



Mission Projects Fellowship

PROJECT UPDATE NEWSLETTER

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Presenting Our Gifts So Missionaries Can Present The Gospel

THE STORY BEHIND...

“Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)”

Original Song by J. Wilbur Chapman (1909) Contemporary Version by Michael Bleecker (2008)

Chorus:

*“Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me; buried, He carried my sins far away;
Rising, He justified freely forever; one day He’s coming—oh glorious day!”*

John Wilbur Chapman, a Presbyterian pastor, evangelist, and revivalist in the late 19th century, was born into a Christian family in Indiana. He began his career pastoring a church there until he was called to lead a congregation in Ohio, then Pennsylvania, and eventually New York State. He later traveled around the country with gospel singer Charles Alexander and in 1893 had the opportunity to preach with well-known evangelist D. L. Moody. Chapman penned the lyrics to “Glorious Day” in 1909, the same year that he, along with 30 other evangelists and musicians, began a revival crusade in the Boston area which held over 990 evangelistic services in just three weeks!

Almost 100 years later, Chapman’s song was changed into a more contemporary style by **Michael Bleecker**, worship pastor at The Village Church (Dallas, TX) for their Easter worship service. Bleecker had recently signed a single-song agreement with Word Music for the updated “Glorious Day” when someone from the company sent it on to Mark Hall, lead singer for the group **Casting Crowns**. Hall immediately loved this version and, long story short, it was recorded by the group and put into their album *Until The Whole World Hears* (2009). As Bleecker states, he didn’t mind the group getting most of the recognition, just as long as they didn’t “mess with the content of those [original] verses because that’s the entirety of the gospel, from birth to return in future glory.” You can also find this song on an album that Bleecker’s worship team put out in 2011 called *God of Victory, The Village Album*.

- Written by, Anita Souder

https://hymnary.org/person/Chapman_JW

<https://www.wholesomewords.org/biography/bchapman.html>

<https://mysonginthenight.com/2012/12/05/writing-recording-leading-worship-michael-bleecker-of-the-village/>

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2022 COMPLETED PROJECTS

#698 Chariots for Hope (Kenya)

Staff Housing Renovations

#700 CLC Ministries (Peru)

Bookmobile

#702 Africa Inland Mission (Kenya)

Solar batteries and Security lights

#703 CEF Ministries (Romania)

Vehicle for CEF workers

#704 Christian World Outreach (Haiti)

Three motorcycles

#705 The Mailbox Club

(Sub-Saharan Africa)

Five motorcycles with helmets

#710 Mission Eurasia (Ukraine)

One box truck for emergency relief efforts

THANK YOU for helping us complete
one box truck for Project 710...

We are currently working on a **second truck!!**

A Useful Tool For Outreach and Discipleship in Peru

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CHRISTIAN AID MISSION

[Past Project #681]

Christian Aid Mission (CAM) helps indigenous ministries around the world who work in areas of poverty or persecution. A local partner in **Central Peru** works among the **Asheninka**, one of South America's largest tribes who live deep in the jungles. After years of diligent missionary work, the mindset of this tribe is now beginning to change favorably toward Christianity.

Last year MPF assisted them by providing funds for a **three-wheeled vehicle** to help them get around the dense, often muddy, jungle regions. In a recent report from CAM, they thanked us and our donors for this generous gift and reported that the vehicle allows their missionaries to reach more families in rural ethnic people groups. They use it to pick up new believers and children from their homes and take them to meeting places where they are taught the Word of God.

This special vehicle also serves as **transportation** for the whole ethnic community in this part of the jungle. When someone needs to transport timber or agricultural goods to the village market, they ask the missionaries for help. In doing these small errands, the missionaries have earned the **trust and respect** of the tribespeople. Emergency situations also arise when transportation becomes essential, especially during times of crisis. Recently, the missionaries were able to use the vehicle as a funeral truck to transport a body to the funeral site.

Oscar, a ministry leader for CAM in Peru, writes:

"We praise God for touching the hearts of the generous brothers and sisters who gave with joy for the work of God... Thank you for being the channel of blessing to continue taking the glorious message of the gospel to the ethnic groups that still do not have Christ."

Providing transportation for a village funeral



Picking up children for Sunday School



Hauling agricultural goods to the village



"Praise Him For His Goodness!"

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CHILD EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIP

[Past Project #684]



Romanian children attend a CEF 5-Day Club

Unlike some areas of Eastern Europe, the country of **Romania** still allows people to freely share the gospel of Christ with children and young people. In 2019, when **Daniel and Carmen Leonte** began a leadership role at CEF, their only vehicle was over fifteen years old and in need of extensive repair work. MPF was able to complete a project for them last spring, **just in time for summer camps**, and now the Leonte family has a new **ministry car** to help them as they distribute gospel literature, oversee weekly Good News Clubs and 5-Day Clubs, hold open-air evangelism events, summer camps, and so much more. Thank you for being a part of helping to bring the gospel of Jesus to the children of Romania!



Daniel Leonte and his new ministry car

PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

~ The projects below are dependent on the financial support of God's people ~

707 ACTS BEYOND (Dominican Republic) <https://actsbeyond.org/the-seminary-1>

Project Cost: **\$1,699**

The Santiago Theological Seminary provides graduate-level education, training Christian pastors and laymen to lead, serve, plant churches, and become missionaries in the Dominican Republic and beyond.

