



MISSION INSPIRATIONS

IT'S ABOUT THE GOSPEL

God involves us in His mission not because He needs us, but because He loves us. And in His mercy, He has invited us to be involved in His sovereign design for the spread of the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

— David Platt

HOW CAN YOU CONTINUE THE MISSION?

“Giving to missions brings me joy! The more I give, the more joy I receive. God has placed a desire in my heart to support and encourage our missionaries and to cultivate a heart for missions in others. Investing in missions has eternal value.”

— Pam Buck, WMO Ambassador and Faithful Supporter of IM (TN)

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From Searching to Belonging: *Believers in Argentina Join the FWB Denomination*

In early April 2023, Kenneth Eagleton received an email that would mark the beginning of a life-changing connection for both our denomination and a group of believers in Argentina.

Pastor Nicolás Serrano, a church planter from Rosario, Argentina, developed an interest in and reached out seeking help in understanding and sharing the Reformed Arminian doctrine. What started as a simple request for prayer and materials quickly grew into a deeper and more meaningful relationship. Over two months of conversations, Kenneth learned about Nicolás' journey—his doubts about Calvinism, his study of Scripture, and the painful rejection he faced from his peers. Despite losing members and support, **Nicolás and his church (Familia de la Gracia Church) held onto their new-found theological convictions**, feeling orphaned and isolated.

The breakthrough came when Nicolás discovered the writings of Free Will Baptists, especially an article by Dr. Matt Pinson, which resonated deeply with him. The church, once struggling to find a community that shared their beliefs, saw in Free Will Baptists a potential church family. This shared doctrine, rich history, and strong missions program led them to reach out to Dr. Eddie Moody, who ultimately forwarded their request to Kenneth. After getting to know Nicolás and his church better, Kenneth was invited to visit them in Argentina in June 2023. Along with Pastor Daniel Gouvea, they traveled to Rosario, where they witnessed firsthand the passion and dedication of **the Familia de la Gracia Church**.

During the visit, it became clear that this church was eager for connection and



growth. Despite the hardships they faced, they were determined to find their place within a larger family of believers. By mid-July, **the church voted to officially join the Free Will Baptist denomination.**

Nicolás was invited to the U.S. to meet FWB leaders, learn more about the denomination, and learn more about our resources, including our theological writings. It was through a partnership with D6 Family Ministries (formerly Randall House) to translate and publish Free Will Baptist literature in Spanish, furthering their mission to reach their community and beyond.

Since then, the Familia de la Gracia Church has flourished. Not only has attendance increased, but they've also expanded into new neighborhoods and even launched a second campus. **They are training leaders, reaching out to new communities, and their network of sister churches is growing.** Despite Argentina's economic challenges, the church's vision for expansion is clear.

Through IM Global Partners and your support through the World Missions Offering, we are thrilled to continue to support this church's mission, helping them train future leaders and share the Gospel in a country hungry for hope. We are witnessing God's work in a powerful way, and our prayer is that this partnership will continue to bear fruit for His Kingdom.

Why not reach out to one of our missionaries who are in the States raising support and invite them to your church? They'd love to share about their ministry and how God is working around the world to fulfill the Great Commission. Scan the QR code to view the full list of missionaries who are Stateside. They'd love to hear from you!



Kids Learn About Missions Through WMO Curriculum

We are excited to announce the World Missions Offering Kids' Curriculum for 2025! It was written by Kristi Bryan (TN), a longtime friend and supporter of IM. This year's curriculum takes kids on a journey to some of our partnership ministries with an animated friend named Rio Toucan. Through Scripture, crafts, activities, and stories from IM Global Partners, kids will discover how they can *Learn, Pray, Give, Act, and Go*. View a sample of the lessons or download the full curriculum for free on our website here: www.iminc.org/wmo



IM Board to Meet in April



The IM board will meet on April 14-15, 2025. Pray for the candidates who will go before the board seeking approval to become missionary interns in the countries where they feel God has called them to serve. Please also pray for the many other important topics that will be discussed as we seek God's continued direction and guidance for our organization.

FAMILY HAPPENINGS

Jane and Callie Kettelman served on the Chapel Committee at their school, planning and leading a week of services during CAJ's Spiritual Life Emphasis Week.



Neil and Mandi Morgan's daughter, Aubrey, won gold in the European Championships for Brazilian Jui Jitsu. They shared, "We are so proud of her hard work and for the doors her training opens."



Tyler and Kellie Penn really looked forward to winter break because Mason and Millie came home from college. They enjoyed making some memories together on the pickleball court over break.



Melanie Torrison recently volunteered at our local "Night to Shine" event on February 7.



Debbie Driscoll received her U.S. citizenship on January 22.



While traveling through Alabama for their annual Missions Conference in January, **the Champion kids** got to experience snow for the first time.



The Carneys are thankful to have a college intern, **Faith Simpson**, in Japan for three months. She is also helping them with homeschooling their children!



Dennis and Mary Heath recently helped **Josh Provor** with the Shumen English classes in Bulgaria.



Scarlet Bishop was recently elected student body president for her Japanese elementary school for the upcoming school year (the Japanese school year begins in April).



The Portells' oldest daughter, McKenna, delivered her second daughter on February 24. Join them in thanking God for another granddaughter.



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