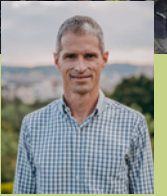


GLOBAL CHURCH PLANTING UPDATE: A MESSAGE FROM TOBIE MEYER

Greetings from Luanda!

(Luanda is the capital of Angola in Africa.)

I have heard countless stories of profound gospel transformations occurring in lives, families, and churches. People consistently express their gratitude for the impact City To City Africa has had on them. It feels surreal since I am quite distant—both linguistically and geographically—from the downstream effects of much of our efforts. Yet, this is how the gospel has always spread, flourished, and borne fruit. Praise be to the Lord for His beautiful, ever-advancing gospel. **Together with the church in Luanda, I am truly grateful for your upstream work with City To City Africa!**



Global Mission Partner
TOBIE MEYER
City to City Africa



Join us this summer for a blend of

serve hands-on service opportunities,

Informational meetings, **learn**

connect and events that foster connections.

SIGN UP TODAY!
Discover all the details about Come Serve With Us: Summer 2026 events by visiting cspc.net/news/!



HAVE YOU HEARD THE NEWS?

Cedar Springs members, just like you, are leading our CSWU events this summer!



CHECK THIS OUT!
Join Matt Fishbaugh, Director of Community Outreach, for an event at Cedar Springs as part of the Come Serve with Us!

CSPC Community Outreach & Sarang Church: Community Backpack Giveaway
Saturday, July 25
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church
9132 Kingston Pike | Knoxville, TN 37923

PLAY WITH CSPC SPORTS MINISTRY

FALL SOCCER LEAGUES

4 years to 8th Grade

Registration opens in Mid-July
Watch your email for updates!
Leagues may reach capacity quickly.



Mark your calendars and join us in prayer!

The UN Refugee Agency's WORLD REFUGEE DAY

Saturday, June 20

World Refugee Day is an international day established by the United Nations to honor refugees worldwide. It celebrates the strength and courage of individuals who have been forced to leave their home countries in search of safety from conflict or persecution.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT WORLD REFUGEE DAY 2026

20:25:30
CELEBRATING STORIES



Scott Sanders
Reach Australia



*Walk in thier shoes.
Step into their story.*
A World Refugee Day Workshop

Saturday, June 20
8:45 AM - 12:00 PM
Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church
9132 Kingston Pike
Knoxville, TN 37923

Workshop Includes:

- Interactive Immigrant Loss Activity
- Cultural Humility Session
- Discussion on Current Immigration Policies

Seating is limited, so be sure to secure your spot today!

A NOTE FROM ALLIE

I'd like to share a brief update from one of our partners, Reach Australia. This serves as a wonderful reminder and source of motivation for me that activities such as approving funding, managing budget lines, creating prayer folders, engaging advocates, forming circles, compiling partner lists, and producing annual reports – along with another response of "Yes, Piers is in Australia again!" – reflect what the Lord is doing and invites us to participate in. *It does actually translate into spreading the gospel.*

How fortunate are we?

I am grateful to witness this growth alongside all of you.

"So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth." 1 Corinthians 3:7



MISSION Snapshot

BECAUSE YOU SAID YES

Current Global Mission Partners

77

Church Planters

+

38

Global Organizations

+

23

Traditional Partners

20 : 25 : 30

180

Church Plants Funded To Date

44

Supported Local Partners



61

Volunteer Opportunities

with

21

Local Ministries

Short-Term Mission Trips

14

trips

to

14

countries

with

85

travelers

serving

25

partners

using

7%

of budget

Dates

Location

GMG Team

June 1 - 12

Thailand & Laos

Strategic Cities: Asia

July 16 - 26

Gouda, The Netherlands

European Refugee Ministries

August 13 - 23

Johannesburg, South Africa

Strategic Cities: Africa

October 8 - 18

Prague, Czech Republic

European Refugee Ministries

Beginning of November

Greece

European Refugee Ministries

November 1 - 7

Ethiopia, Africa

This trip is for Medical Professionals.

Ethiopia



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Do you have a few moments to spare this summer to make some friends?



2026 HELL Summer Schedule

Family Summer Soccer

Tuesdays
(Beginning June 9)
6:00 - 8:00 PM
CSPC Ball Field

All Ages Welcome

Teams will be created based on age.

Talk Time

Thursdays
(Beginning June 11)
9:30 - 11:00AM
CSPC Fellowship Hall

Talk Time will not be held on Thursday, July 2.



Immigration is a multifaceted issue that evokes strong opinions from various perspectives. As followers of Jesus, how can we approach this topic thoughtfully? **Click here to listen to a recent conversation on Immigration where a CSPC members sharing how Scripture has shaped their thinking about immigration through personal experience and expertise.**

Want to take some actionable steps to help the most vulnerable in our community?



Be Welcoming

Regardless of your circumstances, you can always offer a smile and a friendly greeting. A next step could be being intentional with connection and entering in to a conversation and maybe even sharing a meal.



Make Connections

There are intentional ways to connect and begin building deeper relationships. A local ministry such as KIN, can link individuals to refugee families in Knoxville, providing an opportunity for us to be the Church.



Donate

You can contribute to the global mission fund to help those in need around the world, or you may choose to donate essential items or **culturally-diverse foods**.



To explore specific ways to take your next step, consider reaching out directly to ministries such as Bridge and KIN OR connecting with one of our ministry staff members.

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Update on Lebanon

In times of distress, it's natural to feel overwhelmed by the news.

Let's come together in prayer for our partners in these war-torn regions. For guidance on how to pray specifically for our friends in these areas, please contact [Renee Cook](#) or [Elizabeth Anderson](#).

Join us in praying **Psalms 27** for those all over the world who are impacted by war, specifically for our partners in Lebanon and Iran.

"The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall. Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident. One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple. For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock. And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord. Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me! You have said, "Seek my face." My heart says to you, "Your face, Lord, do I seek." Hide not your face from me. Turn not your servant away in anger, O you who have been my help. Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation! For my father and my mother have forsaken me, but the Lord will take me in. Teach me your way, O Lord, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies. Give me not up to the will of my adversaries; for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out violence. I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living! Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!" Psalm 27

THIS SUMMER, YOU COULD BE A

Young Life Host Family

We are looking for **6** Host Families

June 24 - July 24

More Information at cspc.net/news



Click below to learn what it's like to host a student with YoungLife Spain in Aaron and Alicia Clevenger's Live Deeply story.



MONTHLY MINISTRY PARTNER HIGHLIGHT!

APRIL

LOCAL MINISTRY PARTNER

RUF's goal is to help students love God, love people, and love the university. The ministry aims to create safe, welcoming spaces for students to process the story of Jesus, grow in faith, and be connected to the church for lifelong discipleship and service.



UNIVERSITY OF
TENNESSEE

Meet the Cedar Springs Mission Ministry Staff



SUSIE ISAAC

GLOBAL MISSION ADMINISTRATOR
susieisaac@cspc.net

We are excited to welcome Susie as our new full-time Global Mission Administrator. Her experience with KIN and the Weekday School has equipped her well for this role. We are grateful for the experience and passion she brings to our team. Having previously contributed to the Missions team part-time, we have been so encouraged by her work and heart for the ministry. We look forward to seeing the impactful ways she will serve in this significant position.



summer 2026

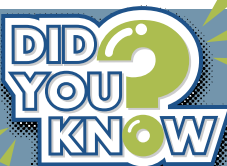
More Information coming this May!

Stay connected with our website for more updates. In just a few weeks, booklets highlighting events scheduled for June and July will be available at the Welcome Center. For more information, feel free to contact [Kathryn Ann](#).



Are you interested in short-term trips?

Reach out to [Susie Isaac](#) to learn more about the chance to collaborate with our mission partners overseas. Most of our short-term trips occur during the summer months, and availability is limited, so be sure to act fast!



Cedar Springs Supports the Local Knoxville Community through Donations from Our Congregation

Every day, needs emerge within our Knoxville community, and our church is dedicated to showing love to our neighbors.

- Do you have a toddler who has recently outgrown their crib? We might know someone who could benefit from it!
- Have a lovely couch that you no longer need? We may have a family that could use it!

If you're interested in helping with organizing or delivering donations to those in need, please contact [Kathryn Ann](#) or [Mark Steimer](#).

Join the Global Mission Group

Monday, May 11
6:30PM
in the
FELLOWSHIP HALL

Click here to discover
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Embracing Growth as Disciples

Growing as disciples means that we will be focusing outward. **Is your Sunday School considering adopting a ministry partner?**

Would you be willing to commit to an act of

service once every quarter? We collaborate with individuals throughout our community who have tangible needs, and we aim to respond with a resounding "yes." Explore our directory online to find a comprehensive list of partners, along with practical ways to pray for and support them.



THIS SUMMER, YOU COULD BE A

Young Life Host Family

Bring the mission field home.

June 24 - July 24



We are in need of

22

Host Families

Since 2011, our Young Life USA Camp program has provided Spanish students with the opportunity to stay with a Christian family, attend a week at Young Life Camp, and enhance their English skills.

By opening your home, you offer these students a chance to immerse themselves in American culture while experiencing a loving family life devoted to following Jesus.

Language

You do not need to be bi-lingual to participate! We encourage families to use English as often as possible when speaking with the students.

Interested in learning more?

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Allie Dempsey
allicedempsey@cspc.net



Daily Routine

Students can be included when running errands, visiting fun places, and shopping. Simple activities like sharing meals can have a significant impact.

Flexible Hosting Durations

Students can stay with you for 1 week, 2 weeks, or the entire time.



Registration Open Now!

IMMIGRATION
A BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE

Immigration is a multifaceted issue that evokes strong opinions from various perspectives. As followers of Jesus, how can we approach this topic thoughtfully? **Beginning on Sunday March 29 at 9:30 AM, join us for a three-part series as three CSPC members tell us how Scripture has shaped their thinking about immigration through personal experience and expertise.**

New Program at KIN Coming Soon!

