



GATEWAY MISSIONS



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Connecting People, Nations and Continents for the Great Commission

“Now may God, the inspiration and fountain of hope, fill you to overflowing with uncontainable joy and perfect peace as you trust in him. And may the power of the Holy Spirit continually surround your life with his super-abundance until you radiate with hope!”

Romans 15:13 (TPT)

WELCOME TO 2021!

Everyone we know is relieved to say goodbye to 2020. Hopefully, 2020 was a time of awakening for Christians everywhere. As difficult as it was, we have persevered and experienced God’s love, provision and healing in a BIG way! We know some of you have suffered separation and/or the loss of loved ones, businesses, finances, etc. None of us enjoy trials. **John 16:33** encourages us not to lose our hope and joy.

“And everything I’ve taught you is so that the peace which is in me will be in you and will give you great confidence as you rest in me. For in this unbelieving world you will experience trouble and sorrows, but you must be courageous, for I have conquered the world!” What a precious promise that is for us.

Through the trials and tests, we discover a new dimension of God’s goodness and prevenient grace. Prevenient Grace is His abiding presence throughout our lifetime. Each one of us can look back and remember at least one time when God intervened to preserve us. During times of ease in our Christian lives, we have a tendency to become somewhat lenient in our thoughts of what being a Christian means. We have bought into the belief that because our sins have been fully atoned through the work of Christ, we are exempt from difficulties. That is not so. The Bible is clear that we will endure trials and injustices, but ***we are more than conquerors through Christ. (Romans 8:37)*** The greatest times of the Church are ahead of us and we, His Body, are to be salt and light in a world that is full of darkness.

We are to be comforters and consolers to those around us in difficulties. ***“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.” (2 Corinthians 1:3-4)***

There are people God has ordained for us to comfort. I believe the idea of evangelism has frightened and discouraged many believers from entering the battle for the souls of men and women who are lost. Let me suggest that the simple act of **friendship** is an integral and essential part of soul winning. Sometimes we as believers have misunderstood the concept of friendship. We have segregated our relationships into categories and think all our friends should act and believe as we do. Jesus himself associated with the hurting and lost. We are not to become like the world, but we are in the world and God’s Spirit in us should touch those around us who are in need of hope. Jane Ann and I want to encourage you, as we navigate this New Year of 2021 to be sensitive to the Holy Spirit and be willing to engage people on every strata. Your life will be fuller and richer for doing so. There is little or no fruit on the mountain top, but it is in the valley where fruit abounds. The challenges and blessings of our lives, (physical, mental, emotional or spiritual), are meant to enrich the lives of others as we all together press on to **Run the Race set before us!**



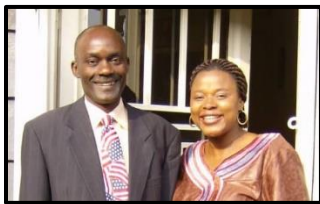
FRUIT THAT REMAINS

“Thank you for your help and support all these years. This had a big impact on us. Thank God for you and the teams. We pray for you and America. In Transnistria due to COVID, people are left without jobs and salaries and in the church there are quarantine restrictions so the number of people have decreased. We do not despair, but pray, fast and continue to hold four services on Sunday, as well as weekly evangelism meetings, and food outreaches for needy families.” *Pastors Yuriy and Oksana (Transnistria)*



“Thank God for all of you and what you do for me and my family. For the first time, me and my family had a really full meal and overabundance. Thank you for giving and sharing the blessing of everything that you receive from God. God be the one who rewards you for your work. God bless you always twice!”
Pastors Adrian and Yailyn (Cuba)

“You and your wife are a testimony to our lives and marriage. May both of you be blessed. We receive the gift and thank you for sowing in us and blessing us. We hope and pray that we can spend time together again in the Lord.”
Pastors Octavio and Angelica Rodriguez (Cuba)



“May the Lord Jesus Christ bless you abundantly for being a blessing in my life. You have impact in me of tremendous potentials which changed my whole life and now I am a blessing for other leaders in my apostolic mission for church leaders, to impart to them what you have imparted in me.”
Pastor Pascal Azaza (Tanzania)

Over the years we've received many reports of how pastors' lives and ministries have been impacted through Gateway Missions. We love sharing a few of those testimonies with you. Your faithful prayers and generous giving empowers us to equip, train and encourage hidden frontline warriors. During the past year Gateway Missions has been able to provide 25 pastors and church leaders with resources to buy food, as well as purchase two motorbikes for pastors in Cuba and Togo, West Africa. Likewise in turn, they have reached out to their congregations to share what they received. The COVID-19 pandemic has created some remarkable opportunities to spread the Gospel! Thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus.

GATEWAY MISSIONS UPDATE CHANGES

For Gateway Missions, 2020 has been an interesting time to evaluate, make adjustments and pray for new vision. As things stand now, the doors to get into Cuba, Colombia and other overseas ministry areas are still closed. Our goal and desire when the COVID pandemic ends, is to be on the field again, face to face with our pastoral leaders and friends. Beginning this month, Gateway Missions newsletter updates will be mailed every other month instead of monthly. We thank you again for your prayers, partnership and trust.

Run the race,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gary and Jane Ann Casey".

Gary and Jane Ann Casey

The Holy Spirit spoke three words to me (Jane Ann) for 2021:
STEADFAST - PERSEVERANCE - ENDURANCE
I am praying for us to hold steady and stay the course through the shaking as we press into Him for hope, rest and strength to run our race and finish strong. And most of all that we will be found faithful!
“Now it is required of stewards that they be found faithful.” (1 Cor. 4:2)

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