Mission is Alive in Central Canada's Churches

"Even though I am free of the demands and expectations of everyone, I have voluntarily become a servant to any and all in order to reach a wide range of people... and tried to experience things from their point of view. I've become just about every sort of servant there is in my attempts to lead those I meet into a God-saved life. I did all this because of the Message. I didn't just want to talk about it; I wanted to be in on it!"

1 Corinthians 9:19-23

What a year to be on mission together! Through lock-downs and travel bans, your support didn't waver. While political groupings seemed to drift apart, Jesus' global community was coming together to make disciples, plant churches and serve through business as mission (BAM). Together, we are learning to experience things from each other's point of view for the sake of the Gospel. May this report be an encouragement of how Jesus is activating us to be on mission locally, nationally, and globally—no matter what the circumstances.

Our Central Canada team is eager to serve you. Whether it is discipling emerging leaders, planning short-term mission experiences, considering a long-term mission assignment or an international church partnership, let's not just talk about it. Together, let's be in on it.

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SOAR Central Canada

This year, due to COVID, SOAR has become a 5-day (was 10 days) discipleship-on-mission program for church teams of all ages to engage their community during Spring Break.

SOAR Saskatchewan is now into its third year under local leadership with Ryan and Terri Epp being based in Saskatoon, SK. In 2020, our theme was "I AM." We dove into the book of John throughout our ten days together and talked about the

character of Jesus and what that means for us as his followers.

We had nine teams join us from across the province for a total of 81 participants. An exciting addition to SOAR SASK 2020 was having a team of families from West



Portal Church join the program! They brought a new level of excitement and we continue to be encouraged by the stories that keep coming from that particular team as to how God met individuals and families in that time, and the long-term impact that is having on these families.

SOAR Heartland (Manitoba). Despite great preparations for SOAR EX in 2020, we had to pivot quickly to create SOAR-vivor and cancel Heartland and SOAR EX. We had planned SOAR EX as a weekend designed for church groups that could commit to the first 3-4 days of Heartland. Instead, with two weeks warning, we created a fully online version of SOAR, aptly named SOAR-vivor. In some ways, the program grew with participants joining from around the globe! Over 100 people participated in the daily devotionals, teaching sessions, workshops and ministry challenges from six different nations.



At the time, we were Zoom novices. Today, all of our programming includes some sort of online gathering. For more information visit: multiply.net/soar/heartland

As SOAR Heartland 2021 approaches, there are still limitations to in-person gatherings. This year, SOAR

is planned for flexibility with online worship and teaching and the ability for groups to gather in person or from their own homes. Ministries are finding creative ways to support their communities and are looking forward to help from SOAR teams. Even with limitation to gatherings, we have seen fruitful results from online ministry.







SOAR Alberta. Jaymie Scotney, short-term mission coordinator in Alberta, is available to serve ABMB in developing healthy disciples and mission leaders! Jaymie is excited to announce that there will be a SOAR AB this summer 2021!! Stay tuned for more information as the planning takes place! multiply.net/global-worker/jaymie-scotney

ACTION Winnipeg

ACTION is a flexible training program for individuals, families, and groups wanting to explore life on mission whether overseas or in their neighbourhood. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, ACTION was cancelled in 2020. However, Janell Friesen brought in ACTION alumni and potential new ACTION members to join her in Global Conversations. These Zoom calls were an opportunity for our global workers from around the globe to lead discussion groups with those interested in life on mission.

The Impact Award

In response to research projects entitled Hemorrhaging Faith and Renegotiating Faith, significant partners have collaborated to offer The Impact Award, which is, essentially, funding to empower local churches to send first-year students to university campuses as funded missionaries. Churches can apply for \$2000 of direct funding to be used as a missionary stipend for the student in their first year of university. For

more information please visit **multiply.net/impact-award** or contact your regional Multiply office.

In memory of Renee Dueck who wished to see young people supported to make a missional impact.

TREK Central Canada

TREK is an eight-month discernment-on-mission opportunity for emerging leaders to apprentice with local church leaders and long-term workers. Assignments are local, national, and international. Due to COVID, our TREK participants are all serving locally at The Living Word Temple and Inner-city Youth Alive.

The 2020-21 TREKers are (see photo on next page):

- Ryan and Nadine Smith with Ara and Salome
- · Kelly and Lani Wiens with Sasha and Elizabeth
- Jenny Klassen
- Claire Westfall
- Aiden and Heather Penner
- Eric Pauls
- Kevin Dyck
- Jane Sinclair
- Luke Desrochers





TREK Team

Here are some highlights from the team that you have sent and supported:

In 2020, there were **25 missionaries** from Central Canada serving in **eight different countries** around the world.

