

ACCF NEWSLETTER

News and Events from the Apostolic Christian Church Foundation



Ghana

(Africa)

In August, Willie Ritzmann, Kaylee Jivan, Tressa Schlaefli and I (John Schlaefli, III) had the wonderful opportunity to visit Ghana for the first time in three years. First, we give all praise and glory to our Heavenly Father as we had a safe trip filled with good health and great fellowship. It was a blessing for Tressa and me to travel with Brother Wille and Sister Kaylee, and since it was Kaylee's first visit it was fun to witness her experience Ghana through fresh eyes.

Although our trip was brief (six full days) we were able to have productive conversations with the new leaders of the Faith Evangelical Mission Worldwide and were also able to tour some of the mission's specific ministries. What follows is a report on our findings for this trip:

First, FEMW has undergone a transition of leadership. The outgoing bishops (their term for overseeing elders) have faithfully served the churches and the mission for many years, but mutually decided that it was time for a change. As of this writing, Brother Frederick France, Brother Prince Botchway, and Brother Charles Nartey all have the title of bishop emeritus. Replacing them is chief bishop Bobby Harley-Neequaye, deputy bishop John Clotty, and general secretary Enoch Clottey. This new leadership team traveled with us each day as we toured the mission work in Ghana.

The FEMW remains committed to fulfilling the great commission by preaching the gospel out and planting new churches. We toured several new or in-progress building sites for church plants. There are many faithful Brothers pastoring churches in new parts of Accra, as well as new



churches in outlying regions. Our travels initially took us to the coast where we were able to visit the Takoradi and Cape Coast churches for worship and visitation. During our time there, we also visited three new church plants that require financial support to either purchase property or continue construction on a building. Another day we visited a church plant in a remote region past the seaport of Tema, named

Ada. The church began with four members and by the grace of God has grown to a fellowship of over 70. The pastor, a young father of five, picks up his parishioners on a motorbike one or two at a time because of the remote location and the quality of the roads.

Our visit also took us to the FEMW mission school. We were pleased to see some of our donations from previous years put to good use, including a science lab. The school's enrollment has increased considerably since our last visit-as of this writing they are scheduled to have close to 700 students for the next term. The school's principal attributed



the increase to the school's exemplary performance on the national exam given in recent years. The school now has a very good reputation in the community, and families are very motivated to send their children. Also, the school has added a daycare center and has grown a burgeoning pre-k program, all of which has presented some issues with overcrowding. The school would like to move its pre-K program across the street into a new building. Other needs for the school include an improved technology lab with newer computers and wireless service (the computers we saw when we visited were quite old by our standards and are still using an ethernet connection).

On one of our last days, we visited the mission's health clinic which continues to undergo expansion and logistical rearrangement. The hospital sees a lot of patients, and unfortunately, the Ghanian government continues to be 9-12 months in arrears on its obligations to reimburse the clinic for drug and treatment costs. Thus, the clinic is often cash-strapped and has difficulties with keeping a necessary supply of drugs and equipment. However, in the case of both the school and the clinic, we observed the intention to keep Christ at the forefront of all that is done, with the primary motivation being to proclaim the gospel to young people and those who are sick and suffering. The needs are many, but God is great... I encourage anyone moved by these details to give from your heart to these two crucial missions.

One additional need I feel compelled to mention is the retirement residence for pastors. At times pastors of the various churches retire from their ministry, but their families are too poor to take them back in to their household. The building dedicated to housing some of these pastors was destroyed by a devastating flood in June, displacing all the



residents
who are now
in makeshift
or emergency
housing.
The mission
hopes to
demolish and
rebuild the
structure,
and seeks

our support in this area.

Finally, I would like to emphasize again the beauty of Chrisitan fellowship we experience every time we go to Ghana. This was my fifth trip to Africa, and each time I am reminded again of the beauty and riches the gospel of Christ affords us, that despite racial, cultural, and linguistic

differences, we are all truly one in Christ Jesus. I am always humbled by the sincere faith of our Ghanaian Brothers and

by the gracious hospitality they shower upon us when we visit. When I asked Brother Bobby what the churches in Ghana needed to hear as I prepared to preach in the various churches, his response was immediate and



simple: "The Word of God."

