

MISSION ONE



SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT



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FROM OUR PRESIDENT

This year has been unusual, to say the least. The long list of terrible circumstances seems to grow each month. That list has been colored with the unprecedented spread of a global pandemic and its consequences.

While we at Mission ONE have had low days like everyone else, we have had the privilege of joining God and his Church—rising to the occasion to care for the nations and our neighbors!

This report has stories from around the world that will encourage and inspire you. From women at the bottom of their societies in Pakistan to a tribal leader in Kenya, God's people have shown us, once again, that there is good news found in Jesus Christ.

Yes, people are suffering from the consequences of COVID-19, but our partners have met that suffering with a resolve to love that humbles us. We are honored to call them our brothers and sisters.

You may be surprised by the hope you find in the following pages.

Thank you for your partnership in the gospel.

William Strickland, Mission ONE President

NATIONAL EVANGELICAL OUTREACH

PROJECT:

Pig Farm

Our partners have set up a missional business venture to create job opportunities. They are breeding pigs with the goal to sell 30 a month at which point the project becomes self-sustaining. The future profit will be used to fund gospel workers.

BECAUSE OF THE COVID-19 LOCK DOWN IN THIS COUNTRY, REGULAR MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES WERE LESS AVAILABLE.

302
PEOPLE SAVED

186,336
MEALS SERVED

THROUGH NEO DURING OUR CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE



food distribution



► A STORY OF IMPACT

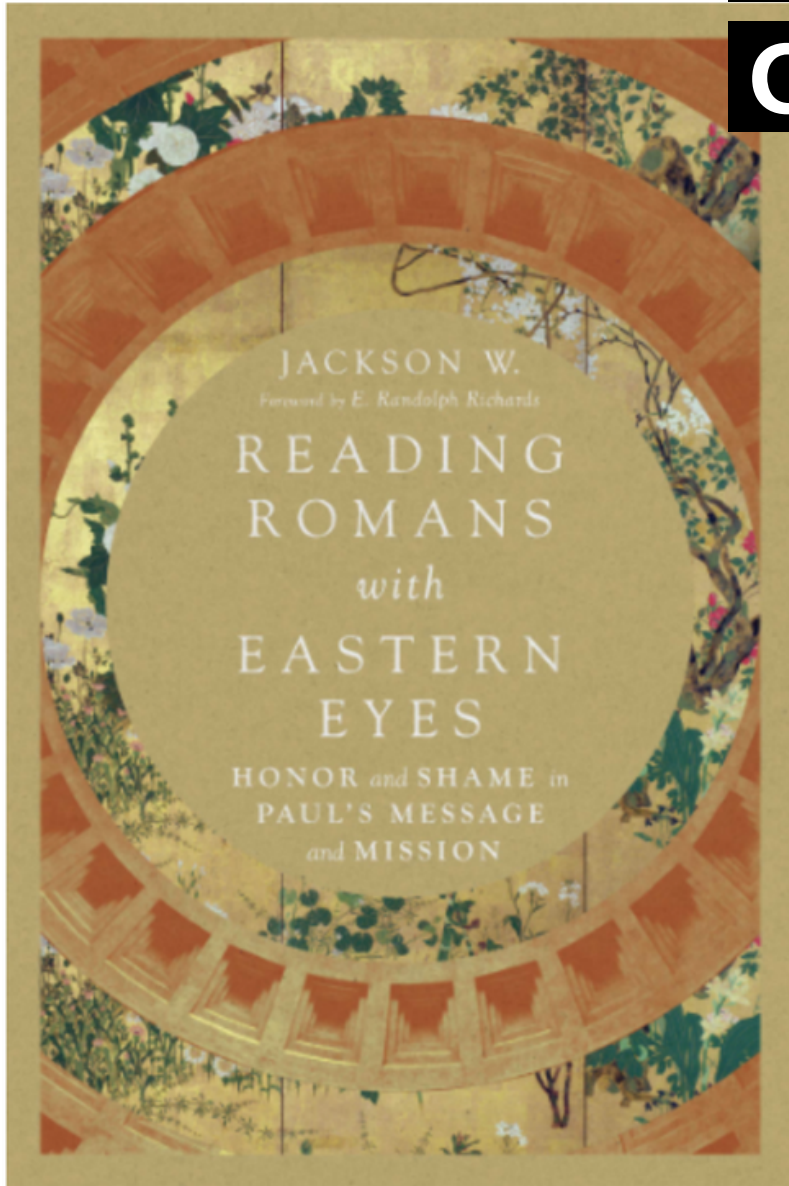
Traditionally, the Massai people worshiped tribal deities that value strength and courage above all other traits. One of our partners in Kenya has been building a relationship with one Massai leader who has not been open to the message of Jesus.

