

A group of children and adults are gathered outdoors. In the foreground, a young boy with light skin and blonde hair, wearing a white t-shirt and shorts, is shaking hands with a young boy with dark skin wearing a green jacket and a yellow shirt. Other children and adults are visible in the background, some looking towards the camera and others looking away. The scene is set on a dirt ground with some orange cones and red balls in the lower left corner. A yellow oval graphic is overlaid on the center of the image, containing the text.

**CMF International**  
2010 Annual Report



# The Poor You Will Always Have With You

Last year I preached on “Good News to the Poor,” then heard that a study group was using the sermon to discuss poverty and what to do about the poor. The verse about “always having the poor with you” came up in the conversation – as it often does – which led me to do a little studying.

The passage is found in a couple of places in the New Testament. Matthew 26:11 reads, “For you will always have the poor with you, but you will not have me.”

The other passage is Mark 14:7, which reads: “For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me.” I underlined the section that is not included in Matthew, because I think it is critically important as to how we interpret this passage.

Many people have taken the phrase “The poor you will always have with you” as a statement of fact. Some then go on to reason, “Since we will always have poor people around, what is the use of trying to help them? We’ll never be able to help them all, so why even try?” Therefore, the verse ends up being used as a rationalization for **not** helping the poor.

But I believe this passage is saying just the opposite. 1) Since you will always have the poor with you, you will be able to help them anytime (or always). 2) But since you will only have me (Jesus) around for a while, it is okay that this woman used her ointment on me, even though it could have been sold and the proceeds given to the poor.

I would venture that Matthew's point in the passage was not about how to deal with the poor, but was about the kindness of the woman and Jesus' comment about not being with them much longer.

I would venture that Mark included it, making the same points as Matthew, but also adding the extra phrase to emphasize how we should interact with the poor.

It is likely that the phrase "the poor will always be with you" that Jesus uses comes from Deuteronomy 15:11, "Since there will never cease to be some in need on the earth, I therefore command you, 'Open your hand to the poor and needy neighbor in your land.' "

Our growing ministry in the slums of Nairobi demonstrates how meeting the needs of the poor through creative and compassionate means brings them into relationship with Jesus.

We also established a partnership with the Urban Neighbours of Hope (UNOH) team, led by Ash and Anji Barker, in the slums of Bangkok – Thailand's capital city. They minister in the communities through education, sports programs, music and English lessons, microfinance projects, relief programs, and prison visitation.



In northern Thailand, Jeff and Pilar Prus serve in a new outreach into the underserved communities of Chiang Mai. Their goal is to begin transformation through holistic ministries that will bring the Buddhist poor into God's Kingdom.

Our team in one of Asia's largest countries works in a city of 6 to 7 million people. At least 1 million of those people are marginalized migrant workers who have moved from the countryside to the city, hoping for a better life. We work with local companies, organizations, churches, and schools to build relationships with the workers' families. We serve them with the goal of encouraging the formation of strong and healthy communities that glorify God.

Yes, we minister to the poor in the name of Jesus. We also plant churches, educate leaders, offer community to international university students, provide medical services, work in creative-access countries through business opportunities, teach in international Christian schools, and on.

For our 60th anniversary I asked David Giles, the Director of our Church Catalyst Division, to tally the number of churches we established in the decade between our 50th and 60th anniversaries (1999-2009). He said that the total came to 174 churches. In 2010, we added to that total on almost every field.

CMF International continues to focus on our mission statement that we are compelled by Christ's love to transform lives and communities around the world ... all lives, all communities.

*Doug*

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**Doug Priest**, *Executive Director*

*NRSV used for scripture references.*



# 2010 ANNUAL REPORT HIGHLIGHTS

**KENYA Hope Partnership, Nairobi.** At the end of the year, 96% of the children at Joska [the upper primary boarding school compound about 24 miles from our work in the slums] passed their high school entry exam – all part of the child sponsorship program. 4,356 younger children were sponsored in the 10 different centers in Mathare. Land for 7 more centers was procured. Clients for microfinance loans and projects doubled in 9 months. Small-scale farming progressed at Joska, where 2 greenhouses supplied some food for the schools. More than 340 staff members/workers served in all programs. 750 people on 50 short-term teams from the US visited and assisted the staff.

**Community Christian Churches, those planted by CMF among the Maasai, Turkana, and Samburu,** grew from 136 to 163 along with other teaching/preaching points. The work in Samburu is a result of a Samburu believer who attended a three-month session at CMF's Discipleship Training School, returned home, and planted 3 congregations and established 2 teaching points.

