





## Letter from the President

Dear [salutation],

We are rejoicing over God's faithfulness in the last year. Despite the ongoing challenges of the pandemic, together we were able to equip 1,366 pastors and ministry leaders to transform their communities with the gospel over the last year. Praise God!

In 2021, we expanded our work to serve ministry leaders in strategic new locations, such as Costa Rica and Panama. We were able to continue responding to the urgent needs arising from the pandemic, and we found creative ways to make use of technology to reach leaders in places impacted by lockdowns.

You helped make all of this possible. I'm pleased to share that we also had our biggest end-of-year giving in a decade, allowing us to start the new year with strong momentum. Thank you for partnering with us in the gospel. We can't wait to see what God will do in the year ahead.

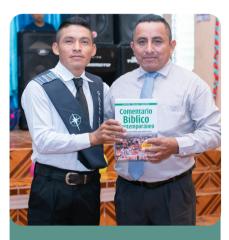
With gratitude,



Dr. Rick Thompson President

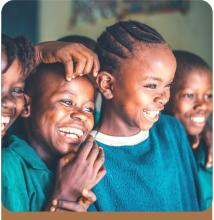
#### Our Mission:

Equipping leaders in hard places to transform their communities with the gospel of Jesus Christ.



#### **Equipping Leaders** in Hard Places

We seek out gospel movements in the hard places, mobilizing and resourcing the leaders who are already strategically located there.



#### To Transform Their Communities

We focus on equipping national churches to meet societal needs long-term, since healthy churches are the hands and feet of Christ.



#### With the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

We are dedicated to the gospel in all we do. Our aim is to equip church leaders to lead disciplemaking, gospelsaturated churches.

By focusing on mobilizing Christian leaders in the hard places of the world, we are able to provide long-term, sustainable impact. The leaders we train go on to:

- ✓ Teach the true, complete Gospel.
- ✓ Evangelize, baptize, and make disciples.
- ✓ Lead healthy, multiplying churches.
- Model a Christ-like care for the poor.
- ▼ Feed the hungry & provide for the vulnerable.

Foundations was a life-changing program for me as a house church pastor. I learned different ways to study, interpret, preach, and lead my people in our walk with the Lord and in fulfilling His work here on Earth—making His disciples.

—Ellya, Ukraine



In 2021, we mobilized Christ-like leaders in the following locations:









1,366 Leaders Equipped in 2021









# CULT MEMBER TO GOSPEL PREACHER

Blessmore Ackson was born and raised in Zimbabwe as part of the Nyau culture, where he grew up in a cult based on ancestral worship. Because of the predominance of the Nyau cult in his area, he had barely heard anything about Jesus or Christianity.

But when an evangelistic outreach came to his town one day, he was so attracted by the compelling sermons that he couldn't stop listening. God captured his heart, and he surrendered his life to Christ!

After a few years as a Christian, his church began asking him to preach in their mid-week gatherings and other larger functions. Eager to share the Good News with others, Blessmore served in this capacity for almost 15 years without any biblical training.

When Global Action began offering theological education in his area, Blessmore leapt at the opportunity. He soaked up all the biblical teaching, and graduated in 2021 bursting with joy because he knows he has a solid foundation in the Scriptures.

Blessmore is equipped with the tools to understand, teach, and live out the gospel faithfully and boldly in his community. Now he can truly live up to his name as a blessing to his neighbors. Thank you for making this possible!

I was taught how to study, understand and interpret the Bible properly. I also learned to deliver sermons to the audience in a way that they can understand. I have learned to have intimacy with Christ first, because knowledge without a relationship with him is in vain. I have also learned to share the Word of God with my family at home. The course impacted me in amazing ways. It instilled confidence and courage in me to share God's Word, because now I know I have the necessary information to share it properly.

—Blessmore Ackson ('21)

### **BUILDING MOMENTUM**

#### A Financial Report

2021 was a year of building momentum. The number of leaders trained; the number of languages represented through translation; the number of people groups and communities transformed—all of these continue to increase through your partnership! Thank you.

Behind the scenes, our team has been working hard to keep building the structures that make our life-changing work possible. In late 2020, Global Action changed back-office administration to Cedarstone, in Wheaton, IL. This important move allows us to better serve our donors and our staff, and it has been an even bigger blessing than we could have anticipated.

We have also significantly improved our forecasting and budgeting processes, proactively working together as an executive team. The entire team guards our financial boundaries (budget), while using creativity and perseverance to accomplish our mission to equip leaders.

Our annual independent audit for fiscal year-ending September 2021 is in progress. Upon its completion, updated financials will be available on our website, as well as reported on our Public Form 990.

Financial reports from previous years are available for review under the Financial Accountability section of our website. For questions or comments, you may contact me directly at: rsmith@globalaction.com.

We take our commitment of faithful financial stewardship seriously because we know that every leader trained has the potential to impact countless lives for generations to come. We are promised that the sharing of His Word will never return empty. What could be a better investment?

Thank you for partnering with us to transform lives and communities with the Gospel. We invite you to join us again this year as we seek to equip over 2,022 leaders around the world. With your help, and our great Lord's blessing, we can and will accomplish His mission together.

Serving Him with you,



Richard R. Smith Chief Financial Officer

\$683,322\*

Total Income for Fiscal Year Ending Sept 2020 (\*Audited and corrected income)

\$776,441

Total Income for Fiscal Year Ending Sept 2021

# LOOKING AHEAD



We have some big plans for 2022! With the support of our partners like you, we hope to:

#### Equip 2,022 Leaders

to transform their communities in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and Eastern Europe.

# Expand to Strategic New Locations

such as South Sudan, Belarus, Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Slovakia, and more!

#### Continue Our Rapid Pandemic Response

by mobilizing local churches and leaders in the places of greatest need.

#### Provide Full-Ride Scholarships

for select students in each region to continue their biblical studies at a highquality Bible college in the Global South.

Thank you for partnering with us in the gospel. We can't wait to see what we will accomplish together in the coming year!

# THANK YOU for an amazing year!

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