Sent Local is an initiative for mission-driven individuals to support and connect with local internationals. This program equips volunteers to assist in meeting the material, emotional, and spiritual needs of the international community right here in Knoxville. **For those interested in serving internationals in Knoxville, connect with KIN directly or email Kathryn Ann for assistance in making connections.**



2026 SPORTS SUMMER CAMPS

REGISTRATION OPEN!

BASKETBALL CAMP
JUNE 8 - 12

9AM - 3PM
Rising 3rd Graders to Rising 8th Graders
\$185 PER CAMPER

SOCCER CAMP
JUNE 15 - 19

9AM - NOON
Rising Kindergarteners & Rising 1st Graders
\$150 PER CAMPER

9AM - 3PM
Rising 2nd Graders to Rising 8th Graders
\$185 PER CAMPER

CHEER & DANCE CAMP
JUNE 22 - 26

9AM - NOON
Rising Kindergarteners to Rising 5th Graders
\$150 PER CAMPER

SEE YOU AT CAMP!



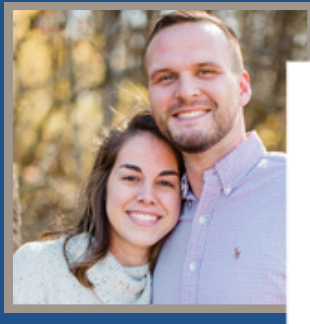
CEDAR SPRINGS
WEEKDAY
SCHOOL
FOSTERING FAITH, FUN, AND FUTURES

2026-2027
REGISTRATION
SPOTS AVAILABLE!



Equipping men who follow Christ, live with purpose, and lead with impact.

Meet the Cedar Springs Mission Ministry Staff



MATT FISHBAUGH

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY OUTREACH
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We are thrilled to welcome Matt Fishbaugh to the mission team as our new Director of Community Outreach. In this position, Matt will serve as a bridge between the community and the church, concentrating on nurturing and enhancing relationships within the Knoxville area and encouraging our members to engage in service opportunities. Please join us in extending a warm welcome to Matt. Don't hesitate to greet him and introduce yourself when you spot him in our hallways!



What happens when the gospel takes root in the middle of a fast-moving, restless city?

In just a few months, MhleNGI City Church in Johannesburg has grown significantly, nearly reaching full capacity for their current space with increased attendance, life groups, leadership development, and evangelistic relationships in the city.

[Click here for their latest update!](#)



How can we be praying for Lebanon?

One of our international mission partners who participated in this year's Mission Conference, Pierre Housney, serves as the Executive Director of Horizons International in Lebanon. Pierre is actively sharing updates about the current situation in Lebanon on his Instagram account. Click below to follow his account to learn more about how to pray for Lebanon.



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Pierre Rashad Housney
208 posts 2,002 followers 753 following
Nonprofit organization
Serving Jesus in Lebanon. Executive Director at Horizons
Founder of the MEC (Middle East Center for World Mission)
middleeastcenter.org and 1 more



Join the Global Mission Group

Monday, April 13
6:30PM
in the
FELLOWSHIP HALL

[Click here to discover more about the Global Mission Group.](#)

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A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed to making Alison's retirement truly memorable!

If you would still like to write her a brief note or letter, please send your messages via email to Allie Dempsey at alliedempsey@cspc.net.

CEDAR SPRINGS PRESBYTERIAN MISSION CONFERENCE CELEBRATING STORIES

The 2026 Mission Conference at Cedar Springs took place from February 1 through 8. This event was a beautiful celebration of all that God is accomplishing around the world, and we as a church are privileged to have a front row seat. We heard inspiring stories from partners both globally and locally. Lives are being transformed by the Gospel, and your ongoing generosity plays a vital role in making this possible.

Join us on for worship on Sunday, February 22 to see a full recap video!



Global Mission Group Open House

God is actively inviting us to join in His mission.

Monday, March 2 | 6:30PM
in the Fellowship Hall

Want to get connected with Mission? We invite you to our Global Mission Group Open House on Monday, March 2 at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Click here to find out more about the Open House!

Did you know that our Sports Ministry is a branch of mission? We believe this offers a great opportunity to invite neighbors and friends to be a part of a Christ-centered environment, where they can learn about the love of Jesus while having fun!

Consider becoming a coach to meaningfully impact the next generation!



CEDAR SPRINGS
**WEEKDAY
SCHOOL**
FOSTERING FAITH, FUN, AND FUTURES

**2026-2027
REGISTRATION
OPENS
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18**

PROGRAMS WE OFFER!

Part-Time Preschool
(2-5 years)

State-Certified Kindergarten
(Accredited)

School-Age Care Summer Camp
(Kindergarten - 5th Grade)

Full-Time Preschool
(2-5 years)

To learn more, visit
cedarspringsweekdayschool.com



Meet the Cedar Springs Mission Ministry Staff

KATHRYN ANN LAUX

LOCAL PARTNERSHIP COORDINATOR

“Being back on staff in the Mission Ministry at Cedar Springs has been a sweet homecoming. While there have been many changes that have occurred in the year and a half that I was away, I find that there is a renewed energy and zeal to see God’s mission carried out by and through our church. As we’ve just witnessed during the Mission Conference, God is at work all around the world! I look forward to once again connecting our church with opportunities to join Him by serving alongside our local ministry partners. Interested in getting plugged in? Please reach out to me at [kathrynann@cspc.net!](mailto:kathrynann@cspc.net)”

LEARN MORE



MONTHLY MINISTRY PARTNER HIGHLIGHT!

We invite you to join us in the Welcome Hall on Sunday, February 22 to learn more about how you can get involved with Bridge Refugee Services, a Local Ministry Partner supported by Cedar Springs.

FEBRUARY

LOCAL
MINISTRY
PARTNER



BRIDGE
REFUGEE SERVICES, INC.
DIGNITY • HOPE • OPPORTUNITY

www.bridgerefugees.org

Join us in saying a fond farewell to Alison Fleetwood!

Alison Fleetwood will be retiring from her role as the Mission Program Coordinator this March!

If her work has positively impacted your life during her time serving at Cedar Springs or beyond, we kindly ask you to write her a brief note or letter. Please send your messages via email to Jeanette George at jeanettegeorge@cspc.net. We will gather these notes and present them to her at her retirement party.

Join the Global Mission Group

Monday, March 2
6:30PM
in the
FELLOWSHIP HALL

Click here to discover
more about the Global
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GLOBAL MISSION GROUP TEAM HIGHLIGHT

2026 EUROPEAN REFUGEE MINISTRIES TEAM

European Refugee Ministries supports organizations responding to the refugee crisis, spreading hope in Christ through collaborations in countries including Lebanon, U.A.E., Germany, Greece, Finland, the Netherlands, Czechia, and Turkey.



Click here for a list
of partners
receiving support
from Cedar Springs
under the care of the
European Refugee
Ministries Team.

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INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE?

Visit the **European Refugee Ministries Team** during the **Global Mission Group Open House** on **Monday, March 2 at 6:30PM in the Fellowship Hall.**



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come
serve
with us
Holiday Edition
2025



We sincerely appreciate every volunteer who contributed to the success of our Come Serve With Us: Holiday Edition 2025. Your involvement makes a difference, and we invite you to stay connected and join us in upcoming opportunities. Thank you for your support and commitment.



CEDAR SPRINGS PRESBYTERIAN
MISSION CONFERENCE
CELEBRATING STORIES

FEBRUARY 1 - 8, 2026



STARTING **JANUARY 11, 2026**, JOIN US IN THE MISSION HALLWAY BETWEEN SERVICES TO:

- PURCHASE TICKETS TO MISSIONFEST
- REGISTER FOR MEN'S AND WOMEN'S EVENTS
- LEARN MORE ABOUT THE UPCOMING CONFERENCE!

CHECK OUT THE MISSION CONFERENCE 2026 WEBSITE TO HEAR MORE ABOUT THIS YEARS CONFERENCE. FIND THE GUEST LIST, SCHEDULE, KEYNOTE SPEAKERS AND MORE.

LOOKING FOR WAYS TO HELP OUT DURING THE CONFERENCE?



WE ARE SEEKING VOLUNTEERS! CLICK HERE TO ACCESS THE SIGN-UP GENIUS, OR REACH OUT TO SUSIE ISAAC VIA EMAIL FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.



LOOKING TO CREATE A MORE PERSONAL CONNECTION WITH A CONFERENCE GUEST? HOST THEM FOR A MEAL! EMAIL ALLIE DEMPSEY FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Join the
Global Mission Group

NEXT MEETING
Monday, January 12
6:30PM
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

Click here to
learn more!

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The temperatures are dropping. Consider helping.

Three
Ways to
Support
the



**Warming
Center**

Volunteer

Give Supplies

Donate

Volunteer opportunities include preparing and serving meals, providing childcare, offering career coaching, and assisting with special events.

2025 THANKSGIVING BOX DRIVE UPDATE

2025 Thanksgiving BOX DRIVE

We are truly grateful to Cedar Springs for your incredible response regarding the Thanksgiving Boxes. **BECAUSE YOU SAID YES**, we successfully provided 1,250 boxes to our community.



come serve with us Holiday Edition 2025

Bags of Hope exists to provide each child in foster care in Knoxville with a monogrammed duffle bag containing items of comfort just for them.

Each duffle bag costs \$25 to monogram and fill.

How can I participate?

1. Sponsor a Bags of Hope ornament for \$25.
2. Hang the ornament on your tree as a reminder to prayer for the child whose name is on it.



NOVEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
2 INVITE A FRIEND TO WORSHIP WITH US! SUNDAYS: 8 • 9:30 • 11AM	3 10:00 AM Generations Ministry: Thanksgiving Box Prep & Lunch	4	5 -FIG TREE Looking for a flexible opportunity? You can gather and deliver essential items to Fig Tree throughout the entire season!	6	7 5:30 PM Thanksgiving Box Drive: Box Construction	8 10:00 AM Special Needs Ministry: Buddy Blast
9 1:00 PM or 3:30 PM Thanksgiving Box Drive: Box Filling	10 8:30 AM Thanksgiving Box Drive: Car Loading	11	12	13 1:00 PM Compassion Coalition: Frontline 1 Training	14	15 Looking for a flexible opportunity? Bridge Hospice Services is looking for volunteers and donations to help with their program!
16 1:30 PM KICKO BAGS OF HOPE: Ministry: Graduation Celebration	17 FOCUS	18	19 10:30 AM KARME: "Every Bed, Every Day"	20 3:30 PM Lakeview Community: Thanksgiving Celebration	21	22
23 KICKO BAGS OF HOPE	24	25	26	27 Happy Thanksgiving	28	29

DECEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 RESCUE MINISTRIES	2 4:00 PM KARME: Serving with a Smile	3 7:00 PM Hands & Hearts: Informational Meeting	4 11:30 AM Samaritan Ministry: Hope for the Holidays Party	5	6	
7 INVITE A FRIEND TO WORSHIP WITH US! SUNDAYS: 8 • 9:30 • 11AM	8 Looking for a flexible opportunity? Cedar Springs (ELLY) Ministry is seeking volunteers for Talk Time on Monday!	9	10 4:00 PM KARME: Serving with a Smile	11 3:30 PM Lakeview Community: Christmas Celebration	12	13 11:30 AM Amachi: Holiday Party
14	15 VMC	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 KARME: "Every Bed, Every Day"	23	24	25	26	27



Find an opportunity to come serve with us this holiday season.

There is something for everyone, no matter your age!

Click here to come serve with us!

CEDAR SPRINGS PRESBYTERIAN MISSION CONFERENCE

CELEBRATING STORIES

FEBRUARY 1 - 8, 2026

Are you looking for ways to prepare as a family for our upcoming Mission Conference? Check out these resources!



God's Very Good Idea

Tales That Tell the Truth Series
By Trillia J. Newbell

Everyone can belong to God's diverse church! Inspire children to feel connected to the body of Christ and to promote love and inclusion in their lives.



Everyone A Child Should Know

By Clare Heath-Whyte

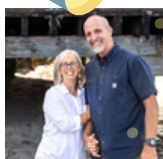
It's never too early to introduce the next generation to some of the heroes of faith! This book introduces young readers to men and women from all walks of life who wanted to live for their friend Jesus.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
2026 MISSION CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 1 - 8



Click here to learn more about ITEN

MISSION CONFERENCE GUEST SPOTLIGHT: MIKE & STEPHANIE KUHN



Mike Kuhn is the Director of the EPC's International Theological Education Network (ITEN), focused on training church leaders in unreached communities. With 28 years of experience, he specializes in discipleship and leadership development in Muslim-majority contexts. His wife, Stephanie, serves as a coordinator of communication for ITEN, implementing best practices in cross-cultural education. She supports ITEN's mission to develop leaders in areas where the gospel is less known, drawing on her international experience and educational expertise. ITEN partners with indigenous movements to develop leaders for new churches and church-planting movements among people groups with little access to the gospel or where it is misunderstood.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

LAKEVIEW APARTMENTS AT WESTLAND
9831 SUGAR MAGNOLIA WAY
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922-5214

THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER 20
4 - 6PM

Email Susie Isaac for more information.

CAN'T MAKE THIS ONE?

Join us in December!



Christmas Party

Thursday,
December 11
4 - 6PM

A Come Serve With Us: Holiday Edition Event

Join the Global Mission Group

NEXT MEETING
Monday, January 12
6:30PM
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

Click here to learn more!

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Looking for a flexible way to serve this holiday season?



Volunteer Ministry Center: Under the Tree Drive

Collect new items for those who are working toward attaining housing with VMC. A list of needed items can be found on page 16 of the Local Service Opportunities Guide. **Drop off items from December 15 to 18 at the VMC main office.** More information can be found at cspc.net/news.

2025 THANKSGIVING BOX DRIVE DETAILS



OUR GOAL



1,250 BOXES

X



\$60 PER BOX

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\$75,000

ADOPT-A-BOX!

Donate toward our goal of filling 1,250 boxes. We accept cash, check, and online giving by visiting cspc.net/give and selecting "Holiday Compassion".

new!

COME TO THE MISSION HALL BETWEEN SERVICES ON SUNDAYS TO MAKE CARD DONATIONS VIA SQUARE!

COLOR A CARD!

Pick up Thanksgiving Postcards from the Welcome Hall to color and return by Sunday, November 2.

VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME!

Click here to sign up at cspc.net/news!

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER
7

CSPC Thanksgiving Box Drive:
Box Construction
5:30 - 6:30 PM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER
9

CSPC Thanksgiving Box Drive:
Box Fillers
1:00 - 3:00 PM
3:30 - 5:30 PM

MONDAY, NOVEMBER
10

CSPC Thanksgiving Box Drive:
Car Loaders
8:30AM - 12:00 PM

PRAY FOR THE RECIPIENTS!

Join us in prayer for those receiving Thanksgiving Boxes, that they may feel Christ's love this holiday season.

SEPTEMBER MONTHLY MINISTRY PARTNER FOLLOW-UP



joni&friends

Click here to learn more how to get involved with Joni & Friends!

WHERE HAVE WE BEEN?

PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

Earlier this month, Cary Lewis returned to Prague with a team of four to collaborate with Tom and Petra Damms. Since 2015, Dignity: Restoring Hope has been supporting refugees in Prague, Czech Republic by addressing immediate physical needs, offering ongoing support for integration, and most importantly, fostering relationships that deepen their commitment to sharing the love of Jesus Christ and helping others grow in their faith. Cary and her teams are helping Dignity provide short retreats for the Ukrainian pastors that have started churches for refugees in Prague after being displaced by the war. **CLICK HERE TO BE PART OF THE TEAM TRAVELING IN JANUARY!**



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2026 MISSION CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 1 - 8



Click here to learn more about REACH AUSTRALIA.

MISSION CONFERENCE GUEST SPOTLIGHT: DR. COZ CROSSCOMBE WITH REACH AUSTRALIA



Coz Crosscombe, an Australian urban ministry leader since the 1990s, holds a Master of Arts in Global Urban Ministry and a Doctor of Ministry focusing on Complex Urban Systems. He and his wife, Joyce, have nearly three decades of experience in urban mission, economic development, and neighborhood transformation. Coz has held key positions at various institutions and ministries. He currently serves as a Community Engagement Pastor for the Anglican Diocese of Sydney and project director at The Well Training Centre. He partners with REACH AUSTRALIA, a network of established churches and church plants with a vision for multi-denominational church leaders around Australia to work together to reach Australia for Christ. Coz advocates for incarnational ministry, where leaders live within and understand their communities firsthand. His work promotes equipping local leaders to remain in their communities and enact sustainable transformation rather than relying on external "outsiders" to lead change.

RETIREMENT DINNER

Saturday, November 8 | 6PM



Carlos & Sandy Rios
Church Planters
TEAM Mexico



Andy & Bev Warren
Healthcare Mission
Ethiopia ACT



Bob & Teresa Ladage
Church Planters
Redeemer City to City Europe



Don & Amy Barber
International Graduate
School of Leadership
Team Philippines

[Click here to purchase your ticket!](#)



PERSPECTIVES USA



Cedar Springs is hosting a **Perspectives Course** this spring! Perspectives is a study program rooted in Scripture, clarifying each believer's remarkable opportunity to join God in His global purpose.

[Learn more about the Perspectives Course.](#)

Register Here!

CEDAR SPRINGS PRESBYTERIAN
Monday, January 19 - Monday, May 11 | 6 - 9 PM

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



FALL FESTIVAL

FOR THE RESIDENTS OF LAKEVIEW APARTMENTS
9831 Sugar Magnolia Way
Knoxville, TN 37922

**THURSDAY,
OCTOBER 23
4 - 6PM**

**CLICK HERE TO
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Upcoming Opportunities to Serve at Lakeview Apartments

Thanksgiving Event
Thursday, November 20
4 - 6PM

Christmas Event
Thursday, December 11
4 - 6PM

Email Lois Newton for more information!

Your donations would mean so much!

Cedar Springs' Women on Mission (WOM)
JOY LUNCHEON

On December 6, WOM will be hosting a "Joy Luncheon" for four local women's shelters.

Each woman who attends will have the opportunity to visit a "gift shop" and select items. To make this event special, WOM is requesting donations of **gently used purses, costume jewelry (excluding pierced earrings), and scarves.**

A donation box is available at the Reception Desk in the Administration Building.



**BECAUSE OF YOUR GENEROSITY,
CEDAR SPRINGS MISSION WAS
ABLE TO PARTNER WITH A
CHURCH PLANT IN DUBAI!**

"I want to express my deepest thanks to God for your awesome church. You are so kingdom minded and we are overwhelmed by his kindness through your congregation. Please send our gratitude in Christ to your leadership team and church."

-Dubai Church Planter

Join the Global Mission Group

[Click here to learn more!](#)

NEXT MEETING
Monday, November 10
6:30PM
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL



Guest Speakers
Carlos & Sandy Rios
Retiring from TEAM: Mexico

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Associate Director of Mission
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**HELP KEEP YOUR
NEIGHBORS WARM
THIS WINTER**



[LEARN MORE](#)

"I needed clothes and you clothed me... whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

Matthew 25:36 & 40



Collection:
10/20/25 - 11/7/25

Distribution:
11/17/25 - 12/6/25



KIN & KARM PARTNERSHIP

From October 20th to November 7th, drop off your old winter coats at any KARM location and mention that you are affiliated with KIN! In return, KIN will receive vouchers to provide international families with free winter coats from KARM!

AUGUST MONTHLY MINISTRY PARTNER FOLLOW-UP

HOPE

resource center

Click here to learn more about touring or volunteering with Hope Resource Center.