It is my privilege to share this report with all of you, and I pray that if the Spirit puts it in your heart to support the work in Ghana, that you would be obedient to Him.

Humbly submitted, John Schlaefli, III

Mexico

(Central America)

Greetings in the Lord from south of the border! We praise the Lord for His continuing grace and mercy in calling more souls to take up the cross and follow Him. In May we rejoiced with our Sister Marle Garcia, as she was buried into Christ's death, and arose to serve Him in his church here in Tecate. We appreciate prayers for her and the family, as she



mentioned, I'm the first from my family to be baptized in a Christian church.

In July we enjoyed an overnight retreat again, where we could meditate on the Word. Singing, devotions, fellowship, and games were enjoyed in a country

atmosphere. A special treat for the women was that the men prepared our breakfast.

August was our special month for VBS. A group went out to give invitations to neighbors. Thanks to the Lord for support of people from California, Ohio, and the south of Mexico, we were able to share the Word about God walking with Israel, and had 168 children and adults attend. The following week,

a group from Tecate travelled to San Jose, Sonora, and were

able to share VBS for the first time in 3 years, with 260 in attendance.

A few big blessings we had in October were the visits of Brothers Edmund Reinhardt and John Botosan to our congregation. We also had a work team of 24 (headed up by Bro Dushan Tomic), who worked diligently on a sidewalk at Little Hands



orphanage, and remodeling at church. Men, women and children worked side by side. At one point, the Mexican national guard stopped one of our vehicles for an inspection and they could not understand why the car contained a Chinese Canadian national, a US citizen from Ohio, and a Mexican national.

We pray that the Lord bless each one who gave of their time and finances to come and support us. May the Lord give

us His patience and strength to fight the good fight of faith. Thank you from all of us!!



Mission Paraguay

(South America)



And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow him. Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness. - Colossians 2:6, 7

Bible Studies

Each semester we have a Bible Study for members at church. We see how effective it is as we gather during the week to be uplifted and have our roots grow deep into him. The first semester we offer a Spiritual Maturity Course which works

on our emotions, our character, and living a life imitating Jesus and following him. The second semester is an introduction to Leadership as we encourage believers to strengthen their faith and challenge



them to open a cell group in their homes.

Cell Groups

Once a week our cell groups meet, different days, different



ages, different support groups that are being nurtured in the Word. Groups of 4 to 15 people each are meeting all over our neighborhood and nearby towns, as extensions of our Church. The group starts off with an

icebreaker, then worship and prayer, a summary of Sunday's sermon, and then a time of fellowship and snacks.

Lorena started coming to our cell group before coming to church. Each week we worked on being built up in Him. Then, the miracles started happening. The relationship with her husband began healing. They were both baptized. Lorena started getting involved in church, volunteering in our "Domingo Kids," a Sunday program with her 5-year-old daughter. This year, both she and her husband started to do volunteer work in Escuela de Vida. Recently their daughter was hospitalized with respiratory difficulties. She kept asking her mom why she was hospitalized if God had already healed

And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus her. This family is completely changed, overflowing with as your Lord, you must continue to follow thankfulness.

21 Day of Worship and Word

This is a new challenge we just started. Can you imagine going to church 7 days a week to worship and pray? We did a trial for a week and the church was filled with children to older adults, worshipping and praising God and offering prayers of

thanksgiving, personal requests, prayers for their cell groups, 3 new persons to invite, family and friends, and church leaders. The second week- once again, church was full. We are starting out the third week, believing in



a God who answers prayers and inclines His ear to His Children praying.

We are thankful for your spiritual and financial support. The donations that we received this past year went towards finishing our classrooms for Escuela de Vida and our church building (air conditioning and tile floors). We praise God for each one of you!

Oscar and Karen Caballero

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Escuela de Vida

We have seen something exciting developing in School of Life this year! We are getting ready to finish the year (our school year starts in February and ends in November,



with summer break the months of December and January—southern hemisphere-style) and we have noticed a shift in the group of children and families we are reaching.

