

YEAR END REPORT 2015

Global Action Focus

"Therefore, Go and Make Disciple of All Nations..." Jesus Christ, Matthew 28:19

At *Global Action*, we address arguably the greatest challenge to the growth of Christianity in the world today; that is, the majority of the church leadership in the world is vastly underequipped to lead the church. With a major emphasis on evangelism and church planting today, an estimated 75,000 people in the "developing" world come to Christ daily. However, it is alarming to know that 85% of the pastors leading these new believers have less than one hour of Bible training and are underequipped to lead their congregations. In fact, most are first generation Christians, and an estimated 86% who grew up in a non-Christian home never knew a Christian before salvation. While the greatest burden of leading the Jesus' charge to "Go make disciples…" lies with them, most have little idea what it means to be a true disciple of Christ. They and their church members are dangerously susceptible to false teaching, frustration, and very often, failure.

This is where Global Action comes in...

EQUIP. ENGAGE. EMPOWER.

Because we believe that one of the greatest challenges within the global church is the lack of mature leadership, *Global Action* is on a mission to *equip* pastors and church leaders in the developing world so they can impact their communities; both spiritually and physically. Our ministry is designed to *engage* and *empower* God's church to make disciples of all nations.



TRAIN. INSPIRE. ENCOURAGE.

Over the lifetime of *Global Action*, our main concentration and greatest long-term value to world missions has been to train and equip leaders of all backgrounds, ages, and gender. We continue to *train* frontline pastors and church planters in developing nations through our GLOMOS (<u>Global Module Studies</u>), our 8-month Biblical and Ministry foundation training. We *inspire* them, every step of the way, to preach the gospel, make disciples, and plant new life-giving churches. We *encourage* them to reach their own communities and to join hands with other leaders for greater effectiveness.



GROW. IMPACT. DISCIPLE.

We concentrate on leadership training because every success or failure begins and ends with leadership. Strong, healthy leaders *grow* strong, healthy churches full of true disciples. In turn, strong and healthy life giving disciples of Jesus will *impact* their communities in an effective and positive way; regardless of where in the world they are. Disciples feed people. Disciples rescue the hurting and care for the needy. Disciples share their faith. Disciples make disciples! That is why we believe that all believers should have a well-trained, disciple making pastor leading them.



Eastern European Report

Igor Grishajev, Eastern Europe, L'viv, Ukraine

In February, we started our GLOMOS class with 28 students, however, due to several issues, we decided to restart the class a few months later at a different location with an entirely new roster of students. Sometimes this happens when we see that a class does not have the right mix of students and there is a greater need in another place. We want to make sure that we are targeting the right students, and that the time and money that we expend are used most effectively.

Having said that, we restarted the class among the Roma (Gypsy) community which currently has the greatest need for what we do. We are on track to graduate 43 pastors. Over the past few years, we have been given an opportunity to reach into a few of the refugee camps and minister to the people through our compassion ministries. This has allowed us to start up a GLOMOS class for pastors who are part of the Roma community and reach a group of people that have very little access to any training at all. This is a people whose culture is full of superstition and pagan rituals. One of their "tribal" leaders, a non-Christian, requested to be in the GLOMOS class so he would know what his people were learning, and thus allowing us to share the Gospel without any hindrances. We are believing for his salvation. This truly is a miracle!

■ Victor Fontash is a pastor of a growing Roma church in Uzhhorod, which was started in a Gypsy slum for the Roma people. Their focus is reaching out specifically to the Roma people to see more of this group come to Jesus. He is thankful for the training that he received through the GLOMOS program and learning how to interpret the Bible, knowing Jesus and his character more, and the connections and fellowship with other pastors and the GLOMOS professors. The high level of material and the quality of the teachers are what he considers the greatest value of GLOMOS. (Uzhhorod, Trans Carpathian Region, Western Ukraine.)



Pastor Victor with some members from his church

During 2015, we have seen 14 new church plants from last year's graduates. Through these new churches we have seen 346 salvations, 238 baptisms, with an average attendance of 30 people per church. We will follow up on these pastors to help them continue to grow their churches and spread the Gospel throughout Ukraine.