Here are a few simple ways to partner with Hope Resource Center:

- **Participate** in our monthly serve days
- **Prepare meals** for our parenting classes or baby showers
- **Assist** with our baby shower preparations once every quarter
- **Organize** a baby shower angel tree
- **Mentor** with our HOPE Moms Mentoring Program or our HOPE Dads Class
- **Serve** as a prayer partner
- **Become a clinic volunteer** (RN, LPN, CNA, or MA certification)

Help us raise awareness with our "1 and 1" Yearly Events program!

A HOPE staff member or representative will participate in an event held by your church and your church will participate in an event hosted by HOPE!



For prayer needs and more, sign up to receive our monthly Snapshot of HOPE eblast.



MEKONG MINISTRIES PRAYER UPDATE



PRAY FOR THE TAI LUE MINISTRY
Mekong Region

Building Leaders: Pray for Tai Lue/Tai Dam church leaders exploring the Bible and the Holy Spirit, empowering their outreach to unreached villages.

Freedom to Come: Pray for those seeking freedom from addiction in a neighboring community interested in the Freedom House project, that they may find true freedom in Christ.

Sing Praise: Thanks for young Tai Lue musicians creating praise music in their language; pray for their training in music production.

Responders: Pray for Tai Lue responders on Facebook to guide interested individuals in learning about Jesus.

Water the Seed: Pray for gospel spreaders in unreached Tai Lue villages in Myanmar, Laos, and Thailand, that they may demonstrate Jesus' love and nurture faith.

mekong ministries

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MISSION CONFERENCE GUEST SPOTLIGHT: PIERRE HOUSNEY WITH HORIZONS INTERNATIONAL



Pierre Rashad Houssney is a Lebanese-American involved in cross-cultural ministry with Muslims and international students. He holds a Bachelor's in Psychology from the University of Northern Colorado and is fluent in English and Arabic. Since 2006, he has worked full-time with Horizons International and contributed to teaching and curriculum development since 2002, notably co-editing "Engaging Islam" and developing training programs. Pierre has traveled to over 30 countries and gained field experience in the Middle East, starting with outreach in Lebanon as a teenager and music ministry during a gap year. He resides in Beirut with his wife, Gigi, and their three children, leading evangelism and discipleship centers, the School of Hope for refugee children, and the Middle East Center for World Missions. He trains Christians for effective ministry to Muslims and advocates for missiological efforts within the global missions community, fostering teamwork and leadership development.

Did you know that Cedar Springs's Sports Ministry offers a winter basketball league for 1st through 8th graders?

Registration opens Thursday, September 18th!



[CLICK HERE](#)



IT TAKES VOLUNTEERS LIKE YOU TO HELP MAKE THESE LEAGUES POSSIBLE!

Referees and coaches are needed for the Cedar Springs Sports Ministry. You don't need all the knowledge of the sport, only a desire to invest your time in our kids!

STORIES FROM THE FIELD

We had the opportunity to sit down with Tobie Meyer from City to City Africa to explore the growing church planting ministry throughout the continent of Africa. **Click to watch this engaging conversation!** They discuss how the residency program has positively impacted the health and quality of churches, while also providing valuable resources to support the establishment of more congregations. Discover inspiring stories of how God is working through thriving churches and among those who wish to see the church flourish. Cedar Springs has been privileged to support Tobie's ministry since its early days, and he shares with us the remarkable outcomes that our support has contributed to.



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2025

Thanksgiving

BOX DRIVE

OCT. 5 - NOV. 9

OUR GOAL

1,250 BOXES

x

\$60 PER BOX

=

\$75,000

Starting in October, boxes will be available for purchase both online and in the Welcome Hall!

INVITATION TO THE 2025 GLOBAL CHURCH MENTAL HEALTH SUMMIT



It's more than awareness.

It's about responding with wisdom and care.

The Church Mental Health Summit is a one-day global event offering practical, faith-informed strategies to help you care with compassion and confidence.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!

FREE EVENT!

- WHEN:** The Summit airs Friday, October 10, 2025 (all sessions are available for free for 24 hours)
- WHERE:** It's 100% online! (No travel, no cost, no pressure!)
- PRESENTATIONS:** 50+ sessions across 5 unique tracks (Covering the most pressing topics in church care and mental health.)
- COMMUNITY:** Access to a private online community where you can connect, share, and learn with other leaders.

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION!](#)

FOLLOW-UP FROM AUGUST GLOBAL MISSION GROUP MEETING



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VITA FREE TAX PREPARATION



Here are a few simple ways to partner with Connection Center:

Volunteer Orientation

First Wednesday of each month | 12PM | Cokesbury North Campus

Knoxville Legal Ministry Orientation

Fourth Tuesday of each month | 6PM | Cokesbury North Campus
Community Dinner | 5:30PM (Optional)

A SPECIAL INVITATION

Justice Knox Listening Session

Tuesday, August 26 | 6PM | Cokesbury North Campus
Community Dinner | 5:30PM (Optional)

We are very grateful to Kristine from the Connection Center for sharing her insights with our Global Mission Group on August 11!

Visit Connection Center's website to learn more about their mission and ministries.



IS IT TIME FOR A NEW BACKPACK?

Consider donating your gently-used backpack!

Friends that visit Fig Tree here in Knoxville can use backpacks to carry food, clothing, and other personal items. Drop off your gently-used backpacks at the reception desk in the Cedar Springs' Administration Building.

[Learn more about Fig Tree's Ministry here!](#)

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2026 MISSION CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 1 - 8



[CLICK HERE TO WATCH CARY LEWIS TALK ABOUT HER RECENT TRIP TO VISIT TOM & PETRA](#)

MISSION CONFERENCE GUEST SPOTLIGHT: TOM AND PETRA DAMMS



Petra Damms, from the Czech Republic, began aiding refugees in 2015 by volunteering at train stations, offering food and travel assistance. As policies changed, she expanded her efforts to detention centers, providing interpretation and accommodation support. In 2018, she founded the NGO Dignity: Restoring Hope, focusing on restoring dignity for displaced individuals. Alongside her husband Tom, she operates The Well community center in Prague, offering services like language classes, Bible studies, kids' camps, and support for Ukrainian soldiers. Their work, rooted in Christian faith, combines practical aid with spiritual encouragement for refugees, particularly from Ukraine and the Middle East.

CREATING DEEPER CONNECTIONS!

Young Life Spain

Trip Recap to YoungLife Camp in Barcelona, Spain



CSPC's Ministry Resident, Scottie Hill and his wife, JoBeth, along with their 8-month-old son Griffin joined CSPC college students on a trip to Young Life camp near Barcelona, Spain. Click here to read more about the beauty of shared service, joy of community, and the unexpected ways God shows up when we say yes.

MONTHLY MINISTRY PARTNER HIGHLIGHT!

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AUGUST 24

LOCAL MINISTRY PARTNER

HOPE
resource center

HELLO FALL UPDATE: A NEW DIRECTION FOR 2025

This event has been a cherished part of our church life, bringing joy and fellowship. This year's Hello Fall will adapt its format to better serve the local community, embracing change while honoring its vision. Although bittersweet, we are excited about the new possibilities that will still reflect our shared faith and love of Jesus.

Please take a moment to view a brief video for additional information.

You are invited!

BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR!

LAKEVIEW APARTMENTS AT WESTLAND
9831 Sugar Magnolia Way
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INTERESTED IN TUTORING?

CLICK HERE!

INTERESTED BEING A MENTOR TO WOMEN?

CLICK HERE!

INTERESTED VOLUNTEERING TO HELP AT MONTHLY EVENTS?

CLICK HERE!

MISSION INITIATIVE 20:25:30

PRAY, GIVE, GO

HOW CAN YOU BE INVOLVED WITH MISSION AT CEDAR SPRINGS?

- 1. **Join the Global Mission Group** - A church-wide group that meets monthly to pray for the needs of the world.
- 2. **Join the Short-Term Mission Trips** - A group that goes on short-term mission trips to various countries around the world.
- 3. **Join the Local Ministry Partners** - A group that works with local organizations to serve the community.

VISIT THE MISSION HALLWAY TO SEE OUR NEWEST PANEL INSTALLMENTS!

Meet our 20:25:30 Church Planting Global Mission Partners with our Mission Initiative panel and explore various ways you can engage with the Mission at Cedar Springs through our Pray, Go, Give panel.

Join the Global Mission Group

Monday, September 8
6:30PM
in the FELLOWSHIP HALL

Click here to discover more about the Global Mission Group.



WEST TEXAS FLOODING RELIEF FUND UPDATE

Click here to hear stories of survival and restoration!

A significant amount from the Cedar Springs Disaster Relief Fund has been released to Samaritan's Purse in response to the flooding in West Texas.

We aim to stay prepared at all times to respond effectively to local crises as they arise.

Are you interested in being a part of our Disaster Response Team? E-mail alliedempsey@cspc.net.

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COMPASSION CLOSET



JONI & FRIENDS



CSPC CARING MINISTRY



FISH FOOD PANTRY



KARM: EBED PREP



CAMPUS CLEAN-UP



KICKO WRAP PARTY



STOP BY AN ISAIAH 47 LEMONADE STAND BETWEEN JULY 18-20!

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA TO FIND LOCATIONS!

DID YOU FIND YOUR LIFE-LONG MISSION PARTNER? LET US KNOW!
Are you still looking? Contact us for more ways to get connected!

We hope that you participated in the Come Serve With Us events to gain a deeper understanding of our local ministry partners and their mission to serve our community. By fostering personal relationships with these organizations, you can engage in meaningful service at events they host for many years to come.

GLOBAL MISSION PARTNERS GUEST PASTOR FOR OUR CSPC SUMMER SERIES

CLICK HERE TO WATCH!

SUNDAY, JULY 6
THE OUTWARD DISCIPLINE
OF SUBMISSION

GUEST PASTOR



GIOTIS KANTARTZIS
FIRST GREEK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
OF ATHENS
ATHENS, GREECE

CLICK HERE TO WATCH!