We started School of Life in 2018, had a great second year in 2019, and then 2020 and 2021 we did not have regular classes because of the pandemic. Many things became apparent during those two years, and we have adapted and seen positive changes! In Paraguay, as in many Latin American countries, school for grades K-12 is only half a day. The grades switch at lunch time. This leaves half a day for kids to do

other things- often, helping at home.

Initially, the population of students at School of Life were kids from families who were struggling with the very concept of family—so kids were often

sent to us to get them out of the house, more or less. One of the tenets of School of Life is an emphasis on family, and we were not making this connection well, partially because of the low interest of the parents.

The pandemic caused a shift- we came to understand that kids of every socioeconomic level could be struggling with neglect and even abuse. Another goal of School of Life is to reach children who are at social risk. This year our group has grown—we have students being driven from across town by engaged parents because they know School of Life is a safe place for their children to spend half a day. This shift



has not only brought us more children from a greater geographic area with more diverse backgrounds, but it has opened our eyes to view every child as someone we would hope to love and teach and connect

with through School of Life.

Jonathan is one of our students. He lives with his mom and two siblings in a home with no electricity. His dad is currently

in the picture and it was great to meet him yesterday! His mom has been coming to a life group at church and is getting loved and helped by the women in her group. Jonathan is loved and thriving and learning and receiving in School of Life as well—although he did get warned about drawing on the tables yesterday!

Another student from a family that is more financially stable is with us because her dad appreciates that she is safe from bullying, abuse, and ideologies that go against Christian principles. This father is appreciative of the wide opportunities for friendship and growth in an environment where everyone is welcome.

To be able to reach out to every socioeconomic level, the project only asks for 10,000 guaranies monthly/child (that is less than 2 dollars) to cover basic expenses, like the snacks we serve them every Tuesday and Thursday. That payment is not mandatory, meaning that we would never say NO to a child just because their family is not able to pay it. Even though at least 60% of the kids pay the 10,000 guaranies monthly, the amount is not enough to cover all the real

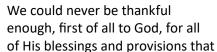


expenses we have (school supplies, uniforms, electricity, Bibles, teaching materials, etc.). We need at least \$30 per child monthly to be able to cover

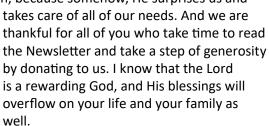
everything we do need throughout the year.

We have 10 kids that are sponsored by the ACCMBC (you can get to know who they are if you check their bio, available on the ACCMBC website), but today we have over 80 children participating in both projects "Escuela de Vida" (in the city of San Antonio, and the new outreach in the city of Ypané.) That is why we need sponsors that are willing to "adopt" a child and donate \$30 monthly to the project, helping us to continue to provide for the children and be able to grow this amazing project even more, reaching out to many more kids.

We have great plans and projects for next year and we are praying and believing that the Lord is lifting up partners that are willing to invest faithfully in this project, because He is the one that cares the most about each and every child that participates with us.



overflow even when we think we won't be able to get to the end of the month, because somehow, He surprises us and



If you would like to receive more information or get to know us better, you can follow us on our Facebook and

Instagram page, or you can contact us directly through our personal email (hadassadurante1995@gmail.com) and we would love to share many other testimonies with you.

May God bless you more and more every day,



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Canaan Land Ministries

Brazil

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you so much for faithfully lifting this ministry in prayer and blessing us by giving to the Lord's work here. The last few months have been a bit more stable, with not as many children coming and going:

Numbers Relatively Steady: At the last writing, we had 23 children and teens under our care. Right now, we have 21, as two teens returned to their families after the last set of hearings we had in October.

Staff Changes: Caregivers Hernan and Tania ended their time at CLM in September, sharing that God has showed them their time at CLM had come to an end. Since they left, we have been looking for a new caregiver couple, but we haven't yet found a couple that meets our needs and is willing to come to CLM. The stress has been higher on the 3 couples working full-time with the kids, as each couple has 7 children in their house. Mateus and Rosangela, the day-off caregivers, then have each group of kids in their home on a rotating basis, according to the couple that's off that day. Please pray for God's guidance as we seek the right couple for the position.

