That group quickly grew to 40 children and now meets twice a week. And the waiting list for this club has



more than 50 names. Because preaching is not allowed within the camp, the church planters are trying to show Jesus through their actions. Their goal is to create strong relationships and, in private conversations, share their reasons for their love for the children and the community.

Mariam is a 20-year-old refugee who had been attending the club for a few years. She was studying the Bible with Daniel and Leah who prayed for the Holy Spirit to help her make a decision. One morning, Leah woke up to see a message from Mariam, "I know that I still don't know everything about the Bible, but I'm thinking about baptism."

Leah says, "Sometimes we think that what we are doing is not causing an effect in the hearts of the people, but actually, we are just instruments in the hands of God. He is the One working in their hearts, where we cannot see what is happening."

Your financial support makes it possible for church planters to provide opportunities for young people to learn about Jesus.

**Names have been changed*



ZAMBIA

Luapa Church Plant

Young men from the village were waiting, armed with stones and locally-crafted weapons. They'd heard that Sitali was coming to introduce Christ to the villagers. And even though Sitali had received the go-ahead from the village headman, these men had their doubts. They wanted to hear for themselves the teachings that Sitali had to present. If the teachings were deemed as wrong, they would beat the pioneer, perhaps even kill him.

The men listened as Sitali began speaking to the few villagers that had gathered that day. As Sitali continued his sermon, the group of armed men began to thin, as one by one, the men left the gathering. One young man remained up to the very end. He then told the pioneer of the men's plan to severely harm him because of the rumors that they'd heard of his teachings.

Sitali continues his work in this village. Fourteen individuals have been baptized and others are showing interest in learning more. He also serves this community by offering natural healing remedies.

"Thank you for not just your financial support, but also for your prayers," says Sitali. "Some territories need to be lighted with the Gospel, and programs such as this are enabling ways of reaching out to such areas."



BALTIMORE

Urban Life Center & Juice Bar

Mental health, juicing, Spanish, birth plans, babysitting, plant-based meals. What is the common factor for all these? They are all topics for classes being offered at the Urban Life Center & Juice Bar in Baltimore, Maryland.

The center opened in August 2021, and Cristina Macena, projects manager for the center, has been busy making connections with the community. She visits stores in the neighborhood, getting to know the owners; she's invited community members to come to the center and conduct classes; and she makes it a point to befriend every individual that comes into the juice bar. She refers to a quote by Hosanna Wong that sums up the philosophy of the center – “many times our greatest witness will be our with-ness.”

Community members were initially drawn in by the appeal of healthy drink options, but now return because of the “extras” that the center offers. One example is the Conversational Spanish class.

Cristina says that the class fills up quickly every time it's offered; many of its students are

staff from the local hospital who want to be able to communicate with their Spanish-speaking patients.

Urban cities have been identified as an area that requires mission focus. Establishing centers of influence such as this, is one way of reaching the millions in this group. Your support of Global Mission makes it possible to operate centers of influence around the world.



The Unreached Need Your Help!

Dear Friend,

I still remember meeting one of the first Global Mission pioneers I filmed. He worked in an area with many hard-to-reach villages up in the mountains. After several years the Global Mission funds ran out, but there were still more villages to enter. This pioneer already lived on the basic essentials and had a large family to support. He couldn't continue pioneering full time.

When I asked him what happened next, he answered that he traveled home to work during the harvest time, to provide food for his family and money for his children's school fees. The rest of the year he spent teaching and preaching among the unentered villages, despite not having a Global Mission stipend.

At the end of the interview, I asked him if he wanted to say anything additional. His eyes opened wide, and he sincerely thanked Global Mission donors for their support and assured them he would continue to work in the region. What a spirit! Pioneers such as this one, whether working in a remote village or an urban center of influence, have deeply inspired me. They have shown me how much is still to be done and the self-sacrificing spirit it takes to do it.

Please consider supporting Global Mission pioneers—working in the hardest-to-reach regions, large cities, and among unreached people groups.



In His Service,
Earley Simon

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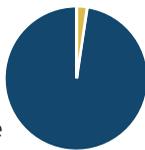


#7510 | GOAL \$55,000

Planting Churches in the Middle East

Send and support Global Mission pioneers working in the Middle East and North Africa

■ Raised ■ Needed: \$53,514



#9720 | GOAL \$10,000

Hope in Crisis

Emergency fund to enable pioneers to help their community during crises

■ Goal reached

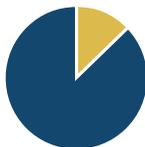


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Unusual Opportunities

Funds quickly available for unexpected projects that don't fit usual categories

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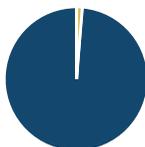


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Establishing the Church in West Africa

Support Global Mission pioneers working in some of the most difficult territories in Africa

■ Raised ■ Needed: \$34,497



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Djibouti

Primary school in Djibouti, East Africa

■ Raised ■ Needed: \$55,634



*An incorrect figure of \$2,846 was reported in the last issue; we apologize for the error.



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