SUNDAY, JULY 13
THE OUTWARD DISCIPLINE
OF SERVICE

GUEST PASTOR



GUNA RAMAN
CITY TO CITY
ASIA PACIFIC

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS IT!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3
THE CORPORATE DISCIPLINE
OF CELEBRATION

GUEST PASTOR



TOBIE MEYER
CITY TO CITY AFRICA
SOUTH AFRICA

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JULY 27

LOCAL
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**COMPASSION
COALITION**

An Initiative of Knoxville Leadership Foundation

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MISSION CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 1-8, 2026

20:25:30

CLICK HERE TO WATCH "STORIES FROM THE FIELD" WITH JULIO CHIANG

MISSION CONFERENCE GUEST SPOTLIGHT: JULIO CHIANG



Julio Chiang, a missionary with South America Mission, leads the Lima Initiative. Julio has emphasized in the ministry over the years the importance of forming leaders for the church in the context of the local church. This emphasis on church-based leadership development has given Julio a vision for the church having a transformational influence not only spiritually in people's lives but culturally in society. Phase II of the Lima Initiative saw the planting of a new church in Miraflores and expanding their impact in Lima and South America, focusing on long-term transformation through strategic church planting in response to urbanization. Phase I, launched in 2015, established City Church in La Molina and included incubators for church planters in Lima and other regional capitals in Peru. Julio continues to train and guide church planters within Peru and throughout South America.

short-term mission trips



Discover more information about these upcoming Short-Term Mission Trips clicking or scanning here!

Location	Contact	Dates
 CHINA	Jeff Haun	July 24 - 27
 MOZAMBIQUE	Angie Cannon	July 22 - August 4
 BARCELONA	Scottie Hill	July 27 - August 12
 CZECH REPUBLIC	Cary Lewis	September 25 - October 3
 ETHIOPIA ACT (Medical)	Mike Green	November 7 - 16

CREATING DEEPER CONNECTIONS!

Young Life Spain

Spanish Students traveled to Knoxville. Now, we are off to Spain!



Join us in praying for our Short-Term mission group as they head to Spain to partner with the Young Life Spain team! Their aim is to help create an environment for students to experience the Gospel during "Joventura", a week-long Young Life camp.



Are you or anyone you know attending UTK this fall?

Find out more about opportunities to join a campus ministry!

DID YOU KNOW?

Cedar Springs currently partners with nearly 20 individual campus ministries.

CHECK ONE OF THESE OUT:

- CAMPUS OUTREACH
- COLLEGIATE ABBEY
- THE CROSS (GREEK MINISTRY)
- INTERVARSITY
- NAVIGATORS
- NAVIGATORS INTERNATIONAL
- RUE
- RUE INTERNATIONAL



Click here to find an interactive list of our Local Mission Partners.



Attending another school in the Fall?

Reach out to Mark Steimer (CSPC Pastor of College) for information about campus ministries available at your school.



Come join us in prayer for the coming school year!

University of Tennessee Prayer Breakfast

Wednesday, August 6
6:30AM (Breakfast)
7AM (Prayer)

in the Watershed at Cedar Springs

[Register Here](#)

The time of prayer will include four guided prayer times led by leaders from both the university and the city.

Event Hosted by Collegiate Abbey
Event sponsored by HT Hackney, Home Federal Bank, Vessul Creative, K Brew, R&S Logistics, Olive St. Rising, Joan Cronan, and Donnie Smith

Join the Global Mission Group

Monday, August 11
6:30PM
in the Watershed

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JOIN THE STORY

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS (ELL) MINISTRY AND HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

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THERE ARE MANY MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO COME SERVE WITH US THIS SUMMER!
Local events for families & individuals, young & older!

UPDATE FROM BRAZIL: Church Planter Rafael Zacharias Martins



Pastor and new church planter, **Rafael Zacharias Martins of Bethaville Presbyterian Church in Barueri, Brazil**, recently provided updates after returning from our Mission Conference in February which he attended as a guest and speaker. Following his return, a devastating flood unexpectedly spurred transformation in the new church. In just a few months, they have completed a full sanctuary renovation which increased seating by 25%, celebrated baptisms, and welcomed his newborn son, Caio. The church's recovery showcased community teamwork and spiritual growth, alongside continuing their discipleship and ministry programs. This report highlights faith, unity, and divine provision.



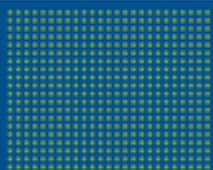
"We praise God because He transformed what seemed to be a great loss into an opportunity for expansion and improvement. 'For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord' (Isaiah 55:8)."

Click here to read the full report and be inspired by God's incredible work in Barueri!

Click here to watch the renovation of the space!

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THE WORLD'S CHURCH

CLICK HERE TO WATCH A VIDEO ABOUT DR. ERIC'S STORY!

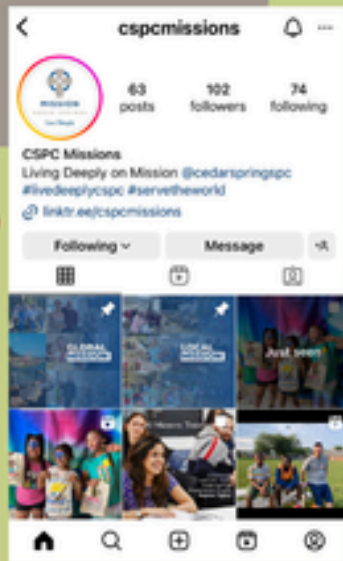
MISSION CONFERENCE GUEST SPOTLIGHT: DR. YASSIR ERIC



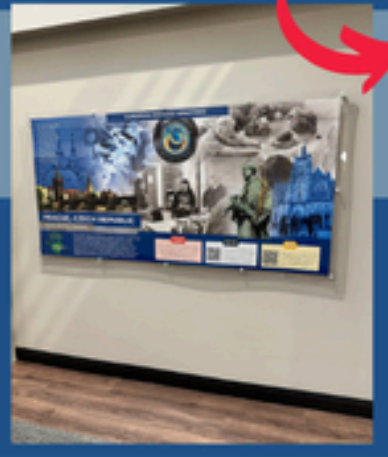
Bishop Dr. Yassir Eric, born in Sudan, was radicalized as a Muslim but experienced a transformative encounter at 19 that led him to embrace Christianity after witnessing a miraculous healing. This decision resulted in his disownment by family and imprisonment. After overcoming initial rejection from Christian communities, he deepened his faith with the help of a Swedish missionary. Yassir later moved to Kenya and Germany, becoming a pastor and ultimately the Presiding Bishop of the Muslim Background Believers (MBB) Ecclesia in the Global Anglican Church. He plays a key role in *Communio Messianica*, supporting a growing movement of Christians from Muslim backgrounds despite facing opposition. His journey showcases resilience and inspires support for MBBs across over 80 countries.



WANT TO KNOW WHAT IS HAPPENING IN MISSIONS THIS SUMMER?
Follow CSPC Mission [@cspcmissions] on Instagram!



MISSION HALLWAY **UPDATE**



Stop by the Mission Hallway to see the first panel installed highlighting our Global Mission Partner, European Refugee Ministry - **Dignity: Restoring Hope** in Prague, Czech Republic! **See more below!**

WHERE HAVE WE BEEN?

PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

This May, Cary Lewis, the Director of Communications at CSPC, journeyed to Prague to collaborate with Tom and Petra Damms. Her primary objective was to support a pastoral retreat designed for pastors who have established Ukrainian churches in Prague over the past few years. These churches provide essential ministry to Ukrainian refugees displaced by the war. These retreats are organized by Dignity: Restoring Hope and Collegiate Abbey here in Knoxville. Cary is excited to continue this work in the future by leading teams to Prague throughout the year.

Click here to read more about Cary's trip to Prague!



AL MASSIRA TRAINING

JUNE 14 & JUNE 21 | 8:30AM - 6PM
CEDAR SPRINGS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

This engaging training experience aims to empower participants to utilize the Al Massira resources with friends interested in exploring the message of Jesus Christ. It prepares aspiring group leaders to:

- Establish a group
- Follow the five practical steps of Al Massira
- Facilitate constructive discussions
- Address challenging questions

For additional information and to register, please reach out to **Bob Mackey** at mackey.training@gmail.com or **Issa Issac** at issa.isaac@almassira.org.



Discover more information about the upcoming **Short-term Mission Trips** as well as other Mission Events by clicking here or scanning the QR code!



Join us in the Welcome Hall on Sunday, June 22 to discover how you can get involved with CSPC ELL Ministry!

**MONTHLY
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HIGHLIGHT!**

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

**LOCAL
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This ministry offers **FREE ELL classes** along with childcare services! They are in need of teachers and conversation partners.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY CSWU OPPORTUNITY

ELL FAMILY SOCCER & FELLOWSHIP
Tuesdays (June 10 - July 29)
6:00 - 8:00PM
CSPC Ball Field



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ALPHA LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN LONDON, UK

Piers and Allie traveled to London to attend the Alpha Leadership Conference and explore a promising partnership with **Revitalize Trust**. This organization is seeking to revitalize the buildings of the Church of England and establish new churches to address the rapid growth of England's younger generation.



VISITING REFUGEE MINISTRIES IN EUROPE

Our the Mission Administrator, Alison Fleetwood, traveled to Europe with a team led by Dale Berry, who heads our refugee ministry. Together, they engaged with numerous international partners and listened to some truly remarkable stories.



MARY BETH BERRY AND ALISON FLEETWOOD (CENTER) WITH UKRAINIAN REFUGEES



ALL NATIONS' MISSION PARTNER, SALOME WITH UKRAINIAN REFUGEE



MARY BETH BERRY, MONIKA KRAMER, SANAZ, ALISON FLEETWOOD, AND HANNAH WANG AT DINNER WITH IRANIAN REFUGEES



STEVE FLEETWOOD, MOSTAFA, JUERGEN, AND DALE BERRY AT DINNER WITH IRANIAN REFUGEES



ESTHER VAN SCHIE AND MARY BETH BERRY IN CONTAINER HOUSING FOR AN IRANIAN REFUGEE



MISSION HALLWAY UPDATE

We are sure you have noticed our hallway is currently being renovated. But rest assured, the pictures will return! Our aim is to fill the hallway with images of our partners and members

collaborating to showcase the work God is doing globally. We are confident these updates will continue to highlight both ongoing and future mission projects.