**Maasai.** CMF's Maasai Health Services clinics received a grant of \$516,000 from the Presidents' Emergency Fund through the Centers for Disease Control to provide HIV/AIDS services in the 8 clinics and dispensaries. The funds are for HIV/AIDS education, prevention, medication, staff training, and assistance for rural villages without clinics. International Disaster Emergency Services (IDES) shared a generous grant to purchase goats for the poor farmers in the Kajiado region severely affected by drought.

## ENGLAND

Church planters in Nottingham launched their first youth worship service in March aimed at helping unchurched teens experience the presence of Christ in relevant ways. An occasional worship event, Unchained is becoming grounded in the lives of the city's young people.

In the fall, church planters launched a new church in the Rugby-Cawston area – a newly forming neighborhood – in connection with the Bilton Evangelical Church.

Our missionaries were also recognized by government and civic groups for their contributions to the communities in which they live and serve.

## TANZANIA

Church planters in northern Tanzania reported 500 baptisms and 12 churches planted among the Maasai. They also help widows and orphans, use Community Health Evangelism, and hold immunization clinics.

Altogether, church planters from 7 unreached tribes have been prepared at the training center and planted 22 churches.

## **MEXICO**

In Mexico City in June, The Eagles Community Center sponsored a street cleaning event to introduce their ministry in the working poor neighborhood of Las Aguilas (The Eagles). 80 people turned out to sweep the streets and visit together, then attended a dinner to learn about community service projects. Mexican leaders and missionaries provide education, English, and literacy classes, homework club, and seminars/conferences.

In July, a new church was planted in Huehuetoca, a growing municipality north of Mexico City, out of small groups. By year's end, Mexicans were leading in musical worship, adult Bible study, and children's Bible activities, and many were making decisions for Christ.

## **UKRAINE**

CMF participated in the second All-Ukrainian Youth Conference of Christian Medics in Zaporizhia in May. 250 medical students, young graduates of medical training institutions, and experienced physicians focused on the urgent problems of modern medicine: balancing spirituality and professionalism, common health problems in society, and medical ethics issues. Attendees came from all over Ukraine, Russia, the US, Canada, Germany, India, Ghana, Nigeria, Uganda, and Madagascar.

## **IVORY COAST**

In November, members of the CMF team in Abengourou evacuated from the country due to a dangerous political situation. The ministry continued due to the resolve of the key national leaders and technology. Two national church planters prepared to move to the central part of the country to start four new churches. The clinic continued to operate, seeing 800-1200 general medicine cases per month and overseeing the care of 2,000 HIV positive patients. From Burkina Faso, the missionaries continued translating materials, coordinating ministry activities, and planning for the future.

## **INDONESIA**

Students from the Christian Church Theological School of Indonesia (CCTSI), Salatiga, participated in relief work in the areas hardest hit by Mt. Merapi's explosion in November. A group went in with food and medical supplies, then village leaders asked them to also provide spiritual guidance to those overwhelmed by this cataclysmic event. Other CCTSI students traveled to islands off the coast of Sumatra to assist those who were hurt in the September earthquakes and tsunamis. They encouraged five families who met for worship, and headed up efforts to rebuild the destroyed homes.

## **GLOBALSCOPE INTERNATIONAL CAMPUS MINISTRIES**

*Chile.* The team and the students in the El Oasis campus ministry, Santiago, ministered to their neighbors who suffered through the February earthquake. Initially, the team gathered students together to pray, then became a donation center, asking for different items each week. One student lost her home, so the group helped her move into a new apartment and replaced things that she lost. The team took a group to a nearby town to dismantle a family's badly damaged home. In April, El Oasis went to a southern town to build homes.

*Spain.* For the third year, a group of students from En Vivo collaborated with Habitat for Humanity to build a house for a needy family in Portugal. The students sacrificed their time and money for the benefit of others through 6 days of hard work. The very first En Vivo student was sent to help another Globalscope ministry – The Grapevine, Bangkok, Thailand – as an exchange student.

*Scotland.* Team members were affiliated for a new campus ministry to begin outreach in 2012.

## **USA**

In July, CMF completed the Hispanic strategy which was begun in the late '90s. The missionaries who launched these works in Los Angeles and Indianapolis remain with their respective ministries. We concluded that reaching Hispanics is best done by local churches in their own communities, but were grateful for the models of ministry in intercultural settings that were initiated.

