



What Would I Do with A Million Dollars?

By *Stacie Compton, WMO Coordinator*

Recently, my mother-in-law was in town for a visit as we celebrated my eldest daughter's high school graduation. We were sitting at the table as my husband was heading out the door for a round of golf. As he was leaving, he turned and said, "I'm out! Does anyone need anything before I leave?" To which his mother quipped back, "A million dollars!" We all laughed, and he left, but it led to a fun follow-up conversation. I said, "Nana, what would you do with a million dollars?" You have to understand, she is one of the most humble, generous, give-the-shirt-off-your-back kind of people you would ever meet. A woman of frugality and resourcefulness, she began to rattle off things like giving each of her three kids enough to finish paying off their homes, maybe buy a new car or a bigger home herself, go on a trip to "Hiwa-ya" (that's East Tennessee for "Hawaii"). She said she might even share some with the grandkids—to which my two girls perked up. We all tossed in some ideas of what we'd do with that kind of money, and it started me thinking, *what would I do with a million dollars?*

This question struck me so deeply because it's actually part of my role here at IM **to help us as an organization consistently raise one million dollars for the annual World Missions Offering (WMO)**. But it's more than that. What could we do for the Kingdom if Free Will Baptists around the world consistently gave one million dollars to the WMO? The truth is, at IM, we'd prayerfully spend every dime of the WMO to minister and share the Gospel of Christ to a lost world. This year, our theme rings out, **Give a Million. Reach a Million**. And that's precisely what we want to do. We long to reach a million souls with a presentation of the Gospel in a way they can respond. We do this because we ourselves have been changed by it, and we know the power within it.

I get "leaky eyes" here in the office sometimes when I listen to stories and prayer requests shared by our **Global Partners who benefit from those funds**. Just recently,



Dr. Kenneth Eagleton told us that Pastor Francis of the Samburu partnership had shared the Gospel with 10 people that day. He excitedly said, "Guys, that's 10 people who heard the Gospel for the first time in their lives!" My eyes immediately filled with tears, and my voice cracked, *praise the Lord!* These individuals received MP3 players with Scripture in their language. Life change began for them that day. **The WMO directly helps partnership ministries like this, and a million dollars could do so**

much to reach even more people.

Another often "leaky-eyed" moment around here is when we get to tell our newly appointed missionaries they are fully funded! Few things excite me more in this job than seeing them cross the "fully funded goal line." **The WMO directly connects by giving each newly appointed missionary seed money to help jump-start their fundraising journey**, reducing the time it takes for them to reach their appointed field with the Good News of Jesus. It is a JOY to read that email every time!

Finally, **the WMO allows ministry through the General Fund each year**. The General Fund supports more than just administrative details. It is the foundation for many ministries operating year-round at IM, such as helping high school and college students experience field ministry in a personal way, hearing and obeying the voice of the Lord and His call on their lives. It vets and trains new missionaries once they step into that calling. The IM Stateside Team provides care for all missionaries through the General Fund, addressing their needs and assisting them in any way we can.

So my question to you is, what would you do with a million dollars? What would you do with fifty dollars? **My challenge is to give it to the World Missions Offering this year as we strive to reach a million!** It was said to me the other day, "The only gift too small is the one you don't give at all." Be a part of what God is doing around the world through the WMO.

Be part of what God is doing around the world by supporting the World Missions Offering!

When you give to the WMO, you help support partnerships in 19 countries, provide new missionaries with start-up funds, and sustain IM's General Fund. Make a gift today towards the \$1 million goal as we all labor together to reach 1 million people with a presentation of the Gospel in a way they can respond to the Good News. Learn more, download resources, and give here: www.iminc.org/wmo



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!



New IM Global Partner

IM Global Partners is celebrating a new partnership agreement that will strengthen Free Will Baptist ministry efforts beyond traditional borders. In Honduras, IM Global Partners and the Panama Association of Free Will Baptists have joined together to support the country's only Free Will Baptist church. The partnership will focus on leadership development and church planting, creating new opportunities to reach communities across Honduras with the gospel.

This new partnership highlights the growing impact of national Free Will Baptist churches as they help expand ministry beyond their own countries.

Connect With IM During National Convention

Join our new **IM in Columbus 2026 National Convention Facebook group** to stay connected throughout the convention. You'll get exclusive behind-the-scenes content, live updates, IM event highlights and news, missionary stories, photos, and fun ways to engage with what God is doing through IM. It's the best place to connect with fellow IM supporters, interact with missionaries and staff, and experience the excitement of the National Convention—even if you can't attend in person! Request to join today: <http://www.facebook.com/groups/imincolombus2026/>

AN IM GOSPEL STORY

In October 2025, after two years of contacts and three teaching seminars in Togo, the Saint-Nazaire FWB Church in France, IM Global Partners, and the National Association of FWB in Ivory Coast signed a partnership agreement

to officially open Togo as a FWB mission field. Ivorian pastor Samuel and his wife Nina are serving as missionaries in Togo, supervising the implementation of churches alongside Togolese men who were already leading some independent congregations. Praise the Lord for a group of 12 people who were baptized in May 2026 in the FWB church in the city of Atakpamé.

— **A partnership Gospel story from Togo**

Seeing lives changed by Christ reminds us why we give to partnerships, missionaries, and ministries reaching people throughout Africa and beyond.

REFLECTION QUESTIONS: *How can you partner with someone to share the Gospel further than your immediate reach or circle of influence?*

FAMILY HAPPENINGS



Summer outreaches have begun! **The Champions** are thankful for the new people they have already made connections with.

We are excited to share **Lilah Voltz** was born on June 19! Join us in praying for **Jacob, Hailee, and Aurora** as they transition to a family of four.



Dennis and Carol

Teague enjoyed their time attending the Texas state meeting as they continue to travel and fundraise. They shared, "As we meet with people and travel, we share about the exciting times happening in France!"



The Johnsons have officially arrived on the field in France!

Robert Newton

arrived on

the field in Japan on June 25. Pray for him as he adjusts and begins his ministry there.



Reece Rooke will arrive on the field in Japan on July 9. We are excited to see how God will use him to reach the Japanese people with the Gospel!

Missionary Personnel Changes

Brenton and Debbie Driscoll have resigned from service as IM missionaries to Bulgaria as of June 1, 2026. So many of you have been a part of their impact in Bulgaria, and they want to say, "Thank you!" for faithfully supporting them through these seven years. Their lives have been dedicated to serving the Lord, and we pray God's continued blessings on their family in their next chapter of life as they faithfully serve Him.

Hannah Goucher is on Leave of Absence, effective July 1, 2026. Thank you for supporting her during the first two years of her internship in Hokkaido, Japan. Join us in praying for her wellness and direction.



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