Sample Panel



Visit cspc.net/mission to discover more about mission at Cedar Springs.

MONTHLY MINISTRY PARTNER HIGHLIGHT!

We invite you to join us in the Welcome Center to learn more about ways you can get involved with our Local Ministry Partners.

Click here to watch the Monthly Ministry Partner Highlight video for KIN!



Thank you to KIN for joining us in April to share about their ministry! Remember, we are still gathering gift cards for KIN. Look for the Gift Card Collection Box in the Welcome Hall.

MAY 18

LOCAL
MINISTRY
PARTNER



THIS SUMMER, YOU COULD BE A

Young Life Host Family

Bring the mission field home.

ONLY **3**
more host families needed!

June 24 - July 24



Interested in learning more?

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Allie Dempsey
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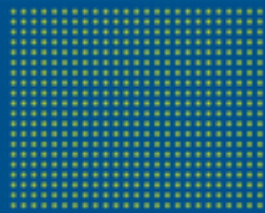
CLICK HERE FOR AN UPDATE FROM OUR GLOBAL MISSION PARTNERS:

ABHISHEK & JESSICA KUMAR



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

MISSION CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 1-8, 2026



20:25:30
FIVE HUNDRED CHURCHES

Our mission ministry is in year three of the 20:25:30 Mission Initiative, aimed at establishing and fortifying as many churches as possible by 2030. This year we are inviting church planters that are part of our 20:25:30 Mission Initiative and several of our classic missionary partners. **We are excited to already have more than 15 confirmed guests from around the globe!** Make plans now to join us as we hear their inspiring stories of God's work within the global church.

[Click Here](#)

for the Most Up-To-Date Information about the 2026 Mission Conference.

come
serve
with us
summer 2025



"Come Serve with Us" Summer Booklet & Sign-Ups available on May 18!

FIND A LIFE-LONG MISSION PARTNER THIS SUMMER!

SHORT-TERM MISSION OVER THE SUMMER!

	Mozambique	Strategic Cities: South Africa	June 30 - July 9
	Zimbabwe	Strategic Cities: South Africa	July 14 - 24
	Barcelona, Spain	Strategic Cities: Europe	July 27 - August 12
	China	Strategic Cities: Asia	July 24 - 27

Join us in person or in prayer for our summer short-term mission trips!



Discover more information about these upcoming

Short-term Mission Trips as well as other Mission Events by clicking here or scanning below!

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ALL NATIONS UPDATE FROM PIERS

ALL NATIONS
HAMBURG, GERMANY



Piers recently visited Hamburg, Germany, where he connected with an Iranian couple, Mostafa and Sana. They are establishing an Iranian church in the city, financially backed by our church. They collaborate with **All Nations**, our partner in refugee ministry in Hamburg. The church is flourishing, boasting about 160 members, and last year, they baptized around 50 people. Mostafa and Sana, themselves refugees who endured the challenging journey from Turkey to Germany, have lost everything, yet they have become a beacon of hope for Iranians seeking to rebuild their lives.

2025 LOCAL AND GLOBAL MISSION DIRECTORY & PRAYER GUIDE

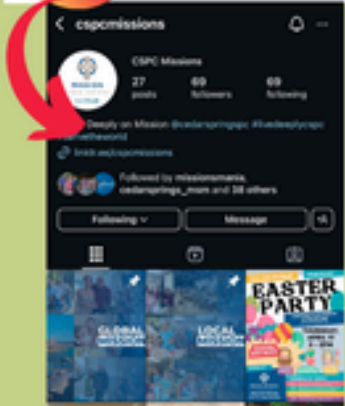


Scan here or click here to access the directory.

Cedar Springs Mission is responsible for a wide variety of ministry and evangelistic efforts through the service of the church body and through organizations that we support. This directory provides a brief snapshot of each ministry that we support, including ways that you can pray for and serve alongside these ministries and the people they serve.



Check out @cspcmissons on Instagram!

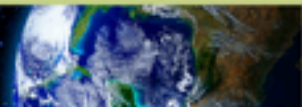


STORIES FROM THE FIELD

We had the opportunity to connect with church planter Julio Chiang in Lima, Peru, to get an update on God's hand on his ministry. **Click here to watch our conversation and hear directly from the field.** As we spoke with Julio, it was clear that his passion for spreading the gospel is unwavering. He shares inspiring stories of transformation and hope, highlighting how the community has come together in faith. Despite the challenges, Julio's ministry continues to thrive, with new initiatives aimed at reaching more people and fostering deeper connections. We are grateful for the opportunity to support such impactful work and invite you to join us in prayer for Julio and his team as they carry forward the mission of growing the church.



ENGAGE: Every Church, Every Saint in Great Commission Advance



Engage is an activity-based seminar designed to equip and mobilize believers and churches - **the harvest force** - to reach the **harvest field** both locally and globally.

Saturday, April 12
8AM - 3PM
Redeemer Church
of Knoxville
1624 Highland Ave
Knoxville, TN 37916



Scan here or click here to register for this event.

Seminar Highlights:

Biblical Mandate - Understand every believer and every church's role in the Great Commission.

Explore the unreached in your community and around the world.

Enter - Learn about natural points of contact in the harvest field.

Engage - Discover opportunities to send, go, and welcome.

Free Event with a recommended donation of \$35 to help cover expenses.

mtw making disciples, multiplying churches.

PARACLETE
mission group

Want to be a part of Mission at Cedar Springs?

You are invited to attend our Global Mission Group meeting this Monday (April 17) at 6:30PM in the Watershed.

MONTHLY MINISTRY PARTNER HIGHLIGHT!

Did you hear about our March
Monthly Ministry Partner?



<https://safe-families.org>

APRIL

LOCAL
MINISTRY
PARTNER



**KNOXVILLE
INTERNATIONALS
NETWORK**

kin-connect.org

MIDDLE SCHOOL BLITZ HELD MARCH 7-8

Blitz is our 8th grade led in-town service retreat for all of our students.

This year our students served **KICKO** by packing more than 15,000 easter eggs and treat bags.



SATURDAY MORNING WITH MISSION: THE CHURCH DURING WARTIME

On Saturday, March 29, the mission ministry hosted Pavlo Protopopov, a national leader of M4 in Ukraine, as he shared insights on church planting amid the war. Pavlo envisions a culture deeply passionate about church planting, both in Ukraine and beyond. If you were unable to attend in-person, you can hear more about his story [here](#).



PAVLO PROTOPOPOV
M4 Ukraine National Leader

Discover more information about these upcoming **Short-term Mission Trips** as well as other Mission Events by clicking here or scanning below!



Location	Team	Dates
Germany & Netherlands	European Refugee	April 22 - May 2
Mozambique	Strategic Cities: South Africa	June 30 - July 9
Costa Rica	Student Ministry	July 12 - 19
Zimbabwe	Strategic Cities: South Africa	July 14 - 24
China	Strategic Cities: Asia	July 19 - 22 & July 24 - 27
Barcelona, Spain	Strategic Cities: Europe	July 27 - August 12
Gouda, Netherlands	European Refugee	August 25 - 29
Athens, Greece	European Refugee	October 31
Ethiopia	Ethiopia ACT (Medical)	November 7 - 16

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MAKE AN IMPACT WITH YOUR DONATIONS!



A simple yet effective way to contribute is by donating to KARM Stores. You can

contribute clothing, toys, home decor, kitchen items, tools, and much more. Remember to mention Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church when making your donation! KARM tracks these contributions and provides quarterly gift cards to CSPC that assist with our walk-in neighbors, partner organizations, and mission partners.

CEDAR SPRINGS PRESBYTERIAN

MISSION CONFERENCE

20:25:30



20 HUBS x 25 PLANTS BY 2030

Church planting is a FAITHFUL & FRUITFUL response to God's call in the gospel. This year's conference focused on the 20:25:30 Initiative, featuring guests from around the globe highlighting the efforts being made in global church planting. **Thank you for joining us to hear inspiring stories of God's work within the global church from 23 church planters from 14 countries. It is our prayer that their stories serve as a constant reminder of the power of faith and the impact God is making in their communities. We encourage you to stay connected, continue the conversations, and explore ways to support our church planting mission partners.**



We certainly missed you if you were unable to join us this year!
Stay tuned for more updates and opportunities to get involved with our mission partners!

[Click here to learn more about the 20:25:30 Mission Conference 2025!](#)

WHERE HAVE WE BEEN?

PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

Mark Steimer and Cary Lewis took a group of college students to visit our ministry partners in Prague. They worked with Tom and Petra Damms and their refugee ministry, Dignity: Restoring Hope.



Interested in learning more about upcoming Short-Term Mission Trips?

[CLICK HERE!](#)

Have you heard? A new way to meet our local ministry partners is starting soon!

MONTHLY MINISTRY PARTNER HIGHLIGHT!

Starting on Sunday, March 23, Cedar Springs will host one of our local ministry partners on the fourth Sunday of every month. We invite you to join us in the Welcome Center to learn more about ways you can get involved with the organization.

MARCH LOCAL MINISTRY PARTNER



Safe Families for Children
<https://safe-families.org>

THIS SUMMER, YOU COULD BE A

Young Life Host Family

Bring the mission field home.

June 24 - July 24



We are in need of **23** Host Families

Since 2011, our Young Life USA Camp program has provided Spanish students with the opportunity to stay with a Christian family, attend a week at Young Life Camp, and enhance their English skills.

Language
 You do not need to be bi-lingual to participate! We encourage families to use English as often as possible when speaking with the students.

Flexible Hosting Durations
 Students can stay with you for 1 week, 2 weeks, or the entire time.

By opening your home, you offer these students a chance to immerse themselves in American culture while experiencing a loving family life devoted to following Jesus.