Because a big part of our ministry in Ukraine was concentrated on children, we continue to sow outreach "seed" and vision into our graduates. In the past, we encouraged them to send us children so they could be ministered to at our center in Crimea. Now, we encourage them to take responsibility for those children, and minister to them throughout the year. In early 2015, we enabled our graduates, in 14 locations throughout Ukraine, to hold Christmas events for more than 1,400 children. These children were shown the love of God through stories, drama plays, and activities. Each child also received a gift of their own. Many of these children have never received a Christmas gift due to being orphaned, poor, or simply neglected. Not only did the children experience the love of Christ, but the 95 church volunteers who served them were touched as well.

■ Khrystya is a 14 year old girl who was part of a Christmas camp near the war zone in Ukraine. It is a very dangerous place right now, but life still goes on. She was raised in a very dysfunctional family and spent much of her life in and out of orphanages. To say the least, life has been difficult for her. This year, a church of one of our graduates from Dnepropetrovsk, about 40 miles away, went to her city and held a 3-day Christmas Bible camp. During this camp, she learned about Christ and His love for her. One of the things she was most impressed with was that the people from the



church seemed to genuinely care about her and made her feel loved. She learned the Lord's Prayer and commented that now she knows how to pray when she feels lonely. (Kryviy Rig, Dnepropetrovsk region, Eastern Ukraine)

We have done summer camps for many years in Ukraine, but wanted to involve more local churches. For years, they have depended on "Western" Christian organizations to do this for them. Our system now is for individual, local churches to come up with a plan and budget for their own summer camps. We evaluate the projects and encourage them by providing partial funding for their first camp. This summer, through the churches, we were able to minister to 1,293 children, in 19 different locations throughout Ukraine. These children were told stories, participated in activities, fed nutritious meals, and loved on for a week. One of the locations was a Roma Gypsy refugee camp for 120 children. The poverty and persecution among this people group is unbelievable; so, for a group of people to come and love on them is incredibly impressionable. More importantly, these people tell them that God loves them and knows them. These camps have opened the door for us to continue ministering them and their families by training Roma pastors through our GLOMOS program.

Gypsies are often overlooked. This summer, one of our graduate's churches choose to hold a Bible camp for the Gypsy children in their area. This experience was so uncommon for these children because most of them do not even attend school, and their parents work. The church choose to work with these children because God calls us to make disciples of all nations, and these people are rejected by society. They have no legal or citizenship documentations, which leaves the children extremely vulnerable. The church told us that they had wanted to hold this summer camp for some time and Global Action helped make that dream come true. They thanked us for assisting them when



Gypsy Children's Camp

they needed the help. The children learned to pray and to sing songs about God's love and mercy. They were taught lessons from the Bible and given the opportunity to participate in performances to bring the Bible to life. At the end of the camp, the children put on a performance of songs and stories they had learned for their parents at a picnic supplied by the church.

The pastor told us that the children were overwhelmed by being fed three meals a day at the camp. For many of them, this was the first time in their lives they did not go to bed hungry. Many needed new clothing, which the church also provided. One important by-product of the camps was for the church members who

volunteered. Several of the volunteers said that it made them realize that the Gypsy people need help. One of them said, "We are so thankful to the Lord for the opportunity to serve these poor children and teach them about the love of God our Father. Jesus became their best friend. We will follow up with them through our church. The new Christians need to be discipled and we need to continue to develop that relationship with them." ("Way of Love" Church, Odessa, Ukraine)

Greatest Challenge for Global Action in Ukraine: Overall lack of unity between churches in Ukraine.

Greatest Victory: Bringing together many different churches and pastors at GLOMOS in Uzhhorod.

Plans for 2016: We just finished our Christmas camps all over Ukraine. In April, we will graduate all of those who completed their studies in Uzhhorod. In August, we will start GLOMOS and have 4 locations that we will target with an estimated 120 students, from 5 countries. We will again work through an estimated 25 churches for summer Bible camps and expect to minister to 1,800 children. We are still seeing remnants of the conflict with Russia that started in early 2014, but God is opening doors throughout the country for His Gospel to be spread.