This fall the seminary is launching an undergraduate program which will require Pastor Alvaro Rodriguez to begin working full-time along with his other duties as chairman of the DR board and executive director of the school. A new **13-inch Apple MacBook Pro laptop** will enable him to easily transition into his new responsibilities at the seminary.

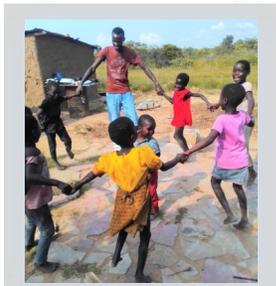


708 HOPE'S PROMISE (Zimbabwe) <https://www.hopespromise.com/christian-orphan-care/>

Project Cost: **\$4,935**

Hope's Promise transforms the lives of children in need of families. After placing vulnerable, at-risk children into the care of indigenous Christian house-parents, they continue to provide for their physical, emotional, social, educational, and spiritual support.

All four countries in which they minister have endured numerous school closures since 2020. A special challenge they face now is in keeping up with the technology needs for the children's education. MPF is raising funds for three Hope's Promise families in Zimbabwe. Items needed are **cell phones and laptops** for the caregivers and a **whiteboard and stand** for workshop presentations.



709 GLOBAL COMMISSION MINISTRIES (Liberia)

Project Cost: **\$10,000**

Located on the West African Coast, Liberia has a literacy rate of less than 50 percent for a population of over 5.2 million people. Global Commission Ministries (GCM) is a church-planting mission that brings God's Word into indigenous and remote areas through evangelistic campaigns, children's ministries, church planting, and other outreach work.

Missionary, Joseph Moore, is in need of a vehicle, specifically a used **Toyota Hilux truck** which is built tough enough to handle the African roads. The vehicle will take Mr. Moore to various ministry sites and will also be used when short-term missions teams come from the States to help with a variety of ministry activities.

MPF is partnering with Calvary Independent Baptist Church, Morton, PA, on this project



711 INNER-CITY MOVEMENT (Israel) <https://www.icmovement.org/>

Project Cost: **\$4,990**

Inner-City Movement seeks to offer the Gospel of Jesus to individuals by way of the arts. Their ministry helps people comprehend biblical truths, especially challenging and encouraging fathers to take the lead in teaching their children through Bible stories.

The Myers Family will travel to Israel this spring to enact Jesus' life and ministry in and around the Sea of Galilee and in Jerusalem. Onlookers will be encouraged to participate in and experience the stories for themselves. A **portable sound system** is needed to amplify God's Word as a dramatized message to thousands of Gentiles and Jews who live there plus visitors from around the world.



712 THUNDERZOLL, INC. (India) <https://www.thunderzoll.org/>

Project Cost: **\$6,000**

ThunderZoll works with partners in India to reach the unreached with the Gospel, help orphans and widows, and provide economic opportunities in poor communities.

Last year, MPF funded a project for 20 sewing machines so that women can learn tailoring skills and start their own businesses. It had such a positive effect in the community and in their ministry that they are asking for another **10 sewing machines**.

They are also in need of **three motorcycles** for village pastors who want to expand their ministry reach but have no practical means of traveling into outlying villages.



713 **LIVE EAR MINISTRIES (Benin, West Africa)** <https://www.live-ear.org/>

Project Cost: **\$1,930**

This faith-based Christian organization has been operating a residential school for rural deaf children in Benin since 2008, as well as conducting annual Bible camps for the deaf in Benin, Togo, and Niger. Their goal is to reduce barriers to education for rural deaf children. The students at the school live in dorms and are taught sign language and vocational skills along with Christian education and worship.

The school needs a **motorcycle** to help transport children to and from their homes and to the hospital or medical clinics when needed. It will also greatly help the kitchen staff when they go to market for food and supplies.



714 **ONEWAY MINISTRIES (Ghana, West Africa)** <https://www.owm.org/oneway-africa>

Project Cost: **\$8,452**

OneWay Africa is a sister ministry of OneWay Ministries that is focused on reaching the people of Northern Ghana with God's truth.

In 2019, they began a missionary-training facility in Accra, Ghana, that was named The Philip Center. Since then, they have outgrown this space for both training and housing students—some trainees are even camping in tents on the property! They recently purchased a second property nearby and are calling it The Philip Center East. The need now is to equip both locations to host missions training programs. Some of these needs are: **a solar back-up power source, kitchen supplies, a refrigerator, bunk beds, mattresses, lecture room chairs, and four new laptops for staff and interns.**



715 **RISHAMA INTERNATIONAL (Nigeria)** <https://www.rishama.org/>

Project Cost: **\$3,082**

Rishama is an orphanage and Christian academy near Keffi, Nigeria that has over 350 students from various backgrounds, all of whom are either orphaned or live in vulnerable situations. At the school they experience love, superior education, medical care, and the truth of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

In 2019, Rishama purchased 17 acres of land to raise food for the students and for cash crops. The original well pump is being repaired and upgraded to solar-power, but they need to dig an additional well to provide enough water for the children and to irrigate their crops. A new **solar-powered pumping station** will provide for these needs and save on the rising cost of diesel fuel. MPF is funding the new pump machine and solar-panel installation along with a socket adapter and well cap.



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