Interested in learning more?
 Sam Beltran sbeltran@younglife.org
 Allie Dempsey aliedempsey@cspc.net

Daily Routine
 Students can be included when running errands, visiting fun places, and shopping. Simple activities like sharing meals can have a significant impact.






AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRAY

We have numerous ministry partners spreading the love of Jesus in nations where Ramadan will be observed in March. As the Muslim community enters this month of fasting and reflection, we have a chance to unite in prayer for their hearts to be receptive to the gospel. Prayer Tools is asking for commitments to pray throughout March, offering resources, daily reminders, and prayer prompts. **Click on the image to discover more about this opportunity to pray!**



Pray for Muslims during **Ramadan 2025** March 1-30

- 1 SCAN the QR Code.
- 2 SIGN UP to pray 15min/day for 30 days.
- 3 INVITE your friends and family to pray too!

ONLY 15 minutes a day GET STARTED NOW



COFFEE HOUR WITH ETHIOPIA ACT



In our December Newsletter, we shared that Mike Green had led Ethiopia to collaborate with our long-standing partner, Ethiopia ACT. You can view an update about this ministry [here](#).

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You are invited to join us for

GLOBAL MISSION GROUP OPEN MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 10 • 6:30PM

[LEARN MORE](https://cspc.net/news) 

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JANUARY NEWSLETTER

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FEBRUARY 2 - 9, 2025

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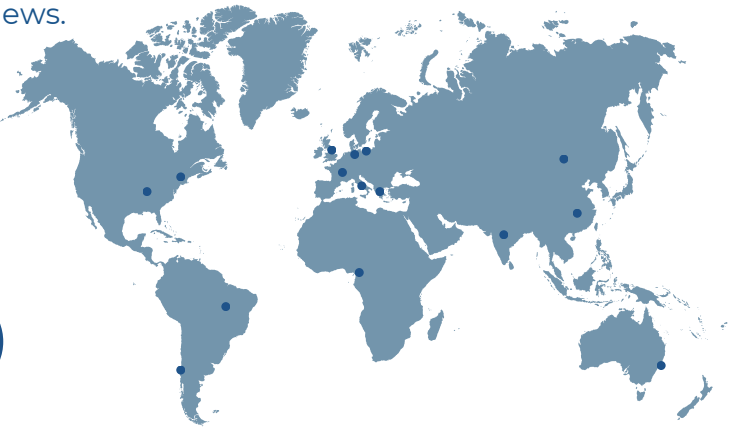


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Missionary partners will be joining us from:

- Australia
- Brazil
- Cameroon
- Chile
- China
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- India
- Italy
- Mongolia
- Poland
- United Kingdom
- United States



[Click here for the Conference Schedule, Guest List, and more information!](#)

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MISSION CONFERENCE

2025 GUEST BIOGRAPHIES



MOUYASSAR ALSHARIF

Growing up in Syria in a Druzi community, Mouyassar got to know Jesus after encountering God's love through Christians on the road to

Germany as a refugee. He became a disciple maker and catalyst who is now raising leaders among the Arab speakers and Kurds to start house church movements in Hamburg, Germany with All Nations Germany. In addition to this, he coaches and trains leaders throughout the world. As a gifted teacher, he is now finishing his bachelor's in theology at Bethlehem College.



FELIPE CONTESSE

Felipe is currently an elder at "Cristo Mi Pastor" Church in Santiago, Chile. He is actively involved in a mission he founded in 2017 along with Pastor Juan

Pablo Juica in the city of Curicó, located approximately 120 miles south of Santiago. His greatest passion today is working and collaborating in church planting efforts in Chile. They are currently working on six church plants and have several more in the planning stages. He is also on the board in Chile of Martin Bucer Theological Seminar. He has been married Catalina for 12 years and they have two daughters with one more expected in May 2025.



TIM COOMAR

Tim, born in London to Christian Greek-Sri Lankan parents, had a transformative encounter with Christ at 17 after turning away in his teens. He studied

Moslem Greek and German at Cambridge, feeling called to gospel work in Greece while in Thessalonica. After working with the International Student ministry, he moved to Athens to intern at a church, where he became one of the first church planters under a new vision. Tim completed a six-week training in New York and successfully planted a church in Exarcheia, Athens, which thrived during the pandemic due to a building acquired in 2018. In May 2024, he started serving as Interim Director for City to City Europe. He is married to Cynthia, an Athenian, and they have three children: Anna (11), Jane (9), and Jonathan (4).



PETE EVANS

Pete is the lead pastor of Trinity Church in Manchester, where he focuses on planting healthy, culturally engaged churches to bring gospel renewal in a post-Christian UK. Despite growing up uninterested in faith, Pete experienced a transformative encounter with Jesus at 15, leading him to pursue full-time ministry and church planting. Trinity Church, planted during the COVID-19 lockdown, has seen growth as people rediscover God's grace. Pete and his wife Hannah, who met at university, have been married since 2010 and have two sons, Jack and Owen. Together, they have launched and led three church plants, with Pete having over a decade of pastoral ministry experience in both the UK and the US.



ALFREDO FORHANS

For several years Alfredo was one of the leaders of the gospel and church planting movement in Cuba. He has been living in the US for some time now and

is part of the leadership of EPC Church Planting, in his position as Regional Director for Latin Church Planting. Alfredo is married to Daniel and have three children. Their daughters are married and he has two grandchildren.

J

I grew up on the mission field in Mexico City and first went to China in 2004 to teach summer English. He has been working with China Partnership since graduating from Covenant College in Lookout Mountain, GA. For three years he lived in a major Chinese city studying Chinese, doing campus ministry, and coordinating ministry between US and Chinese churches. He has worked with China Partnership for 18 years and currently serves as its Vice President. J is passionate to share about God's work in China. J lives in New York City with his wife and son and serves on the management team at Renaissance Church.



CHINZO JARGALSADKHAN

Chinzo is a Mongolian pastor and theologian with a Master of Theology from Dallas Theological Seminary and a BA from the University of Finance and Economics in Ulaanbaatar. After his ministry training in the U.S., he returned to Mongolia in 2009 to establish the Word of Truth Church, where he pastored for nine years. In 2018, he furthered his theological studies at DTS to improve his preaching. Chinzo married Mandi in 2011, and they have five children. They returned to Mongolia in 2023 to focus on pastoral ministry and training church leaders. Chinzo also volunteers as a movement leader for City-to-City Asia Pacific in Mongolia.



ROBERT KRAUSE

Robert has been a missionary, pastor, and church planter for nearly 30 years. Rob and his wife Sandy have been married for 31 years and blessed with two wonderful children who are currently in university in the US. After 2 years in Singapore, in April 1999, the Lord called Rob to plant their first church near Venice, Italy called Serenissima (which means "shalom, flourishing" in Italian). Later, in 2003 with a team of men, Rob established the Serenissima Ministry Group as a legal association to catalyze and organize holistic mission through discipleship and leadership development, pioneering new churches, and opening "Life projects" which impact the work and social fabric of the cities where churches are being planted. As a result, multiple new churches have been planted, and along with pastoring 2 congregations full-time, Rob oversees the ministry group which has now grown to 15 churches in 5 countries and over 25 projects to the glory of God alone.

Registration for events will begin Sunday, January 19 in the Welcome Hall!

Join us between each service in January to connect with the mission!

The Church is God's method for reaching the nations with the Gospel.

Last year at GMC 2024, the mission ministry introduced the 20:25:30 Mission Initiative, aimed at establishing and fortifying as many churches as possible over the next five years.

20:25:30

20 church planting hubs in strategic cities,

with each of the hubs planting, on average, 25 new churches,

by the year 2030.

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THANK YOU!

We want to thank you for your incredible generosity and service over the holidays. Your unwavering commitment helped us serve 15 local mission partners, complete 28 service initiatives, and contribute 509 hours of service from



members and families. We exceeded our holiday compassion fund goals which provide even more support to our community. Your efforts have inspired us to serve in new creative ways and we're excited to see what the New Year holds for Local Mission.

For additional service opportunities throughout the entire year reach out to daltoncompeau@cspc.net.

Did you know that one of our areas of ministry in Community Outreach is our Weekday School?



We are currently supporting 11 families with scholarship funds to enable their children to attend Cedar Springs Weekday School for the 2024-2025 school year. This scholarship program aims to assist children from local international families or those from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds.



[Click here for more information about Cedar Springs Weekday School!](#)

Our mission is to respond to God's love by following Jesus – in loving God, loving one another, and **SERVING THE WORLD.**

Joni & Friends Mission Opportunity

Cedar Springs currently partners with 50 local ministries, one of which is Joni & Friends. They are currently offering a mission opportunity through Wheels for the World.

Wheels for the World™ Guatemala (Huehuetenango) May 31, 2025 - June 8, 2025

Wheels for the World™ offers the hope of the Gospel while providing life-changing mobility to people living with disabilities worldwide. Join a Wheels for the World™ Outreach to Guatemala! Serve with us as a Seating Therapist, Mechanic, Photojournalist, Seamstress, or in a Support role. Every team member will directly impact people living with disabilities in a life-changing way.



[Click here for more information!](#)

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Merry Christmas!
Thank you so much
for partnering with
us in sharing the
gospel near and far.

WHERE HAVE WE BEEN?

NETHERLANDS, CZECH REPUBLIC, AND GREECE

Dale Berry traveled to Europe to meet with Global Mission Partners ministering to refugees in the Netherlands, Czech Republic, and Greece.



Voula and Ilias Antouan
Bridges - Greece



Tom & Petra Damms
Dignity: Restoring Hope - Czech Republic

MEDICAL MISSION TRIP TO ETHIOPIA

Mike Green led a team of eight CSPC members to Ethiopia to collaborate with our long-standing partner, **Ethiopia ACT**. We were able to deliver medical care at various locations throughout Addis Ababa. This journey can be both physically and emotionally challenging, yet it is immensely spiritually fulfilling. While we enjoy our Western comforts, our brothers and sisters depend on the Lord for all their needs. Click **here** to learn more about Ethiopia ACT.