Here are the locations that we hope you adopt and pray for:

- 1. Lviv, Western Ukraine
- 2. Uzhhorod, Trans-Carpathian Mountains, Ukraine (Roma people)
- 3. Slavyabsk, Eastern Ukraine (in war area)
- 4. Trenopyl, Central Ukraine

Central American Report

Gloria Fernandez, Regional Director, San Pedro Sula, Honduras

In Central America, our team graduated 155 students in eight locations throughout Honduras (6) and Guatemala (2). As you know, Honduras is a very dangerous place to live and minister, but we see God moving throughout the country. We continue to minister in the Central Prison of San Pedro Sula and God is starting to open doors in other prisons around the country as well. Through one of our generous GA partners, God has provided the funding for both of our Guatemalan locations, which allowed us to operate there fully funded throughout last year without having to tap into funds for Honduras. Central America has had a Gospel presence for quite some time, but we are now seeing it penetrate the violent culture that abounds. We are excited about being a part of this movement, and are beginning to partner with other churches and organizations to build a more mature, unified church.



Hugo Medina (right) at a recent training seminar

■ Pastor Hugo Medina graduated from GLOMOS in 2014. Last year, he approached us and asked if he could teach GLOMOS to the uneducated pastors where he lived, about 4 hours up in the mountains. He taught GLOMOS in Gracias Lempira last year and will teach a new class again this year. Recently, he shared his experience with us, both as a GLOMOS student and as a teacher: "As a student in 2014, GLOMOS was the most wonderful experience for me. I was able to grasp an understanding of the Scripture like never before. One of the things that I enjoyed the most was meeting people from all over Honduras with the same desire to know the Word of God better. One of the most significant changes

in my ministry was learning how to prepare better sermons and the importance of knowing the context, culture, and traditions of the time. In 2015, God, and Global Action, gave me the opportunity to teach GLOMOS in Lempira, Western Honduras. I taught 16 students from different communities and denominations of the region. The hunger they displayed touched me and after every module, I was so encouraged to hear what they had learned. Of course, the enemy tried to discourage some of them but God always showed up and gave up the encouragement to go forward. I thank God for those who He used to develop GLOMOS, and giving us a clearer understanding of the Scriptures. It has been a blessing for countless pastors and servants in the churches around the world."

In 2013, we connected with another ministry in Guatemala called El Faro, translated "The Lighthouse." They allow us to use their facilities to hold GLOMOS. We have seen this partnership grow over the last two years. It is amazing to see the staffs of our two ministries mesh together and work as a team. Together, we have seen a transformation in the towns and villages up in the mountains and down along the coast. This year, the two locations in Guatemala will host students from 3 countries. Our first Belize students will join the class in February. We are invited to several other parts of Guatemala and anticipate starting several new locations there in 2017.

■ Kique Blanco is a GLOMOS graduate, class of 2014, from the first El Faro class. He is Garifuna and lives in Livingstone, Izabal, Guatemala on the coast near Belize. He was a DJ and one of the most popular figures for many of the youth in the area. Several years ago, he was working for the Port Authority and began to attend a Bible study cell group in Puerto Barrios. He tried to change his lifestyle of drinking and

drugs but it didn't last long. He soon left the cell group and returned to his old lifestyle and was worse than ever. He began to abuse his wife and missed so many days of work that he was fired. They returned to Livingstone and lived with his wife's mother but he continued to drink and smoke marijuana until all their money ran out. In June 2013, Kique met Pastor Miguel at a medical outreach put on by the church. Miguel and his wife, Laura, invited Kique and his wife to attend a Bible study but he would never come. He would always say that he was coming but there was always an excuse. Three months later, Kique



Kique Blanco (far right) baptizing new Christians in Livingstone

showed up at the pastor's house. He was drunk and very sad – he was desperate! He told them that his marriage was falling apart. Miguel and Laura went to their house, read some passages from the Bible, and prayed with them to receive Christ. Since then, Kique and his wife are always in church. He has a hunger for the word of God and has been so faithful to Jesus. After GLOMOS, he began to travel throughout the country ministering to youth in many churches, singing, rapping, and telling his testimony. He recently became the associate pastor at his church and was one of the attendees in our "Training the Trainer" seminar this January. He will also teach some of the GLOMOS classes this year. God has done a miracle in this man and his family and he is a faithful witness for Christ wherever he goes!

Over the last 2 years, we brought our San Pedro Sula and El Faro classes together for the last class and graduation. In 2016, we will not do this as the number of locations has grown so rapidly and will prohibit us from doing so. It was a nice change of pace and the joint evangelism events had tremendous fruit. Our Puerto Barrios group has matured enough to begin doing this on their own.