In July, 60 of CMF's 160 on-the-field missionaries met together – the largest gathering ever of our missionaries. Furloughees traveled to Nashville, IN, to join the Globalscope campus ministry teams for fellowship and discussion of ministry strategies.

Ben Fair became Director of Mobilization, overseeing recruitment, support raising, the REACH and apprenticeship programs. Phil Tatum moved from that role into Director of CMF-Globalscope, our international campus ministry. Bill and Verna Weber, professors and pastoral counselors at Cincinnati Christian University, Cincinnati, OH, joined the CMF staff as Consultants in International Leadership Development.

CMF said farewell to Naomi Kouns who labored in the home office for 34 years in serving churches, missionaries, recruits, and international campus ministry.

Ray Giles, who served with his wife Effie in Ethiopia for 20 years and in the home office as Field Director for 14 years, went home to be with the Lord in May.

# 2010 Financial Report

## Where the money came from

925 Churches	\$6,543,906	50.0%
10,449 Individuals	5,579,733	42.7%
355 Auxiliaries/others	622,469	4.8%
Other misc. revenue	26,983	0.2%
Investments	302,724	2.3%

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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$13,075,815</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
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## How the money was spent

Cross-cultural Church Planting	\$9,511,149	72.2%
Leadership Training	49,456	0.4%
Medical	87,101	0.7%
Field Business	8,118	0.1%
Relief	21,512	0.2%
Reruitment	447,940	3.4%
New Field Research	113,301	0.9%
Equipping the Local Church	384,466	2.9%
Support Raising (General)	518,935	3.9%
Support Raising (Recruits)	109,702	0.8%
Support Raising (Furlough)	309,043	2.3%
Furlough Ministries	618,086	4.7%
Administrative & General	993,020	7.5%

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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$13,171,829</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
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Total Assets	\$5,995,262
Total Liabilities	(253,803)

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<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>\$5,741,459</b>
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## 2011 MISSIONS SERVICE CENTER LEADERSHIP TEAM

Doug Priest, *Executive Director*

G.L. Brock, *Urban Poor &*

*Marketplace Ministries Director*

Ben Fair, *Mobilization Director*

Ann Fulk, *Human Resources Director*

Doug Germann, *Finance & Development Director*

David Giles, *Church Catalyst Ministries Director*

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Dan Leinbaugh, *Communication & Mission*

*Services Director*

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Phil Tatum, *CMF-Globalscope Director*

Will Walls, *Member Care & Affiliation Director*

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# 2010 International Personnel



Michael & Allison Thompson  
Recruits: Abby & Derrik Sanders  
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## ETHIOPIA

**Missionaries:** Laura Boyd, Sean & Becky Cox, Adrian & Jennifer Fehl, Craig & Allison Fowler, Shelly Hilvety, Steve & Doretha Limiero, Jake & Erin Moore, David & Marsha Van Wagenen, Jessica Weast  
Apprentice: Caleb Skipper  
Recruits: Ted & Jennifer Bertleson, Marshal & Rachel Giles, Kaela Gottlieb

## ASIA

17 Marketplace Ministries workers on 5 teams in 3 countries  
Apprentices: Tatum Binford, Caleb & Christy Phillips

## BURKINA FASO

**Missionaries:** Andrew & Pulcherie Gordon, Ken & Anita Hoch, Brian & Tabitha Hauser  
Recruits: Tom & Suja Brane

## CENTRAL ASIA

6 Marketplace Ministries workers on 1 team in 1 country

## CHILE

**Missionaries:** Lukas & Danielle Fortunato, Mark & Elisabeth Jackson, Greg Klass, Philip Linkous, Andrés Valencia, Brent Vokes  
Recruits: Amy Fulton, Travis Horsley

## ENGLAND

**Missionaries:** Tim & Tammy Aho, Robert & Natalie Braden, David & Teresa Fittro, Emily Hisey, Josh & Rebekah Holt, Nathan Jones, Larry & Debbie Kineman, Aaron & Diane Lincoln, Andrew Michael, Kevin & Leah Miller, Jennifer Sigg, Jason Tatum,

## GERMANY

**Missionaries:** Chris & Stefanie Coleman, Tyler & Shalynn Crawford, Chandler Creel, Chris Godwin, Beth Jarvis Silliman  
Recruits: Nathan & Pamela Heald

