



**2019
Mission ONE
Thanksgiving
Report**



WILLIAM STRICKLAND PLAYING CRICKET WITH BOYS IN INDIA

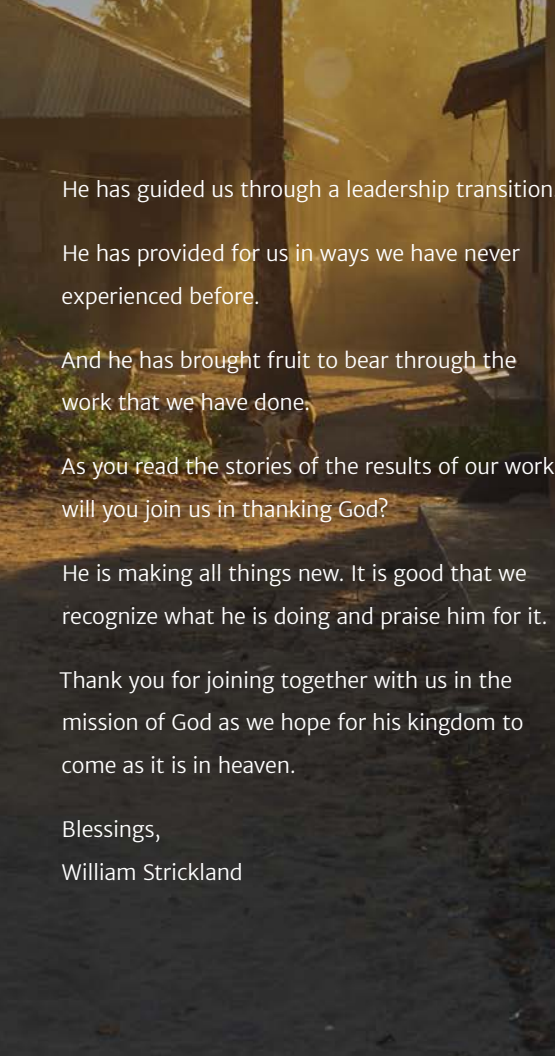
As our Thanksgiving Report is sent to you in November, writing this letter is one of my first responsibilities as our new leader.

As I write this, our office is empty as it is early in the morning. It requires that I pause and reflect what we are thankful for, as a ministry, over the past year.

God has done tremendous things over the last year.

He has allowed us to continue, and even deepen, our relationships with remarkable Christian leaders around the world.

He has grown our team to include new, amazing people like Jackie, Brian, Kristen, Nancy, and Jackson.



He has guided us through a leadership transition.

He has provided for us in ways we have never experienced before.

And he has brought fruit to bear through the work that we have done.

As you read the stories of the results of our work, will you join us in thanking God?

He is making all things new. It is good that we recognize what he is doing and praise him for it.

Thank you for joining together with us in the mission of God as we hope for his kingdom to come as it is in heaven.

Blessings,
William Strickland

Letter from the president





Team growth

Our team grew in 2019. We are grateful to God for providing qualified, passionate people to join us in our pursuit to make this world more like the kingdom of God.

New staff include **Brian, Jackie, Jackson,** and **Kristen**. These four have over 20 years of cross-cultural ministry experience and eight postgraduate degrees between them.

The Mission ONE team is expanding and growing—to better serve the global Church—and to make us more effective each day. Praise God!

Africa

The background of the page features a warm, golden sunset or sunrise. In the foreground, the silhouettes of five people are walking away from the viewer along a path. The lighting is soft and atmospheric, creating a sense of hope and journey.

SOUTH SUDAN

“A pastor’s family was having much difficulty. His wife was sick. There was no money for school or food. But one day, someone brought a letter to church inviting him to attend a workshop. In that workshop, the pastor was taught how keep poultry. He learned that keeping poultry was a simple way to lift his family and others out of poverty. The pastor also trained women in his church to run the project. This gave employment to every family in need. Please pray that Jesus will meet the needs of those in the suffering community of Torit through this miraculous poultry project.”