I think the team would say it was a blessing and honor to serve the people of Ethiopia by addressing some of their physical needs during clinic. God's mercy and love were poured out through prayer, tears and laughter. It was a deeply meaningful time as a team in service of God's kingdom!
- Heather Holt



Interested in learning more about upcoming Short-Term Mission Trips?

[CLICK HERE!](#)

WHAT'S HAPPENING NEXT?

January 6-15, 2025
Prague, Czech Republic
Dignity: Restoring Hope

Interested?
Contact Mark Steimer
Best for college-aged students

COME SERVE WITH US: HOLIDAY EDITION



Thank you so much for showing up and being on mission here in Knoxville! We still have several events in December if you're looking for a way to serve this holiday season.



Click on the image to see the **Local Service Opportunities Guide**.



Pressed for time this holiday season? There are numerous ways you can provide financial support to our local partners.

Want to know more about Local Ministry and our service events?

THRIVE ANGEL TREE
Pick up a card to purchase an item for the Thrive Christmas Store. See page 16 in the guide.

FIG TREE
Now collecting cold weather items or gift cards. A QR code to their Amazon Wishlist can be found on page 8 in the guide.

Email Dalton Compeau at daltoncompeau@cspc.net

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE 2025 MISSION CONFERENCE

FIND OUT MORE!

20 : 25 : 500



Join us February 2 - 9 for our annual Mission Conference!

This conference will feature guests from around the globe and highlight the efforts being made in global church planting. We invite you to join us during the week to hear inspiring stories of God's work within the global church. A detailed schedule and a preview of our guests will be released in January.

Missionary partners will be joining us from:

Brazil	France	Italy	United States: Memphis, TN New York
Cameroon	Germany	Mongolia	
Chile	Greece	Poland	
China	India	United Kingdom	



WEEKLY MINISTRY PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

You may have noticed that during our services we pray weekly for one of our ministry partners. We invite you to join us in prayer for our highlighted ministry partners for the month of December.

December 1



Tom & Petra Damms
Dignity: Restoring Hope
Czech Republic



December 8

HLAULEKA

Sybil Baloyi
Hlauleka, Mumpswa
Mozambique



December 15



Ron & Amy Barber
Team
Philippines



December 22

Mesa Global

Annemarie & Mark Dye
Mesa Global
USA



January 5



Pete & Ruth Mitchell
Mission to the World
France



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WHERE HAVE WE BEEN?

YOUNG ADULTS TRAVELED TO THE UK

"The vast majority of people do not profess a faith and most are skeptical of institutions like churches. When we went to meet the church planters, we got to meet the faithful people who are sacrificing so much for the gospel right now. The common thread through the whole trip was that God was able to use the sacrifices of the faithful, as small as they are, to accomplish His purposes."

- **Christopher Hanlon**

"The Global Church is so much bigger than Cedar Springs, YET we have such a crucial role to play. Speaking with this group of pastors and leaders reiterated that building the Global Church begins by loving your neighbors, serving your local community, and living deeply. In the UK, they are challenged to surround themselves with like-minded Christians, while my West Knoxville bubble makes it challenging to surround myself with nonbelievers. My perspective has shifted from being content on the sidelines to asking God for opportunities to live sacrificially so that more might know Him."

- **Channing Lewis**



SHORT-TERM TRIP TO SPAIN & FRANCE

A group from Cedar Springs traveled to Spain and France to encourage several of our existing Global Ministry partners.



Joe & Cindy Platillero
Torchbearers - Spain

Nekane Larreategui
YoungLife - Spain



Paul & Karan Davis
TEAM - France



Interested in learning more about upcoming Short-Term Mission Trips?

[CLICK HERE!](#)

WHERE ARE WE NOW?

CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

20 : 25 : 500



CHURCH PLANTING CONFERENCE

A dozen of our global leaders gathered in South Africa to deepen relationships and strengthen our ministry partnerships.

We held formal sessions on the gospel,

leadership pitfalls, and ministry obstacles. Informally, we prayed for each other, shared resources, and cheered each other on. It's an incredible privilege to partner in God's global work!



Join us in prayer for Piers and James as God continues to nurture their passion for the growth of the Church.

We are actively working on establishing 500 churches by the year 2030. Discover more about our Mission Initiative [here](#).

WHERE ARE WE GOING?

MALAYSIA, ASIA & SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA



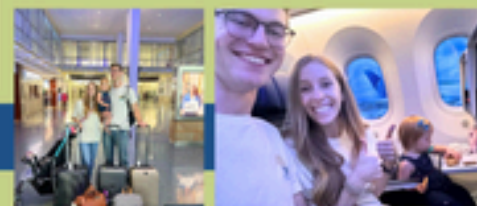
Strategic Hub: City to City Asia Pacific

City to City: Asia Pacific has a mission to catalyze Gospel-centered movements in key cities across the Asia Pacific region, to help plant churches, and to facilitate the development of strong networks of pastors and ministry leaders within each city.

Strategic Hub: City to City Australia

City to City: Australia has a mission to join with God to see unity movements commence and mature in Australia, enabling the whole church together, to serve the whole city, with the whole gospel, resulting in spiritual, social, cultural, and church transformation to the glory of God the Father.

Join us in prayer for Piers as he deepens relationships with the local church planters.



Interested in following their journey on mission in Indonesia?

[SIGN UP HERE TO RECEIVE UPDATES!](#)

SEND OFF: PARTNERS TO INDONESIA

Joel & Michelle Johnson set off for Indonesia on November 3. Cedar Springs is dedicated to supporting them in prayer and through financial contributions as they begin their mission work in Indonesia.



Our GMC: Partner Care Team sent them off with a time of worship, prayer, and fellowship.



Our Friday Morning Prayer Group gathered with them for a time of prayer.



Click here to check out the **Local Service Opportunities Guide** and sign up to serve with us this season!

We need your help to reach our goal!

Thanksgiving
BOX DRIVE

OUR GOAL: 1,250 BOXES x \$60 PER BOX = \$75,000

[CLICK HERE TO ADOPT-A-BOX](#)



Have you heard that English Language Learners (ELL) Ministry is actively growing at Cedar Springs? The ELL Ministry meets every Thursday morning and evening, along with hosting various events throughout the year. **They are currently looking for volunteers to serve as conversation partners — individuals who can dedicate an hour each week for an 8-week period to meet with an ELL student and help them practice their English.** If you're interested, please contact Emily Scoggins at escogginslaw@gmail.com.

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YOUNGLIFE CAMP IN BARCELONA, SPAIN

7 college students from Knoxville traveled to serve at a Young Life camp outside of Barcelona, Spain in August along with Scottie and JoBeth Hill. They did whatever was needed behind the scenes so that leaders could focus on being with students and the students could have an amazing experience where they could encounter Christ.

You can read more from Scottie about their adventure [here](#).



Interested in learning more about upcoming Short-Term Mission Trips?

[CLICK HERE!](#)

Email Alison Fleetwood to find out more information. alisonfleetwood@cspc.net

Join us in prayer for YL Spain as they boldly share the gospel with students.

YL younglife DAVID & SAMANTHA BELTRAN

YoungLife in Madrid, Spain



Sam and David have developed a program where Spanish students come to the U.S. for a month every summer to improve their English. The students live in Christian homes and attend a Young Life camp for a week.

20:25:30 MISSION INITIATIVE

The Church is God's method for reaching the nations with the Gospel. The mission ministry at Cedar Springs is actively engaged in the 20:25:30 Mission Initiative to sponsor the formation and strengthening of as many churches as possible.

2025 MISSION CONFERENCE

FEBRUARY 2 - 9

[FIND OUT MORE!](#)

WHERE ARE WE NOW?

DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES



Strategic Hub: Ras Al Khaimah, UAE

Dubai has established itself as a global business hub, hosting numerous international conferences, exhibitions, and events. The city's free zones and business-friendly policies attract multinational corporations, fostering a dynamic business environment. The UAE promotes a message of tolerance and multiculturalism, welcoming people from various backgrounds and religions.



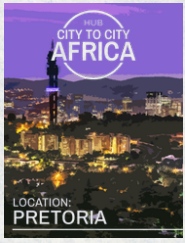
Join us in prayer for Piers as he seeks to learn more about church planting in Dubai.

WHERE ARE WE GOING?

CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

Strategic Hub: South Africa

City to City Africa exists to see the gospel of Jesus Christ transform lives and impact cities in Africa. Planting churches in Africa is relatively easy, but planting gospel-centered, healthy churches is hard. City to City Africa is helping infuse the pure truth of the gospel into churches and denominations across the continent.



Join us in prayer for Piers as he makes new connections with church planters in the city.

CONNECT WITH GLOBAL MISSION

Friday Morning Prayer Group reneegcook@me.com

Global Mission Group alisonfleetwood@cspc.net

Next meeting: November 11 at 6:30 PM in the Watershed

Short-Term Mission Trips alisonfleetwood@cspc.net

Mission Conference alliedempsey@cspc.net

Are you interested in supporting global mission?

The Global Mission Initiative is made possible through our Global Mission Fund.

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Thanksgiving BOX DRIVE

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NOVEMBER 8-11

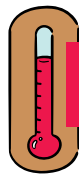
OUR GOAL



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\$75,000

For each box you donate this year, come and write your name on a pumpkin for our Thanksgiving Box Drive Banner!

You can find us in the Mission Hallway beginning Sunday, October 20.

THREE WAYS TO HELP OUR 2024 BOX DRIVE BE A SUCCESS!

VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME!

Volunteer opportunities between November 8 -11! Registration is available online at cspc.net/news.

ADOPT-A-BOX

If you would like to contribute toward our goal 1,250 boxes at \$60 per box, please donate by visiting cspc.net/give and selecting "Holiday Compassion".

COLOR A CARD

Pick up a Thanksgiving Postcard from the Welcome Hall to color and return to the Welcome Center by November 3.

come serve with us
Holiday Edition
2024

Click here to check out the **Local Service Opportunities Guide** for other ways to serve this Holiday Season!