Throughout Central America, God is moving in amazing ways. Although we do not have complete statistics yet, we know that our graduates saw 7,245 salvations with 3,751 baptisms last year alone. We have trained pastors and leaders from very large churches, however, we are seeing much growth in the smaller churches as well. Church attendance among the smaller, but growing, churches was tracked at nearly 30,000 members as of the end of last year.

Greatest Challenge: Entrusting the GLOMOS program to our graduates. They came through with flying colors. We know that we must take risks, sometimes at the risk of failure. Thank God that they did an even better job than anticipated. Why do we doubt!

Greatest Victory: We graduated 155 pastors from the rural areas.

Plans for 2016: This January, one of our GLOMOS professors from Denver, RJ Koerper, and Phil held our first 2-day "Training the Trainers" seminar. We hosted 35 GLOMOS graduates who were the "cream of the crop" of our Honduran classes through the years. These men and women, mostly pastors themselves, will take GLOMOS to the uttermost parts of Central America where it is difficult for the students to travel to our central training locations. We will start 14 new locations that will all be taught by national leaders. We expect to have at least 350 students in 2016. This is the next phase for Global Action. We plan to hold these seminars in the other regions of the world in late 2016, and early 2017. This will allow us to train multiples of pastors, at a fraction of the expense. In the "Training the

Trainers" seminar, we teach the students how to teach more effectively, how to motivate students to learn, and go through the modules so they know what to emphasize and how to test understanding. We gave them each training materials and a beautiful Global Action banner with the name of their location. They look professional!

Here are the locations that we hope you adopt and pray for:

- 1. San Predo Sula, Honduras
- 2. El Centro Penal, SAP, Honduras (prison)
- 3. Tocoa, Colon, Honduras
- 4. Palacios, Moskitia, Honduras
- 5. Gracias, Lempira, Honduras
- 6. Chamalecon, San Pedro, Honduras
- 7. Puerto Barrios, Izabal, Guatemala
- 8. Livingstone, Izabal, Guatemala
- 9. San Pedro Copan, Honduras
- 10. Dos Caminos Cortes, Honduras
- 11. Pimienta, Honduras
- 12. Trujillo, Honduras
- 13. Brus Laguna La Moskitia, Honduras
- 14. Omoa, Honduras
- 15. Theos, San Pedro Sula, Honduras



Praying for the teachers at the end of the seminar. They are each holding up the banner for their location.

Central Asia Report

Amit Mondal, Administrator and GLOMOS Coordinator, Hyderabad, A.P., India

India has seen a very tough year, but God has been faithful. Early in 2015, the Indian government and the banking system decided to freeze all of our accounts and make us jump through a seemingly endless set of hoops to lift the restrictions. This made our operations in India difficult. Over the past few weeks, we finally received our breakthrough and are able to continue operations as normal. Despite the difficulties, we were still able to train 147 pastors in 8 locations. We were prepared to start 4 other locations but could not do it financially because of the banking situation.

Another exciting development for us in India is our partnership with a church denomination in the state of West Bengal. For the size of the state and its population of 91 million, the Christian population is only 0.72%. This year, Phil was able to meet with the leadership of the Bengali Christian Network and begin mobilizing trainers, and developing a strategy, to reach all twenty of the districts in this state. It is so refreshing to meet like-minded ministries, and their leaders, that we can join with to reach the unreached. It was also refreshing that our conversations did not revolve around funding and costs, but around their desire to see more pastors trained and equipped for an effective ministry at their local churches.

Pastor Samir Haldar faces typical persecution most Indian Christians suffer. He was badly beaten by a mob that his neighbor organized because he started a church in his house. He was forced to temporarily close down his church. Five months later, the same neighbor twisted her ankle and she collapsed in pain directly in front of Samir's house. Immediately, the pastor stepped into the street and prayed for her. The lady was in so much pain that she didn't try to stop him. After he prayed, nearly all the pain was gone. She was so thankful that she allowed him to start up his church again without any hindrance. Several weeks later, she was so curious that she began to attend the church. Since that time, she has become a believer in Jesus Christ and has brought 10 people into the church to hear about the God who heals.