“At our home church, people are desperate. They have lost hope. They are possessed or sick. They come to me for prayers and deliverance from demons and spiritual darkness. God is working among us by healing the sick and delivering the possessed. God has a special consideration for the poor and the destitute who have no basic medicine or first aid.”



K E N Y A

“Three times a week, women gather at Rahab’s place. They prepare to share the Good News of Jesus in their villages. Each lady carries a small bag with a gift like maize (corn), rice, sugar, cooking fat, beans. They divide into small groups of five and go into the villages. When they enter the village, each group enters a home. After sitting together awhile, they share a message from the Word of God. They give a challenge. They pray. They give their food gift. Then they move to the next home.”

E T H I O P I A

“A man at the new prison hated believers. He was making fun of the Gospel message. But he spent much time with pastors and believers. And now, he regrets that he mocked the believers. He says, ‘I was lost. I need this great Savior.’ He was in tears for his past and accepted the Lord as his Savior. The next week I saw he was smiling and happy.”

Asia



I N D I A

“A man was suffering with a severe stomach ache for a long time. He went to the hospital. The doctors found that his pain was from a tumor in his stomach. The man was so distressed. All his efforts to find a remedy failed. But one day he came to the church of Pastor Singh and requested the pastor to pray for his healing. Pastor Singh asked the whole congregation to pray. They prayed honestly for him with fasting. When the man went for his check-up, the medical report said, No tumor! God answered their petition; God healed him gradually. This incident brought his whole family to the feet of our Lord. They started to trust Jesus Christ and started attending our church regularly.”

P A K I S T A N

“It was honorable for us to open four new sewing training centers in Pakistan. We did not know how truly difficult life had become for the women and girls. The women with whom we had been talking were in extreme poverty and wanted help. Together, we decided to help them by training them to sew so they could find work. Once they started to come to the sewing center they began to speak about their real situations. These women and girls had been forced into prostitution just to survive. They told us how many girls had died because of this. Now they are very happy for this sewing center. ‘This is no longer your center but ours’, they said. Praise God. This is beyond what we imagined!”

N E P A L

“We have been teaching about Church planting and sustainability. It was an honor to visit a worker in far West Nepal who followed our model. He was a student in Bishwa’s class seven years ago. He very much has used our sustainability model—he has a fish farm, vegetable garden, chicken farm, and Bible school. This is all in the same plot where he has his church. The food he raised is used for students and he said, ‘Because of Bishwa’s teaching, we have been able to plant 77 Churches in the last five years!’ What an honor to see how he has followed what we taught. God is good!”



Mid

“It is wonderful how things have changed since we started the Educational Center for Syrian refugees. The children, whom we once welcomed as our students, have become our family. Their stories have become our stories, their pain our concern, their growth our happiness, their healing our celebration, and their development our inspiration. They light the darkness of this world with their smiles. They combat the evil with their laughter. The war that was meant for their death and destruction has become the gate through which they passed to the light of education, humanity, and hope.”

A person wearing a plaid coat is walking away from the camera down a narrow, dimly lit street at night. The street is lined with buildings, and there are some signs visible in the background, including one that says 'S K A'. The overall atmosphere is quiet and somewhat somber.

die East

“Noura, a Syrian Muslim-background woman, found her way to Jesus after joining the staff at our Educational Center. Noura’s little boy, Zein, is gluten-intolerant, however he always eats food with gluten when his parents are not watching. One night, Zein had dinner with his siblings and went to bed. Noura noticed that he was barely breathing or moving. She tried waking him up, but could not.

In despair, Noura took her son in her arms and ran outside, raising up prayers to Jesus as loud as she could, ‘Jesus, bring my son back to life! Jesus, bring my son back to life!’

“Her husband, Saleh, went after her, shouting, ‘What are you doing?