- » Brad and Casadi Schroeder (Lanigan, SK) are in language study in Lopburi Thailand, preparing for longterm service in the country.
- D and S (Hepburn, SK) are serving the national church of South Asia by providing support and resources. D also serves on the Missional Leadership Training Team.
- D and M (Saskatoon, SK) are serving in a local Austrian church called Neue Heimat, translated "New Homeland." They are serving among recent immigrants and serving a national leader in Central Asia.
- Cory and Masami Giesbrecht (Winnipeg, MB) serve in Osaka with the Ishibashi church and as liaisons for Global Servants, TREK and Multiply with the Japan MB Conference.
- Doris Goertz (Winnipeg, MB) serves in the Amagasaki MB Church in Japan with a primary focus on teaching ESL classes, Bible study, music and more.
- Trevor and Joan Godard (Saskatoon, SK), Sandra and Isra Plett-Chavez (Steinbach, MB), and Jen Schmidt (Elm Creek), all serve at The Matthew Training Centre in Guadalajara, Mexico. They provide cross-cultural training and discipleship for mission interns. Trevor and Joan will be retiring this year following a tour to all their supporting churches.
- Jeremy and Adrienne Penner (Steinbach, MB) continue to serve in Thailand where they are focusing on disciple making among the Burmese.

- Dave and Louise Sinclair-Peters (Williams Lake, BC) serve in Myanmar providing Burmese leaders with mentoring, training and business as mission.
- Liana Penner (Saskatoon, SK) is serving in Saskatoon and awaiting deployment to Brazil.
- » Richard and Hazel Funk (Saskatoon, SK) facilitate member care to International Workers in Europe and Central Asia. They also resource Austrian leaders and are entering into a time of transition as they prepare for their retirement at the end of this term. "After 34 years, we have come to the end phase of our ministry in Austria and Europe with Multiply (MB Mission). Lord willing, we will board an airplane on April 5 for our return to Saskatoon, where we plan to retire."
- » Rebecca Hiebert (Moose Jaw, SK) serves local leadership in Chachoengsao Thailand, making disciples and planting Thai churches at the Hope Center.
- A and R N are in Asia and serve a church plant among Muslim believers.
- >> Lavern Pratt (Saskatoon, SK) is serving in Saskatoon and awaiting deployment to Panama.

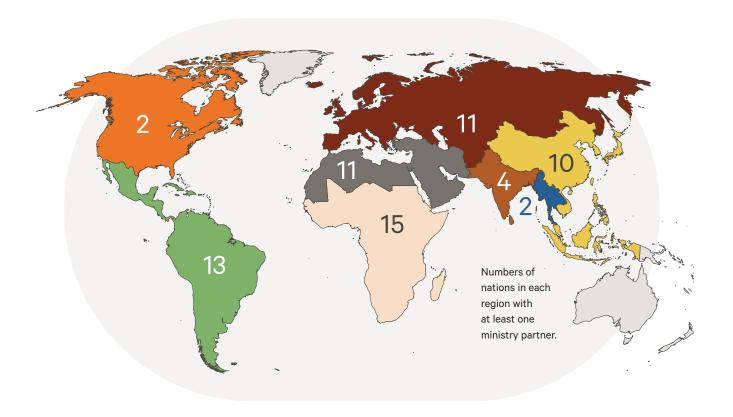


Let's Celebrate our Shared Impact in 2020

Working together to make Jesus known, we saw

377 churches planted and 5,560 people baptized in 68 nations
as reported by our

89 Global Workers* and 91 National Leaders



Facilitating mission engagement among U.S. and Canadian churches, we saw
463 people participate in mission and discipleship training
12 Global Partnership video calls, each with up to 74 participants
279 churches involved in global mission through Multiply

*Global Workers refers to Long-Term Missionaries sent from North America as well as International Partner Missionaries.



Financial Overview

Fiscal Year in USD: June 2019 - May 2020

Ongoing Operations

Revenue: \$ 9,785,509

Net: (\$ 61,267)

Includes one-time internal restructuring expenses related to our ongoing Short-Term Mission Programs.

Discontinued Operations

Revenue: \$ 397,483

Expenses: \$ 800,917

Net: (\$ 403,434)

Refers to de-merger revenues and expenses. Not shown in pie chart below.

How Your Gifts Were Put to Work

\$ 9,846,776

Cross-Cultural Mission Activities | 59%

Central & South America | 7%

East Asia | 6%

Expenses:

Europe & Central Asia | 14%

Middle East & North Africa | 3%

North America | 3%

(Indigenous & Immigrants)

South Asia | 2%

Southeast Asia | 15%

Sub-Saharan Africa | 4%

Worldwide Initiatives | 5%

27% | Church Mission Engagement 16% | Church Partnership Support

11% | Mission & Discipleship Training (includes Short-Term Mission programs)

5% | Missionary Care

Equipping & Team Health

9% | Administration

Finance, IT, Legal & Governance

Our Generous Donors

Individuals & Families

Estates & Foundations

47% 35% 12% 6%

Churches

Businesses