At one of the locations, Aler Village, we graduated 12 pastors this year, and the churches have seen much growth. There have been 123 new salvations, 56 baptisms, and an increase of 300 people attending church. This may not seem like "much" growth to some, but remember that this is India where becoming a Christian means being outcasts in your society and most of the time, their families ostracize them. In these far out places, Christians are considered lower than the "untouchables." This summer in Aler, through evangelism, nutritional care and diaper distribution (to the mothers of newborns), and children's summer camps, we were able to reach close to 400 people with the Word of God. We were able to help 300 babies and their mothers, who live well below the poverty line, with balanced nutrition and diapers to ensure proper growth and care. These pastors and volunteers also saw approximately 60 children ministered to through summer camps.

Anjiamma is the Christian grandmother of baby Pinky. As a housekeeper in one of the more affluent residents, she would see the mother of the house care for her baby with diapers and nutrition. It saddened her that she could not provide the same care for her granddaughter. She began praying that God would provide somehow the care that she needed. Through the outreach supported by Global Action and her local church, God provided.



■ Brother Jayraju graduated from GLOMOS in 2015. He lives and works in Aler Village helping our sponsor pastor, Pastor Elia, as an associate in the church there. For several years, his desire was to start churches in the surrounding areas so they could reach more people for God. The hindrance, he felt, was that he was not adequately equipped in the word of God to be a pastor. When we brought GLOMOS to his area, he and his pastor knew that this was an answer to prayer and he joined the new class. During the year, he began developing the confidence to walk in his vision to go out and plant churches. He has already planted 4 churches in 4 different villages. Today, he has 25 new believers that he led to the Lord and are attending the



churches. These are exactly the type of leaders that we want to equip so they can walk confidently and soundly in the vision God has given them.



Passing out food and supplies

Nepal Earthquake – The story that headlined the news on April 25th was of the 7.8 magnitude earthquake that rocked the country. It was considered one of the worst natural disasters of that country, leaving over 8,800 people dead and more than 21,000 injured. It was so far reaching that there were also casualties in the surrounding countries of India, China, and Bangladesh. The earthquake also triggered a deadly avalanche on Mount Everest, killing 19 people, and became the deadliest day in the history of the mountain. There were also many after-shocks, the worst happening on May 12th, killing an additional 200 people and injuring over 2,500. Over 450,000 people have been displaced due to this disaster.

Having done GLOMOS for many years in Nepal, we received requests for help. *Global Action* made a small appeal from our partners and received over \$16,000 USD. With that money, our staff and friends in India and Nepal were able to go in and provide materials to build temporary shelters, supply packets which included rice, lentils, cooking oil, salt, sugar, green and yellow peas, biscuits, tooth paste, soap, and other hygiene items. We held medical camps to care for the injured and assist those who had lost family members. A total of 200 families, in three villages that did not receive any other assistance, were helped. We are so thankful to those partners in the United States and the United Kingdom who donated towards our work in Nepal, and allowed us to spread God's love to these families in the worst moments of their lives. **Thank you!**



Helping to build temporary housing

Sufi is a 10-year old Nepali girl who lost her grandfather in the earthquake. During the outreach, she relayed her story to us: "We have a small kitchen and garden in the back side of our house and I was there with my grandmother when this earthquake took place. When the ground began to shake, my grandmother and I fell on ground. We heard a big sound but had no idea what it was! When we were able to stand up, we ran around the side of the house and realized that part of our roof had collapsed. My grandfather, who was the

only one in the house, was seriously injured. My father left us and my mother was in a different village at the time. With our neighbor's help, we tried to take my grandfather to hospital but could not because the earthquake had broken up the road and we had no transportation. My grandfather died the next day. Now, we live in a field without any proper shelter." When she told this story, our staff said that she was still very frightened. We provided materials to build a make shift home and gave them water and food. Later, through funds from Global Action, she and her family were able to purchase a tent for shelter as well as food and provisions.



Sufi with Amit Mondal, GA Indian Administrator

Blanket Ministry – We were also able to distribute 100 blankets in the village of Shankarampet, India. It may not seem like much but these blankets are vital to ensure that people survive the harsh winters and freezing temperatures. With an average temperature below freezing during the winter months, many people die of hypothermia. Global Action has been distributing blankets to the poor in these areas for 10 years. Although we don't promote our blanket ministry as in past years, we still have people that give regularly to this outreach ministry and we make sure that blankets are purchased and passed out through the local churches in India.