This is a Muslim area. People will be enraged against you at hearing the name of Jesus!’ Noura replied, sobbing, ‘I do not care what people say. Jesus is the only one who is able to breathe life into my son again!’ At that moment Zein opened his eyes and came back to life!

“This incident and many others instilled faith deep in her heart.

Noura witnesses to the marvelous works of Jesus wherever she goes. She and her whole family are growing in faith and are determined to live for Jesus and to be baptized.”

Training



“Werner recently came to our Missionary Training Center for four days of teaching on honor, shame, and the gospel. It meant a lot to me. I am a career missionary, church planter, and Bible translator. I have been in a lot of teaching sessions over the years and I just want to say that his teaching has equaled the best of the best of them. Although many Ethnos360 missionaries have ministered in honor–shame cultures, it is only recently, mostly through his book and ministry, that we have been confronted with honor–shame theology. His thoroughness in teaching, his energy and emotion in delivery, all spoke to my heart and mind, and to many others.”

–**Dell Schultze, Ethnos 360**

“At the 2019 EMS conference, Werner made a presentation entitled ‘An Honor–Bearing Gospel for Shame–Fueled Crises.’ I was absolutely moved by his insight that many global crises are essentially ‘shame writ large.’ This is an enormously powerful insight—that identity–in–Christ and honor reversal (Ephesians 2) is an antidote to that shame. The packed room and keen interest that listeners displayed only strengthened my conviction that this application of biblical honor is important for the world to hear at this time in history. I am so thankful that Werner is creatively shaping gospel–infused interventions like this presentation for the global missiological community.”

–**Christopher Flanders, Associate Professor of Missions,
Abilene Christian University, Assistant Editor, Missio Dei Journal**

“I recently read Jackson Wu’s article in Biblical Missiology titled ‘There are No Church Planting Movements in the Bible.’ I really enjoyed this article. I have been pressured strongly at various points to use unbiblical techniques, so I appreciate your clear advocacy for freedom to look at other approaches.”

–**Missionary in North Africa**

**“THIS IS SO CHINESE!
I FINALLY FEEL LIKE I CAN
BE A CHINESE CHRISTIAN.”**



19,426

PEOPLE ACCEPTED
CHRIST AS SAVIOR



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NEW CHURCHES
WERE PLANTED IN
PLACES WHERE
THERE WERE NONE

TRAINING RESOURCES :

Theological training for pastors; ministry leader travel for US speaking engagements; leadership training; marriage enrichment retreats for Christian leaders

TRANSPORTATION :

Motorcycle and car for pastor's travel; tires, repair, regular maintenance for pastor's vehicles; travel expenses for ministry leaders and evangelistic outreach

MEDICAL AID :

Medical treatment and medicine for national leaders and families; community medical, dental and eye clinics; hospital treatment for national pastor; medical expenses for widows

MINISTRY TOOLS :

Father's Love booklet (evangelistic tool) in Arabic; Bibles for Syrian refugees; computer for Christian leader; office supplies, media supplies for evangelism

E D U C A T I O N :

School resources for Syrian refugee children education center; national missionary children school fees; scholarships for young Christian leaders; teacher salaries for educational centers and missionary schools

H U M A N I T A R I A N A I D :

Emergency relief for families in South Sudan and Pakistan; feeding program for destitute children; aid to orphans; shelter, food, blankets, and supplies for Syrian refugees; Christmas gifts

C O M M U N I T Y & B U S I N E S S D E V E L O P M E N T :

Development of pig, cow, and chicken farm sustainability project; sewing centers in Pakistan & Kenya for women at risk; repatriation projects for Syrian refugees; community water projects in Kenya and Nepal

S U P P O R T

Contributions	\$1,223,004
Other Revenue	\$21,310
Total Revenue	\$1,244,314

E X P E N S E S

Program	\$840,115
Admin	\$252,645
Fundraising	\$127,288
Total Expenses	\$1,220,048


N E T R E V E N U E \$24,266

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for the glory of God and the honor of all peoples.



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