Also in September, our administrative assistant Dani returned from her 4-month maternity leave. She had lost a late-term pregnancy in May, and because of the gestational stage, it was considered as if she were full-term for calculating maternity leave. Please continue praying for her, her husband Silvio and daughter Maria Luiza as they continue to grieve the loss of their little boy.

At the end of her 3-month trial period, our new social worker Elis decided she wasn't prepared for the daily stress of working with vulnerable children and their families. She left us after the first week in October, and we have been actively seeking a new social worker with Christian values. So far, this has been a difficult task, so please pray that God would bring us the right person.



Children's Day: Children's Day on October 12th is always a huge event at CLM. This year, it rained most of the day, but that didn't stop the CLM kids (and adults) from playing all day. The now-traditional burgers with all the fixings were a hit at lunch

as in the past few years. The rain was great for a slip 'n' slide, and despite the cool weather, the CLM pool did open in the afternoon.

On the Saturday after Children's Day, the local church held

a special event for the kids up to age 14. A few of the preteen boys helped put on a puppet show for the younger children. The afternoon's activities centered around identity, and the children and teens were reminded of the value of the families God



has put them in. The theme verse was Psalm 68:6- God sets the lonely in families...

Turvo Project Moving Forward Quickly: As we've discussed possibilities with representatives of the local governments in Guarapuava and Turvo, it's become clear that they need us to begin at Turvo in December, when their lease on the current building runs out. As a result, we're quickly fixing up two apartments upstairs in the Turvo building. Please pray for all the details of starting a new mission- the physical setup, financial needs, finding the right staff, and so on. May God provide as He sees fit!

Dependent on your prayers,

The CLM Team

Caregivers: Cristiano & Thais, Mateus & Rosangela, Rogerio &

Bianca, Gleison & Mayara

Director: Anderson Kasnocha

Tech team: Altair (psychologist), Isabella (social worker)

Support staff:

Bethany (marketing/communication, education, admin)

Rogerio (spiritual oversight and administrative)

Danielly (finances/administrative)

Junior (Turvo upkeep)

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Nepomuceno

Dear Friends,

Greetings from warm Brasil! We are finally enjoying some nicer weather, now that spring is here, and we are grateful for the sunshine. With the changing seasons, we are reminded that another year is coming to a close and the holiday season is fast approaching. As usual this time of year, we like to encourage you to send Christmas cards to our boys. They so look forward to this annual tradition and it is a special gift just for them. Unfortunately, since Covid, we have had great difficulty in receiving packages and manila

envelopes. Because of this, we would like to ask you to send only cards (no packages or manila envelopes) as last year all of the cards that were mailed separately did arrive at the home. We are so grateful for all of you who have taken the time, money, and effort to put together cards for the boys in years past. This is a great activity to do with Sunday School classes or your family! Even though packages cannot be sent this year, if you would like, you can still include small items in your cards such as photos of you/your family, stickers, dollar bills, or sticks of gum.



Friends from Canada preparing cards to send

Here are some phrases that you can use in your cards:

Jesus love you- Jesus te ama Merry Christmas-Feliz Natal Happy New Year-Feliz Ano Novo

I'm praying for you/We're praying for you— Eu estou orando por você/Nós estamos orando por você

Bible Verses- (translated through Bible Gateway)

The address of the home is:

Familia Adonai Caixa Postal 4 Nepomuceno, MG Brazil 37250-000



Our boys' names are: Miro (63), Alifer (16), Pedro (15), Alisson (13), Juliano (13), Ytalo (11), Davi (10), Rafael (7), Murillo (4), Gleysson (4), and Anthony (1). We appreciate you remembering our children in this way and blessing them with this simple

gesture of love!