Greatest Challenge: "Financially, this year has been the hardest in Action Ministries' 15 year history. Our bank account was blocked for more than 10 months, making paying bills and salaries difficult. But in spite of this God helped us to complete 8 GLOMOS classes."

Greatest Victory: "God has opened new doors in Northeast India to take GLOMOS to many more church leaders."

Plans for 2016: This year, we will launch our GLOMOS on the border of Bhutan. We have been praying for the right time and opportunity and it is here. Our coordinator in the Himalayan region, Kiran Sharma, has had heart to do this for some time for those pastors who risk persecution on a daily basis. Since the banking situation has been cleared up, we will begin the additional 4 locations we could not start in 2015. In addition, we are planning to start 6 new locations in West Bengal and 1 in the most remote places in the Bay of Bengal with 2 graduates who feel called as missionaries to that region. We are also preparing for several locations in north eastern India, where there is a Christian population but the church is full of heresy and idol worship. In total, we will have 14 locations in India. We anticipate 280 students in India.

Here are the locations that we hope you adopt and pray for:

- 1. Aler Village, A.P, India
- 2. Sundarbad, West Bengal, India
- 3. Jaigaon, Himalayas, India/Bhutan
- 4. Delhi, U.P., India
- 5. Ranchi, Jarkhand, India
- 6. Varanasi ,U.P., India
- 7. Hyderabad, A.P, India
- 8. [8 14] Bengali Christian Network, Kolkata and West Bengal, India

What's New in 2016?

Two major shifts in Global Action have taken place going into 2016:

"Training the Trainers" – In 2015, we did pilot GLOMOS' in Honduras in 4 locations, where we allowed 4 of our top students to teach GLOMOS in their remote locations. Although it meant long hours of study and preparation for them, they did an incredible job. In September, Phil met with 20 GLOMOS graduates and challenged them to take personal responsibility of training the pastors in their area of the world. They responded by committing to hold training locations and teach the classes themselves. In January, we trained 35 teachers who will start GLOMOS with 350 students in March. They have committed to cross church and denomination lines to teach and help fund the training of indigenous pastors in their country. This is a milestone for us in the area of multiplication. We have dreamed and talked of this since the inception of GLOMOS, but had no plan except to give our 5 books and tell students to train 5 more. We had no way of evaluating if they did so, and if they did, no way of knowing the quality of instruction. These will be actual GLOMOS locations monitored for quality and using our system of training.

Rewriting the GLOMOS curriculum – Especially in light of our multiplication strategy, we have had the need for years to revamp and rewrite our curriculum. We've used our training curriculum for over a decade now. It was written by a variety of teachers and seminary professors. The content of the modules is the essential information and knowledge a Bible school student would learn if they would go to a four-year Bible college, however the majority of the pastors who are enrolled in GLOMOS have an average of a fifth- or sixth-grade education. In many instances, when our teachers go to teach the three-day modules, they would make changes and would adapt their teaching style, but also select what parts of the training to teach and what parts to skip – mostly because of time constraints. Although all of the material is good, there is far too much information which makes it extremely difficult to teach and the teaching methods are far too inconsistent. We are condensing the material and adding lots of teaching notes, student questions, and contextualization for the different cultures so that GLOMOS is easier to teach, easier to learn, and easier to evaluate results of learning. This is a huge undertaking!

We gathered a team together last summer of theologians, curriculum specialist, and pastors to create a guiding team for the new curriculum. We have volunteers who are now in the process of either re-writing or condensing the material. All modules should be done by April 30th. We will then begin editing and formatting. Upon completion of that stage, we'll begin translation into 6 languages. Each module will cost about \$10,000 to complete. Please pray with us for these extra funds.

Why do you support Global Action?

Recently, we asked a few of our Board Members and GLOMOS professors to comment on why they are involved with *Global Action* and this is what they said:

"My family and I support a few ministries after careful evaluation of their missions and financials. We seek to support those that best carry out the Great Commission and do so in a way that gets the best return for the dollars invested. Training pastors in their own country to work among their fellow countrymen make cultural, language, and financial sense. Knowing that *Global Action* is developing new curriculum that can be understood by third world Christians that can't afford or attend seminary is an exciting and effective way of reaching and teaching almost 50 times the number of new pastors! We like that type of multiplication and the developing world needs it." **Dr. Ken Gibson**, GA Board Member, Colorado Springs, CO