The Maasai leader began to hear that people in his community were starving to death. Their access to markets had been cut off during coronavirus shut downs. The infections were spreading and so was fear.

Because of patrons like you – our partners in Kenya were traveling house to house with messages of hope and delivering food rations. The Maasai leader welcomed Wilfred, our partner from the local church in for the first time. Wilfred walked the Maasai leader through the gospel for nearly an hour. The Maasai leader sat in silence, absorbing. He explained – "I killed three lions and have never felt this way."

He got on his knee and told Wilfred that he wanted to follow the God he follows. Now, the Maasai leader is courageous for a new reason and has offered a piece of his land to plant a church, so that he and his family can attend.

THE GOSPEL CONTEXTUALIZED



Jackson Wu, Mission ONE Theologian-in-Residence published *Reading Romans with Eastern Eyes* in 2019. It's gained popularity in the honor-shame theology conversation and has recently be produced as an audiobook. We are thrilled that this text will be able to reach more people with this added platform. You can find Jackson Wu's book and the audio version on Amazon.

"When I teach on honor-shame people inevitably ask, What about Romans? They assume the book is foremost about guilt and forgiveness. Scholars are now rethinking such Reformation assumptions about Romans." – Jackson Wu

Jackson Wu demonstrates how honor-shame not only informs the book of Romans, but plays a central role in Paul's entire letter. The chapter-by-chapter analysis combines exegesis, biblical theology, and missional application in a delightful way.

MISSION TO UNREACHED PEOPLE

PROJECT:

Business as Mission

MUPE has missionaries all over East Africa and continues to grow their network. They are working to start a car rental business that includes a driver for their missionaries but also for the general population. This business as mission will create an income stream to help fund their local missionary work and offer a safe transportation option to the community.





MORE LIKE
THE KINGDOM

30
PEOPLE SAVED


COVID-19 HAS CAUSED A LOT OF ADJUSTING -
THERE HAVE NOT BEEN ANY LARGE GROUP
GATHERINGS OR CHURCHES PLANTED DURING
THIS TIME.

42,780
MEALS SERVED

THROUGH MUPE DURING OUR
CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE



food distribution



"WHAT GIVES ME
HOPE IS THAT IN
TIMES WHEN WE
FEEL HOPELESS
THE LORD
DELIVERS.

During the pandemic a lot of people felt forgotten, and unimportant. When we delivered food to them, they were reminded that the Lord loves them, and that gave them hope. Reminding people that they are valuable to their community and that they matter is a huge thing and that's what we do when we deliver food to those in crisis.

We want people to see Jesus through our actions not just what we preach."
- Janet Kosgei

PROJECTS:

Church Planting

After decades of civil war — our partners are helping to replant churches in the post war areas of South Sudan. They are walking with internally displaced people groups who have fled their villages during the war and are working to establish new communities. Offering vocational and theological training for church leaders and pastors, our partners are building up the capacity of the local church.

Farmers co-op

Working under a business as mission model — our partners have established a farmers co-op. The co-op shares land, best farming practices, feeds families and sells the abundance at the market to invest in new farming supplies.

28,800
MEALS SERVED

THROUGH EFCSS DURING OUR
CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE

**EVANGELICAL
FREE CHURCH
OF SOUTH
SUDAN**



KENSUD

PROJECTS:

Medical clinics

Our partners establish medical clinics in areas where there are none, or revitalize clinics that have been shut down. They meet the physical and spiritual needs of the community with a clinic staffed by medical professionals who also share the gospel.

Education

Education paves the way for opportunity — specifically for young girls in East Africa. With large families, everyone is encouraged to contribute to the family income at a young age. Many girls enter into prostitution because they feel like it's the only option to earn money to support their family. Our partners work with young women and mothers to encourage the importance of education and the access to dignified job opportunities that education provides.



“My hope is built on nothing less than the unshaken foundation of my faith in Christ Jesus. KenSud’s hope is to see the church of Christ in all people through these activities. We believe God is going to bless the growth [of these activities] as we continue doing it the way He wants. Communities will have access to health services, children will get an education, and poverty will be eradicated.”

- Willy Komen

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12,002
MEALS SERVED

THROUGH KENSUD DURING OUR CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE





AFRICAN EVANGELICAL CHRISTIAN MISSION

Our partners have established a school, a clinic and a church serving the community mentally, physically and spiritually, and growing their capacity to move out of poverty into their God given potential. They train pastors and missionaries through an extensive network of local churches and emphasize freedom from bondage through Christ.