At the end of September, we were blessed by a visit from Bro Dan and Sis Annette Simon from Norton, OH. They are the Home's representatives on the Foundation's Missionary Committee and visit the home

annually. During their time here, they participated in the Home's Board of Directors meeting, spent lots of quality time with the boys, toured the home and saw the renovations that had been made since their last visit, visited the churches located here in the State of Minas Gerais, and enjoyed lots of the Home's coffee while visiting with the workers. While

they were here, Dan taught English classes to the CTE Adonai kids, our boys, and several of our workers. Dan and Annette also took the boys for a special day trip to Varginha, a big city with a shopping mall a little over an hour from Nepo. The



boys enjoyed walking around the mall, seeing a special ocean exhibit, and eating McDonalds for the first time in many of their lives. Dan and Annette also brought with them many special gifts for the boys from the Norton Church family. The boys loved the special treats and we are thankful for the Church's outpouring of love in this way. We were so blessed by our time with Dan and Annette and thank God for the encouragement their visit provided.

As we mentioned, while Dan and Annette were here, they participated in the Home's Board of Directors meeting. During this meeting, Dr. Chuck Misja, a Christian psychologist

> from Ohio, also participated in part of it via Zoom. Heltton, Katy, and Annette have been meeting monthly with Dr. Chuck for the past several months discussing the Home's Mission, Vision, and Values. At the Board of Directors meeting, we presented what we have been working on with Dr. Chuck and further discussed these topics with the Board. Dr. Chuck has provided invaluable insight and support

to us during these meetings and we are so thankful for his willingness to help the home in this way.

We also thank the Lord for your faithful prayers and financial support. May God richly bless you for partnering with us in these ways!

In Him,

Heltton and Katy Brandão

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Opening gifts from Norton ACC

Little Hands Orphanage

Mexico

Greetings from Little Hands,

Looking over all the things that have happened in the last

few months, God's hand is evident in both the big and small things. How exciting that we serve a God that cares about not only the huge unexpected events, but He also cares about the ordinary things in daily life.

August

The kids and caregivers were all excited to participate in the annual "escuelita" Bible school at church (VBS). The kids always look forward to



going to church, so a week filled with church every evening, and the opportunity to learn new songs and Bible verses every day is always a highlight of their year. We were very blessed to see the Brothers and Sisters that came to visit



during this time, and it was also a great experience to play a part in being a light in the community and showing the kids a real example of how to do that.

September

We were excited to receive three new children to the orphanage this month: a newborn baby boy, a 3 year old girl, and her one year old brother. Everyone was very excited to have

a newborn again, and had fun looking through the tiny baby boy clothes the primary caregivers picked out. Please pray for these precious children that they adjust to the change, heal from trauma, and come to know about the God who loves them.

In the end of September, a fire came right up to the orphanage grounds. Thanks to God's provision, the fire got close to the orphanage but didn't damage any buildings. The fire department came very quickly and put out the fire just in time. The whole mountain by the orphanage and the grass outside the gates all got burned. Thankfully the

sheep have been doing a good job of eating down the grass and plants on the orphanage, which also prevented the fire from coming too close. We were all so encouraged to hear of the many people in the different churches that were praying for us. What a blessing to know we have support from all of you, and God heard your prayers.

October

October was a full month with visitors and the work team here. We were blessed to have Sis Candace Tomic with us for 4 weeks. She helped provide relief care for the caregivers, and



all the kids grew close to her while she was here. They loved having someone cook new foods for them, help them learn new skills and even spend time playing and reading with them. Many more Brothers and Sisters on the work team came to put down a porch in the new house, and help with organization, cooking and playing with the kids. We are grateful for each and every one who came to help during this month.

"But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefere: ye are of more value than many sparrows." -Luke 12:7 Instead of worrying about the future, unexpected events or business of life, we can rest in a God that cares intimately about us. Please pray that we keep this perspective as we deal with new experiences and challenges, and that we always keep God's will as our first priority, and teaching the children to do the same. Dios los bendiga.

The Little Hands Orphanage Family

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Papua New Guinea

South Pacific

Greetings in Jesus name to our loved ones in the United States, Canada, and around the world from the Good News Christian Church of Papa New Guinea. Thank you to

God and his son Jesus who died for us and we are free from sin and death. Our home is in Heaven and we are living our temporary lives here on the temporary world.

We thank you many times Brother Willie and other Christian Brethren for your prayers, financial and other material support given since the Church came to existence. We value the well done job and greatly appreciate you very



much. Without your support we couldn't come this far but because of your big generosity, commitment, and faithfulness, we are blessed.

