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ANNUAL MISSIONARY UPDATE

DAVID BOEREMA, EFCA REACH GLOBAL, APEX

David works with Apex, a part of the EFCA missions' organization, Reach Global. Apex serves the local Church by mobilizing emerging leaders to advance the gospel with the objective of helping hundreds of young adults choose the path to follow God into full time ministry. Apex mobilizes students and youth groups with high quality missions training experiences. David has been supported by St. Paul's since 2017. He previously served as youth Pastor at St. Paul's. They have two sons, Tyler (22) and Will (20).



You can access their newsletter / social media at https://give.efca.org/missionaries/david-shawna-boerema



TODD BROOKS, EFCA CENTRAL DISTRICT

Todd Brooks is the Regional Superintendent (Church Multiplication) with EFCA Central District. He helps establish new churches while also assisting existing congregations to become "Life-Giving Churches." He was a pastor in St. Louis prior to his current role. St. Paul's has supported the Central District church planting role and began supporting Todd when he took over this work in 2019. Todd and Katie have four children.

MIKE AND DEBBY EDWARDS, EFCA REACHGLOBAL

Mike is responsible for building a team of skilled missionary-evangelists to learn effective ways to share the Gospel and then train others in the church to do likewise in the "rocky ground" of the San Franciso area. He was sent in June 2023 to establish this first US mission by ReachGlobal since missionaries were sent to Utah in 1950. St. Paul's first supported Mike and Debby in 2003 when they were sent to former East Germany. They are the parents of five adult children and 17 grandchildren.





JONATHAN AND CASSI FRIZ, WISDOM WAY

Jonathan founded Wisdom Way, which includes the 10 Days of Prayer, Global Family 24/7 Prayer and New England Alliance. He and Cassi live in western Massachusetts and serve there and around the world in uniting followers of Jesus and mobilizing prayer and worship. Jonathan recently published his first book, *10 Days*. Cassi homeschools their six children and manages a small farm. They are very active in their local church. St. Paul's has supported Jonathan and Cassi for over 13 years.

NICK AND ERICA, CRU

Nick and Erica transitioned to the US from work in the Middle East this past year. They will continue with CRU in Orlando, Florida, where Nick will work with a group that equips nationals to develop and use oral Bible stories and Erica will support women's health training in less-developed areas around the world. They have two young daughters. St. Paul's has supported Nick and Erica for the past six years.





RYAN AND DANA IRWIN, DUTCHTOWN OUTREACH

Ryan and Dana Irwin founded the Dutchtown Outreach to serve youth and families in this south St. Louis neighborhood. They are currently rehabbing a building in the neighborhood to become a strategic base of operations for community engagement for things like Teen Nights, Family Dinners, Bible studies, and classes. While directly working with the youth in the community, the Irwins also continue to build partnerships

with ministries and churches throughout the St. Louis region to bring the Body of Christ together for transformational impact on individuals in the Dutchtown neighborhood. St. Paul's has been supporting Dutchtown Outreach since 2020. Ryan and Dana have three daughters, one in college, one beginning college in fall 2024, and the youngest is a high school senior.

DAVE AND CINDY KAHRE, CRU

Dave and Cindy work at the national level for CRU. St. Paul's began supporting the Kahres over 20 years ago when they served in Budapest, Hungary for nine years. Since then, they have served CRU in Florida, working with the Worldwide Student Network which is the international sending branch of the Campus Ministry. They are currently based in Ohio. Dave and Cindy have two adult children.



SOLOMON AND RUBY KENDAGOR, INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, INC

Solomon and Ruby are known as Global Ministry Specialists, ministering to students who have come to the St. Louis area from other countries. They follow up on former students who have returned to their countries or who have remained here in the US. Solomon and Ruby offer training in leadership, evangelism, and discipleship, along with marriage, family and Pastoral counseling. Currently, they provide this type of outreach in 12 countries as well as the US. Solomon also teaches and preaches through radio / TV ministries on two stations in Kenya. They have been supported by St. Paul's for over 20 years. They are the parents of four adult children.

DERRILL AND BECKY MARTIN THE EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE MISSION (TEAM)

Derrill and Becky have been faithfully partnering with the Global Church for decades to make disciples and plant churches in Asia. They served in the Philippines for many years . They currently reside in southeast Missouri, but continue to make frequent trips to Southeast Asia. St. Paul's has supported Derrill and Becky for 27 years. They are the parents of three adult children and grandparents of eleven.





CRICKET MEYER, UYESU UNATHI MINISTRIES

Cricket Meyer is an independent missionary working under the oversight of the Elders at Evangelical Christian Fellowship. She has spent the past 20 years ministering to women and children at Uyesu Unathi Ministries, located in Khayelitsha, an informal settlement just outside of Cape Town, South Africa. She provides weekly Bible teaching to approximately 130 children between the ages of 4 & 6 years. Cricket also leads the staff of 15 in weekly Bible studies.

She runs a holiday/outreach program for approximately 300 children from the community who are between the ages of 6-11 years. Additionally, she leads outreach projects for the underprivileged elderly people living in shacks in the community. St. Paul's has been supporting Cricket since 2018.

ALLAN AND CINDY PAVEY, TORCHBEARER'S INTERNATIONAL

Allan and Cindy have been ministering in Grenoble, France since 1992. They began at a small French church working with ten teenagers. Since that time, they have worked with folks from all of the protestant churches in Grenoble—either in church youth groups, city wide activities or camps. Their ministry has now impacted multiple generations, including children of the original ten teenagers from 1992! St. Paul's has been supporting Allan and Cindy since 1998. They have 2 sons who live in the St. Louis area with their wives.