350
PEOPLE SAVED

WITH STRICT LOCK DOWNS IN THE COUNTRY
OUR PARTNERS HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO
PLANT ANY NEW CHURCHES

12,000
MEALS SERVED
THROUGH AECM DURING OUR CORONAVIRUS
RESPONSE

HINDUSTAN BIBLE INSTITUTE



Over a quarter million meals have been served across India during this pandemic. Many people have been served with food rations, rest, shelter, work, and dignity through the efforts of our partners.

We've seen extraordinary ownership as pastors and churches in India have stepped out in faith to meet the needs of the people in their communities. As one pastor or church has stepped out in faith, others have taken notice and been encouraged to do the same. God has moved in beautiful ways. Relationships with the people they are serving are forming — through which the gospel can be displayed and proclaimed. "It's catching like wildfire," proclaimed our local partner. Churches are being mobilized and the Lord is moving and hundreds of thousands are being cared for across India.

PROJECT:

Farm Project

Agriculture is one of only a few industries that has continued to grow and flourish despite global shelter in place orders. As thousands of migrant workers became stranded in India, our partners found a solution to multiply their impact. They cultivated an empty plot of land and offered migrant workers shifts to plant and harvest crops.

THE PROJECT QUICKLY GREW AND THEY HAVE BEEN ABLE TO HIRE NEARLY 200 PEOPLE.

The farm has also already produced a harvest of spinach and okra which were sold and the profits have gone back into the farm to create a self sustaining model. A well has been dug and a fish farm will soon be established as well. Our partners are planning to scale and re-create this model at all seven of their centers across India, providing dignified income opportunities and touch points to share the gospel with hundreds of people.



“I just want to say thank you for your prayers and generous support. Your ministry through us is helping us to do a small part to see communities look more like the Kingdom. We may not be able to touch all the peoples but the ones we do, we can make a difference.” – Dr. Bobby Gupta

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351,525
MEALS SERVED

THROUGH HBI DURING OUR
CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE





GLOBAL IMPACT

BECAUSE OF PATRONS LIKE YOU

200 PEOPLE
WHO WERE STRANDED
WITHOUT HOPE ARE EARNING
AN INCOME ON A FARM IN
INDIA

AND

105 WOMEN
IN PAKISTAN ARE LEARNING
SKILLS THAT EARN THEM A
DIGNIFIED INCOME THROUGH
SEWING PROJECTS

PAKISTAN

PROJECT:

Sewing Centers

Our partners have opened three sewing centers in various cities. Each one is led by women, for women. Women in the sewing center programs are disciplined, taught a tangible skill and empowered to start their own business. Our partners are offering women a way out – learning skills to do dignified work and earn income so that they are not a burden to their family. The sewing centers provide an opportunity for women to provide for themselves.

1 CHURCH PLANTED

292 PEOPLE SAVED

41,472 MEALS SERVED

THROUGH OUR PARTNERS IN PAKISTAN
DURING OUR CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE



food distribution

A WORLD TRANSFORMED

Roughly one year ago, our partners in Pakistan worked with and through the local church to establish sewing centers in 3 cities. This initiative was birthed, in part, as a response to the growing hostility and persecution of the Christian minority in Pakistan. This persecution has naturally affected one of the most vulnerable parts of any community, the women. Women in this part of the world can be regular targets of sex trafficking, forced prostitution and involuntary marriage. The sewing centers are the prayerful imagination of these pastors and leaders to train women in vocational skills to

give them dignity and aid them in contributing financially to their family and community.

Three times a week, women travel from around the rural community to a small church building to share life and learn a skill. The holistic curriculum gives women hands on skills as they take turns working on machines, learning many different technical stitching skills, the basics of money management, and running a business. Through all of these practical lessons, the women also learn about the honor that comes from knowing Christ.





While this seems like a simple enough experience in the midst of the week, the physical and emotional barriers are enormous. For some women, the travel and time away from their families is costly. For other, younger women, they experience teasing and jeering from men along the road as they travel to the center.

Women in Pakistan are told a story of subjugation, submission, and lack of identity. **From the time they are young, their worth is determined by how helpful they are around the home and how marriable they are when they are older.** In a culture where men are valued exponentially more than women because of the monetary contributions they can make to a family – these sewing centers were established to write a different story for these women in their communities. The skills that these women are gaining and the subsequent contributions they make to their families are changing the way they are viewed in their homes.