We had many memorial services throughout the country in the mood of

grief of our elite father and core founder of the Good News Christian Church of Papa New Guinea. Our heart was broken for the late passing of Victor Schlatter.

We are considering relocating the church headquarters which has been located at HalHal for many years. Since the Churches have branched out all over PNG, though HalHal Is still a central location in the Southern Highlands and Hela province, it is not central for PNG. In order to be available



for Church leaders to attend meetings from the faraway regions, we do not plan to eliminate the Church center at Halhal- just possibly make a more central headquarters that can serve all the congregations, such as in Mt. Hagen.

Countless thanks to our supporters, both in Canada and USA, Christians who have faithfully donated the funds for building materials. So far, nearly 30 local churches have benefitted from your giving. On behalf of the



congregations and as a whole we value and appreciate your great giving very much. Our goal is to have all Kunai church buildings replaced by wood and tin structures by 2030.

We are in need of a new church vehicle which we ask for your help in purchasing. The Toyota Land Cruisers are the only vehicles that stand up to our roads. The cost of a new vehicle would be about \$65,000 US. You purchased a used one last time for us, but the cost of maintenance has now gotten to the point where we cannot afford to keep maintaining it. We recommend selling the old one and

buying a new one using the money from the old one towards the new one. We think we can get about \$8,000 US for the old one.

We have attached some pictures of the churches that you have purchased materials for to rebuild from Bush material to wood and tin.



Peter Harut

Victor Schlatter, a faithful Brother in the Lord, passed away Thursday, July 7, 2022, at the age of 91.

Brother Vic was well loved by tens of thousands, as a pioneer missionary, a powerful preacher and teacher, an author, as well as a dad and father figure to many. In 1961, he moved his family to a primitive tribe in the mountains of Papua New Guinea and dedicated the next 61 years of his life to sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ around the world.

During his 28 years in Papua New Guinea (PNG), Victor and his family lived with the Waola people of the Southern Highlands. He deciphered and put into writing their tribal language, translated and published the New Testament into their language and then started the Good News

Christian Church, which now has over 160 congregations spread throughout the country. In 1989 Victor moved to Australia from where he continued giving supervision to the churches in PNG.

The last 3 years of his life were spent in Castanhal, Brazil, where he resided with his wife, Elsie, and his daughter Michelle

Toth and her family, ministering in the church with Hope Ministries. He always testifie

church with Hope Ministries. He always testified that even though he never knew his earthly father (he passed away before Vic was born), his heavenly Abba Father was more than enough to meet his every need.



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Trustee Corner

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When I was young, I used to think how marvelous it was growing up in the Apostolic Christian Church. I had the deep conviction that we believed and lived the Word of God. I experienced the love of the extended family of God through visitations of fellow Believers in North America, and missionaries from around the world. I believed that surely in my lifetime, we would plant more churches, send out more missionaries, and that our Church body would grow. Despite the success of many of our foreign missions, sadly, these are not the results that we have experienced in North America. Many of the churches I visited in my youth have closed and many Believers that I once shared fellowship with are now worshipping elsewhere or have left the Christian faith altogether. The Bible, of course, predicts many will depart from the faith in the days before Christ's return (I Timothy 4:1, II Thessalonians 2:3). Nevertheless, we are persuaded better things are possible for those who believe and are faithful. We have Jesus' last recorded words on earth: "It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and

in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:7b-8). We do not know what the future will bring. We do not know whether Christians will always be permitted to publicly worship together or if we will need to meet in secret as some Believers elsewhere in the world already do, but we do know that we have been given the "Great Commission" and that it is our responsibility to carry this out in good times and bad. If you feel God's calling to help support small churches or plant/replant new ones in North America, please reach out by responding to the notice on page 10. If you feel God's calling to the foreign mission field, please reach out to the Missionary Committee. If your personal conviction is to remain and grow spiritually where you are, please remember to pray to the Lord of Harvest that He will send forth laborers into His harvest (Matthew 9:38) and ask Him how you can be "sent" where you are.

Rodney Koch ACCF Trustee Chairman

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