

Fostering Adventures of Hope

Spring 2025

It is spring here in the mountains, though several days ago you wouldn't have known as we received 10" of snow two days before Easter. However, it is melting giving us a much needed moisture and revealing sprigs of green.

God renews our spirit this way. There are seasons of winter. It appears that nothing is happening. But it is in these times that God is preparing us for next step - for the new growth of spring.

That's where we find ourselves this spring. In December of 2023 God led us to Westcliffe. We didn't really know what God had planned for us here. We joined a church and began serving there. Yet, we felt there was more in this relocation than swapping pews.

Like the much expected spring, we are seeing the emergence of God's anticipated call for us here this place.

Working with a few others from our church who share our passion for evangelism, we are creating a unique venture that is focused on evangelism in our area. It is not associated with a local church. We want people's ideas on how to share the gospel. We will train them, equip them and set them up to share their faith. Local churches may be invited along to assist; but our goal is not promoting a church - it is promoting the saving work of Jesus. Think of it as a city wide evangelism committee.

MISSION STATEMENT:

TO SPREAD THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST BY TRAINING AND EQUIPPING PEOPLE TO SHARE THIS GOSPEL IN THEIR COMMUNITY, REGION AND AROUND THE WORLD.



Our goal is that there will be at least one evangelical activity every week.

We will also be raising money to train and send people out on short term missions.

This is the vision God has given us. He called us into missions in 2017. We love sharing the gospel and we love infecting other people with that passion for sharing Jesus.

We are in the process of completing the paperwork for becoming a 501(c)(3) non-profit. Any contributions sent to us will be tax deductible.

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Thailand Wrap Up

In February, we joined 12 from the U.S., five from Indonesia and three from Myanmar in Chiang Mai, Thailand to tell people about Jesus. Honestly, I didn't expect great numbers from this trip. Most evangelical trips to eastern Europe and southeast Asia encounter pretty "hard soil." The churches had done a great job of getting us into schools. These schools are state run and the state religion is Buddhism. Yet we were able to share freely about the grace of God.

We would play a game with the kids, teach them a song and then tell them about Jesus. There is something deeply satisfying about hearing 80 kids sing, "I love you Jesus", in a school where there is a Buddha statue out front.



The final numbers were great for a country where less than 5% of the population is Christian. 2,211 people heard the gospel and 1,180 prayed to accept Christ.

How to support the spread of the gospel

- **Your prayers.** It is said a lot, but prayers do make a difference. Not everyone can travel on an airplane for 24 hours. But everyone can pray.
- **You can join us.** Help make snow cones, operate a puppet or talk to people. Join us on an international trip. You can be a part of this.
- **You can be a supporter.** We are self-supporting. We do not receive support from a denomination or from a church. Any money you send in will be used for missions and only missions. You may send tax deductible contributions to:

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Upcoming:

Late June: we travel to a Navajo reservation in New Mexico assisting in a vacation Bible school.

July: five days after New Mexico we jump on an airplane to Fiji for our next international mission trip.

October: Our third international trip this year, this time to the Philippines.

In the midst of all this, we will be spreading the gospel in this area at the senior citizens center, public parks and wherever people gather.