One mother shared, “My daughter is not like a daughter to our family, but like a strong son.” These words may seem harsh to Western ears, but they are filled with honor for a woman in Pakistan. A narrative is being altered in this family that will impact generations of women.

Because of supportive patrons like you – rural Pakistani villages look more like the Kingdom of God everyday. Through vocational education, women are developing their skills and talents. Through learning together in community, they are developing relationships and finding a safe space to laugh and share life. And through these learned skills, they are developing businesses which contribute financially to their families, **thereby rewriting the stories of honor and dignity for women in their communities.**



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NORTH AFRICA TEAM

PROJECT:

Christian School

With such a large percentage of the population being under 25 — our partners have recognized the importance of educational interventions. There are few Christian schools in the area and public schools lack the resources to attract competent teachers. Our partners are working to found an internationally accredited Christian k-12 school. The school will provide great education to students and create natural opportunities for students, their families and the larger community to experience the gospel.

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808,000

**MEALS
SERVED**

**TO THOSE IN NEED AS PART OF
OUR COVID-19 RESPONSE**

TRANSFORMATION

NEPAL

If you ask our partners in Nepal what they do, they would say, “We only do one thing, we plant churches.” Our partners are mentoring people towards their God given purpose and instilling confidence and self worth.

PROJECT:

Coffee Project

Arabica beans have to be grown at extremely high altitudes, making Nepal a perfect planting ground. Our partners have worked with local pastors to grow their own coffee and have a local coffee shop to sell their product. They have a stretch goal of reaching international markets and Mission ONE is helping them grow this project to create an income for local pastors and employ individuals in the larger community.





food distribution

HOPE DISCOVERED



31 PEOPLE SAVED

WITH STRICT LOCK DOWNS IN THE
COUNTRY OUR PARTNERS HAVE
NOT BEEN ABLE TO PLANT ANY
NEW CHURCHES

78,400 MEALS SERVED

THROUGH TN DURING OUR
CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE



" Our community looks more like the Kingdom of God because barriers are being broken down, the church is moving to love and care for the lowest in society, and people are coming to Christ."

- MISSION ONE PARTNER

PROJECT:

THE MIDDLE EAST

Repatriation

Our partners in the Middle East are walking alongside refugees to rebuild. Within the refugee camps our partners have been distributing food and diesel for heat during cold months. As the situation stabilizes our partners have begun to repatriate families. They help families, who had to flee from war, move back to their original neighborhoods and rebuild their businesses to create an income source for sustainability. Former salon owners, bakers, and farmers who have been unable to work while living in refugee camps are heading home with support.

REBUILDING HAS INHERENT DIGNITY.

Our partners in the Middle East are rebuilding businesses which contributes to the dignity of vocation. They are rebuilding homes which provides the dignity of a safe, healthy place to live and raise children. They are rebuilding relationships which gives dignity to once again be a part of a tribe, a community that loves and cares for one another. The separation of families and communities has been overcome because of this project.





5 CHURCHES
PLANTED

50 PEOPLE SAVED

38,400 MEALS SERVED

THROUGH OUR PARTNERS IN THE
MIDDLE EAST DURING OUR
CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE



RELATIONSHIPS BUILT

R E S T O R I N G H O N O R T H R O U G H S H A M E

Mission ONE was invited to collaborate with the Middle Eastern Women's Leadership Network to develop a course on the subject of honor and shame. The material examines biblical truths, the life and gospel of Jesus Christ, and lessons from history about cultural transformations through honor and shame.

We consider beautiful ways that women are dignified in the story of Jesus. We discover that in Jesus our Messiah-King, shame is transformed into honor. We find in Jesus Christ a reservoir of honor that never runs dry. Christ's body, the church, is to be an honor-giving community in practical ways.



REACH OUT MINISTRIES



PROJECT:

Church Planting

Together, Mission ONE and NEO are working in South Sudan to plant gospel-centered churches in post-war areas of the country. After many years of civil war, the world's newest country faces a host of challenges. Our partners are working to raise up leaders in the church and work alongside communities to engage families and children in learning biblical truths. In these war-torn communities, internally displaced people groups are also receiving vocational and theological training through their local churches.



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GLOBAL IMPACT

**BECAUSE OF
PATRONS
LIKE YOU**

**1055 PEOPLE
BECAME
FOLLOWERS
OF CHRIST**



THROUGH THE GLOBAL CHURCH

Help us invite more people to join us in our mission to make communities more like the Kingdom. Screen shot any page of this report and share it with your networks via social platforms, text or email. This small act of sharing can create waves of momentum.

Thank you for your partnership in the global gospel.

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