"My wife and I support *Global Action* for two main reasons: 1.) The mission of training people to be disciples so they can make disciples is important to me because that is what Christ told us to do. These new Christians then do the local ministry, as it should be done; 2.) *Global Action* does this training and mentoring at such a low cost per person that I consider them to be one of the very best values for someone who wants the most for their donation dollar." **Barry Fluth,** GA Board Member, Big Lake, MN

"We have supported Global Action for the last few years. My wife and I give financially each month to GA and with special offerings from time to time. Last year, my wife was deathly sick, and the Lord intervened and healed her. We were so grateful we sent a special offering to GA as a Thank Offering to God for His goodness and mercy. I also go as a GLOMOS instructor in the spring to train and equip pastors and leaders because I believe in the work and vision of *Global Action*. By being connected to *Global Action*'s ministries, we feel we are doing our part in fulfilling the Great Commission to bring the Gospel to the world." **Ted Long**, GA Board Member, Antonito, CO

"Good news: the Body of Christ globally is growing rapidly. New churches are planted daily but mature leadership is often lacking. Trained church leaders are crucial to disciple new believers, and sustaining the growth. My career has taken me into many places around the world where I personally saw the importance of having trained pastoral leadership. *Global Action*'s approach to training leaders for these churches is powerful. The program is spiritually solid, culturally relevant, and delivered in a way that is sensitive to local needs." **Scott Dickson**, GA Board Member, Dallas, TX

"Global Action has opened the door to marvelous opportunities to travel and become involved in the Lord's dynamic and growing Kingdom and witness at first hand that "Of the increase of His Government there will be no end." The three stranded rope of *Global Action*, namely leadership training, short term mission and practical love and compassion is a powerful and dynamic vision to serve stimulate and encourage the growth of the local Church and mission. God is stretching local churches to become involved in global ministry and *Global Action* is wonderfully fitting the bill. The emphasis on discipleship is compellingly urgent and Biblical and clearly very fruitful. My involvement with *Global Action* has enriched my ministry in so many ways and given me fresh vision and impetus to continue to serve the Lord in the power of His Holy Spirit." **Rev. Mike Wood**, GLOMOS Professor, London, England

"Why do I support *Global Action*? Here are just a few of my reasons: 1) *Global Action* is an effective method for me to participate in the Great Commission; 2) The staff and management teams are highly skilled, Spirit-led men and women who are totally committed to the task of training effective spiritual leaders for the Kingdom and in making disciples for Christ; 3) The ministry directs 85% or more of all contributions to the stated goals and objectives of the organization; 4) The members of the international training teams are widely respected educators and pastors who

volunteer their time and financial resources to this important ministry; 5) *Global Action* is a proven, cost effective vehicle for the effective training of indigenous pastors and church leaders in underserved locations. Based on these reasons alone, the better question might be, 'Why wouldn't I sacrificially support *Global Action*?'" **Pastor Tom White**, GLOMOS Professor/Writer, Alpine, AZ

"I have had the privilege of traveling to Ukraine with *Global Action* since 2007. Each time I go I am reminded of the value of frontline, in the trenches ministries, like *Global Action*. From meeting practical needs to leadership training to church planting, *Global Action* prioritizes Kingdom work. Why do I support *Global Action*? Because they are working to change the nations, one person, one church, one community at a time." **Pastor Tony Stanley**, GLOMOS Professor, Verndale, MN

We encourage you as a supporter of *Global Action* to write or call us and tell us why you support *Global Action*. It is a big encouragement to us here and may encourage others to join the movement as well.

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Prayer Requests

- 1. We are believing for a 10% increase in donations this year for *Global Action*. Please continue to support this ministry and pray with us that more financial partners will join you and me.
- 2. Pray for the health and protection of our staff and teachers. We are in some of the most dangerous areas of the world to live and work.
- 3. We are in the middle of our GLOMOS re-write and we ask that you pray that everything comes together easily, and for wisdom for the editors, designers, and the translators.
- 4. Please pray for safety as we travel to raise money, work to share our vision, do graduations and trainings throughout the world.
- 5. Pray for our GLOMOS students and programs. Pray that there is supernatural understanding and they are fruitful in all their endeavors.
- 6. We are asking for wisdom as we plan expansions into other countries. Pray for our Board as they determine what God's plan is for *Global Action*.