

GLOBAL MISSION

Picture Story

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UNNAMED COUNTRY

Back From the Grave

I closed my eyes, listening to dirt being shoveled into my grave. Faith in Jesus is punishable by death here—and I was ready to die for my faith.

A visiting Bible worker had shared Jesus with my family. We learned about the salvation Jesus offers, and after studying the Bible for ourselves, my wife and I eagerly asked to be baptized. But my family started to hate me, threatening to bury me alive unless I gave up my faith.

I didn't, so my brothers dug the grave, and I climbed in without a fight. After the last shovelful, they told my weeping wife and son that if I died, I was certainly an apostate. But if I lived, they'd know that I believed in the true and living God.

The next morning, they dug me out and found me alive! I praised God as I climbed out of the grave and hugged my family. Shocked, they admitted that Jesus must be real. Now, 14 members of my family have been baptized into the Adventist Church!

Since then, I have dedicated my life as a Global Mission pioneer, sharing the gospel in this challenging country. Please pray for God to break down all barriers so that people here may accept Him as their Savior too.





GERMANY The Kulturlounge

The smell of seasoned beans wafts through the kitchen. At one counter, a small group wrinkles their noses as they chop cilantro, garlic, and onions for salsa. For many, it's their first time cooking a Mexican meal—just one of many firsts visitors experience at Presence Kulturlounge.

This unique Urban Center of Influence (UCI) is in the city of Frankfurt. Presence Kulturlounge builds bridges between the church and the local people who may not be readily open to religion. Visitors can participate in everything from cooking classes and art exhibitions to literature and poetry readings. It creates a welcoming space to ask questions and build community.

Pastor Simret founded Presence Kulturlounge with support from the church. His dream is to win people to Christ despite the city's largely secular context. "When people come to Presence Kulturlounge, we communicate openly that this is a project of the Seventh-day Adventist Church," Simret shares. "Many of the people who come here never knew that the Adventist Church even exists."

Simret and his team are slowly building relationships with the locals and sharing the gospel with them. This work takes time and patience. Please pray that through Presence Kulturlounge, souls may be won for God's kingdom.



KENYA

Church on the Move

A small plane flew over the camp, interrupting the sounds of the day and drawing the attention of the people below. The Samburu people are a semi-nomadic group who live in remote areas of East Africa, shepherding their livestock and roaming the land. For years, sharing the gospel effectively with such mobile people groups has been a hurdle for missionaries. But Lawrence, a Global Mission pioneer, connects with the Samburu in a very personal way.

As a member of the Samburu tribe himself, Lawrence has dedicated his life to sharing the gospel with his own people. He works among them regularly, reading the Bible and praying with them. They in turn enjoy sharing stories, singing, and eating with him.

Lawrence says the Seventh-day Adventist message has been a light to his people. More than 60 Samburu join him in worship under a tree every Sabbath, and many have been baptized. They sing about God's love and about sharing the gospel with others. However, there are still challenges. Since the Samburu travel great distances, Lawrence often walks for miles to minister to them. He also hopes to reach other nomadic tribes in East Africa someday.

Thank you for your financial support of Global Mission pioneers like Lawrence, and continue to pray for the gospel to spread to other unreached people groups in this region.

They Need Your Help!

“Waldensian Students” are called by this name because of the history of the Waldensians in the Swiss Alps during the Dark Ages. The Waldensians attended university carrying contraband Scripture sewn into their clothes and, at risk of death, shared the gospel with their fellow students. It’s still risky to share the gospel in some parts of the world. So students today, in the Waldensian tradition, are moving to these countries and enrolling in local universities with the express purpose of carrying the gospel to that region.

One young man is now a “Waldensian Student” in a country without a single known Adventist. He has made an impression on campus through health ministry and even facilitated a health expo there. He is slowly developing relationships with his classmates that he hopes will one day lead to a small Bible study group.

Although we can’t share his name or identify other “Waldensian Students,” God knows these young people, so please ask for wisdom and protection for them in your daily prayers. Your donations will help send more of these brave students to witness in closed countries.



In His service,
Jeff Scoggins

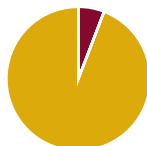
Share the gospel with us through these projects.

#6440CO | GOAL \$30,000

New Projects in Colombia

Send 29 Global Mission pioneers to plant churches

■ Raised ■ Needed: \$28,168

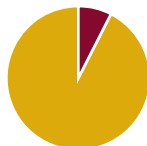


#9760 | GOAL \$30,000

“Waldensian Student” Program

Send missionaries to 10/40 Window universities

■ Raised ■ Needed: \$27,712

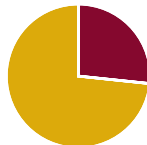


#6840SoA | GOAL \$15,000

Pioneers in Southern Africa

Provide bicycles and other equipment for Global Mission pioneers

■ Raised ■ Needed: \$10,987

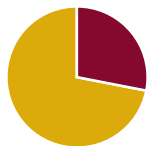


#9730MY | GOAL \$9,000

Myanmar Center of Influence

Establish a drug rehabilitation center in Kalay

■ Raised ■ Needed: \$5,990

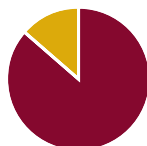


#5210 | GOAL \$250,000

The 10/40 Window

Send Global Mission pioneers to the 10/40 Window

■ Raised ■ Needed: \$33,921





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