Allan and Cindy's ministry has three focus areas:

- 1. The French church, where Allan is part of the church council, organizes the preaching schedule, leads the church services once or twice a month and leads music almost every Sunday.
- 2. Champfleuri, where they started in 2001. This camp hosts youth camps during the school vacations —English camps, ski camps, and art/music camps. Allan leads music, helps plan the camps with the Champfleuri team, is the technical director and has countless meals chatting with the young people. Cindy participates by teaching and helping where needed. The camp also hosts Torchbearers DEFI Bible School, a six-month discipleship Bible School for 18-32 year-olds. This year, 20 students from nine countries came to study the Bible, learn how to lead camps, and grow in their relationship with the Lord. Allan leads worship and small groups, eats lunch with the students, runs the Monday workday and helps lead the Thursday sports time. Cindy helps with students and leads a small group on Fridays.
- 3. The village Catholic school Cindy has been teaching English to 3–11 year-old children at the same primary school since 2000. She also organizes and teaches the monthly religion classes.



MARK AND MARY ESTHER PENNER, WORLD VENTURE

Mark and Mary Esther are long-time missionaries, assisting in Sign Language Bible translation, primarily in Japan and the Asia Pacific region. Based in Japan for many years, they are now based in California. They have been supported by St. Paul's for over 30 years. Mark and Mary Esther have two grown children and the entire family lives in southern California. Monthly email prayer calendars are available on request.

Weekly prayer requests: https://jslbible.org/get-involved/

Daily prayer requests: https://www.facebook.com/jslbible.prayer Website: https://worldventure.com

PAUL AND SHARI SALZMAN, REACH BEYOND

Paul and Shari work in Spanish radio ministry on the Mexican border. Paul is involved primarily with the technical / engineering aspect of the ministry. They live in El Paso, Texas. Paul works in Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona. Paul and Shari's ministry has been supported by St. Paul's for 30 years. They have six grown children and nine grandchildren.





JOHN AND MELISSA SHEHAN, IRIS GLOBAL MINISTRIES

John and Melissa serve in Nacala, Mozambique, reaching the Makhuwa-Nahara people who are 99% Muslim. They are currently pioneering a new Iris mission location through evangelism, well drilling, children's programs, pastoral training, church building & more. Melissa grew up and was a part of the youth program at St. Paul's. The Shehans have been supported by our congregation since 2019.

CRAIG AND LADONNA SMITH, CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

Craig and LaDonna Smith are the founders of the evangelistic organization Tribal Rescue Ministries. They are Christian ministers from the Ojibwe and Navajo tribes. In their over 45 years of ministering together, their ministry focus has always been the proclamation of God's Word while seeking to live God-honoring lives. Craig Smith is licensed as a Christian and Missionary Alliance National Evangelist and serves as president of Tribal Rescue Ministries. LaDonna joins Craig in their music and teaching ministries, and in



their equipping of many next-generation spiritual rescuers. The mission of Tribal Rescue Ministries is "Reaching the lost in our tribes and helping everyday believers become everyday spiritual rescuers in their tribes." Craig and LaDonna have been supported by St. Paul's for over 20 years.



MARCO AND KARI VAN RAALTEN, TOGETHER STL

Marco van Raalten was born and raised in Holland, Europe. At the age of 19 he left his country as a missionary and pastor. He has served in Asia, Africa, Europe, Central America and North America. Prior to moving to St. Louis in 2018, he spent 17 years in Farmington, MO. He serves with Together STL out of St. Paul Evangelical Church as a 'City Missionary' — working to bring the body of Christ closer together in the St. Louis Metro area for the purpose of spiritual renewal and missional impact. This is the fifth city where Marco has worked in this role. Marco and Kari have four adopted children: Nathan, Kevin, Clarissa and Grace.

SCOTT AND CATHY WALLER, EIDOS CHRISTIAN CENTER

Scott and Cathy minister within the academic world. As a college professor and Ph.D., Scott seeks to influence people and advance the Gospel in an increasingly challenging environment within academia. St. Paul's has supported Scott and his wife Cathy in this ministry for nearly 30 years. They live in Southern California where Scott teaches at Biola University. They have two adult children.





NATE AND FAITH WALTER, ONE COLLECTIVE

Nate and Faith and their team are located in Santiago de Compostela, Spain, where they welcome pilgrims who have just finished walking the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage trail. Through the Pilgrim House Welcome Center, they help pilgrims experience the tangible love of God and also engage deeper with the things that stirred in their hearts during pilgrimage. In addition, part of the team focuses on community development and has created some initiatives to reach the local community of Santiago. St. Paul's has been supporting Nate and

Faith since they began their work in Spain almost 17 years ago. They have four children (aged 14 to 21).

BRAD WOS, AMBASSADOR CITY CHURCH, EFCA

Brad serves as the Director of a new church plant in St. Louis called Ambassador City Church, whose vision is to disciple foreign-born leaders who can then multiply grace by planting multi-ethnic churches across the metro area. Brad and his family lived in Cape Town, South Africa for 14 years serving with Mission to The World as Campus Ministry Director, community development (World Cup Soccer), church planting, and evangelism training. Brad has been supported by St. Paul's since 2016 when he began serving as the EFCA Central District Multicultural Director.