## INDONESIA

**Missionaries:** Lisa Richardson, James & Mona Griffin

## IVORY COAST

**Missionaries:** Dr. Bernie & Kelly Bledsoe, Andy & Stephanie Gable, Damon & Juli Jones, Christina Skelton  
Apprentice: Les Andrews



## KENYA

**Missionaries:** Joshua & Ruth Barron, Jeff & Tammi Brown, Lynn & Dori Cazier, Joe & Kim Cluff, Dan & Connie Crum, Keith & Kathy Ham, Chad & Kara Harris, Justine Holguin, Wallace & Mary Kamau, Doug & Jenifer Kurz, Gene & Melba Morden, Lynn Pottenger, Shawn & Kristen Redford

Apprentices: Audrey Buckland, David Freeze, Claudia Gonzalez, Leann Murphy, Julie Smith, Erin Titus, Bethany Ziegler

Recruits: Dean & Ronda Ekberg, Ryan Hayes

Candidates: Tim & Alicia Stewart



## MEXICO

**Missionaries:** Pam Akihiro, Brent Brannen, Kami Burns, Steve & Kay Carpenter, Clay & Amanda Cooper, Vic & Pam deLeón, Casey & Teri Hancock, Todd & Tonja Hancock, Rachel Long, Nathan & Erin McDade, Heath & Karen Neal, Greg & Vicki Syverson, Michael Trinkle, Courtney Wilson, Carly Wolfinger  
Recruit: Cody Spencer

## SCOTLAND

Candidates: Tim Crabtree, Dee Humphrey, Kate McClean, Andrew Owens

## SPAIN

**Missionaries:** Jesse & Sophie Bentley, Chris Beirne, Laura Bowers, Ansley Cleveland, Joan Cramer, Lauren Love, Matthew Robertson

Recruits: Amber Holland, Christopher Hylton

Candidate: Dan Dillard

## TANZANIA

**Missionaries:** Todd & Tami Carter, Scott & Annelle Price, Ron & Jane Ann Richmond, Gary & Judy Woods, Wendy Wagoner

Recruits: Mike & Joann Noel, Bill & Heather Wash

## THAILAND

**Missionaries:** Buck & Mae Bryan, Greg & Allison Coley, Andy & Jen May, Michal Ruth Penwell, Jeff & Pilar Prus, Beth West

Apprentices: Rob Hill, Cara Yeager

Recruits: Caleb & Christy Phillips

## UKRAINE

**Missionaries:** David & Annette Dryden, June Johnson, Cory & Janice Lemke, Dustin & Karilyn Mullenix, Jonathan & Heather Powell

## USA

**Missionaries:** Phil & Kathy Banta, Judy Fish

## 33 REACH summer international interns

### CMF EMERITI

Russ Blowers†, Dr. Bob & Karon Chapman, Charles Cook†, Ray† & Effie Giles, Harry Guion†, Milton Johnstone†, Wanda Kirkpatrick, Doug Sr. & Marge Priest, Dr. Wayne Wertz

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## 2010 Top 30 Donor Churches

1. Eastside Christian Church, Fullerton, CA
2. Tates Creek Christian Church, Lexington, KY
3. Connection Pointe Christian Church, Brownsburg, IN
4. Westlink Christian Church, Wichita, KS
5. Park Chapel Christian Church, Greenfield, IN
6. East 91st St. Christian Church, Indianapolis, IN
7. Mountain Christian Church, Joppla, MD
8. First Christian Church, Decatur, IL
9. Central Christian Church, Mesa, AZ
10. West Side Christian Church, Springfield, IL
11. Northern Hills Christian Church, Brighton, CO
12. First Christian Church, Johnson City, TN
13. Tigard Christian Church, Tigard, OR
14. Traders Point Christian Church, Indianapolis, IN
15. Southwest Christian Church, Atlanta, GA
16. Central Christian Church, Wichita, KS
17. Plainfield Christian Church, Plainfield, IN
18. Harvester Christian Church, St. Charles, MO
19. Crossroads Christian Church, Corona, CA
20. Mountainview Christian Church, Gresham, OR
21. Whitewater Crossing Christian Church, Cleves, OH
22. Southland Christian Church, Lexington, KY
23. First Christian Church, Pasco, WA
24. Southeast Christian Church, Parker, CO
25. First Christian Church, Canton, OH
26. LifeBridge Christian Church, Longmont, CO
27. Legacy Christian Church, Overland Park, KS
28. Parkview Christian Church, Overland Park, IL
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