



A woman in a yellow sari is the central figure, her hands raised in a gesture of prayer or participation. She is surrounded by a diverse crowd of people, many of whom are also raising their hands. The scene is filled with vibrant colors, including reds, blues, and yellows, suggesting a festive or spiritual gathering.

# 2025 MINISTRY REPORT





ABOVE: Chad Assistant National Director Everest during a 2024 training event.

COVER: A Pakistani believer prays while in the background several of their fellow villagers hear and receive the gospel.



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# From the Cofounders

Inherent in God's creation is the truth that living things multiply. From the very beginning, God's command to Adam and Eve was clear: be fruitful and multiply. This call has never changed. It is the heartbeat of our mission today—expanding God's Kingdom across the earth.

Jesus' ministry began with a small group of 12 disciples, then grew to 120, then to 3,000, and then to 5,000. Eventually, it expanded to such a number that it could no longer be counted—now, it is a global movement. Despite the enemy's relentless attempts to stop this movement through persecution, imprisonment, false teachings, and even martyrdom, God's Kingdom could not be contained. Nothing could halt the spread of His truth.

This year's annual theme for City for the Nations is "Seeds of Multiplication," inspired by the powerful parable of the sower and the seed in Matthew 13:3-23. When God's Word is planted in fertile soil, it multiplies abundantly—30, 60, and even 100-fold. The disciple-making movements we launch in nations mirror the simplicity and power of Jesus' own ministry. He trained His followers to do what He did: to enter unreached communities, establish bases of operation, and share His teachings through memorization and stories. The methods we use are simple, sustainable, scalable, and reproducible. Like the mustard seed, they may begin small, but over time, they grow into something great, reaching far beyond what we could imagine.



A woman hears the gospel in a crowded evangelism rally in Pakistan.

As our ministry continues to grow, both deep and wide—do you remember the song we sang as kids in Sunday school, "Deep and Wide"?—we are going deeper in [REDACTED] Niger, Chad, Thailand, and Eswatini. In these nations, movements are gaining momentum. Disciples are multiplying, churches are being planted, leaders are emerging, and unity is spreading across past barriers of division and extremist opposition to the Gospel. Entire regions are being reached, with every village targeted with the message of Christ's love. We are continually refining our strategies to expand into new nations—effectively, efficiently, and affordably.

Just recently, I returned from an incredible trip to Pakistan, where God opened doors for ministry in ways we never anticipated. I had the privilege of sharing the Gospel on national satellite television, reaching over 20 million viewers. We met with over 2,600 leaders who were eager for the vision and training we provide. We hosted two open-air evangelistic events, and 300 individuals surrendered their lives to Christ. And this is just the beginning! We launched a Disciple Making Movement in the Mirpur Khas District in Sindh Province, home to 1.68 million people and 1,700 villages with no church. With God's grace, this movement will multiply and spread throughout the entire nation and beyond.



TOP: Christians praying in a service in Pakistan.  
BOTTOM: A Pakistani villager.

During our training in Mirpur Khas, I was deeply moved by the 60 leaders in attendance. They have endured unimaginable persecution—their churches have been bombed by Taliban radicals, their families have been threatened, and many had been personally beaten. Yet, despite these trials, these faithful servants of Jesus have stood firm in their calling. They are willing to risk everything to share the Good News, no matter the cost (Rev. 12:11). We even had leaders from regions bordering Afghanistan and Iran, called to bring the Gospel to these closed nations. At the conclusion of the event, we gathered in a spirit of reverence, with a Holy Spirit-empowered atmosphere, and challenged the leaders to ask God what unreached villages or regions He was calling them to impact in the next six months—and to set bold, faith-stretching goals for the next three years. Their passionate responses, lifting commitment sheets to Jesus in fervent prayer, reminded me of our call to come alongside these front-line leaders. We are here to lift them up, offering our best: the best training, resources, ministry, and support. I joined them in their fervent prayers, asking God to help me and the entire City for the Nations movement give everything we can to support them in fulfilling their calling.



When people join with City for the Nations—through praying, giving, going, or sharing about the ministry—they become part of something powerful. Together, we are impacting millions of lives. Each of us has a role to play, and when we each fulfill that role, we will see God's Kingdom multiplied.

We are passionate about connecting those in the US with our refreshed vision and mission:

**Vision:** Our vision is a world where the Gospel of Christ is proclaimed to all, and the Great Commission is fully accomplished. Every person will hear the Gospel, have the opportunity to respond, be discipled, be part of a local church, and have the Bible available in their language. Simply stated: zero unreached people groups and places.

**Mission:** City for the Nations is committed to paying any price to unify, mobilize, equip, and deploy the Church to create multiplying movements of prayer, evangelism, discipleship, and church planting. We raise up ordinary disciples to do extraordinary acts to reach those who are lost in spiritual darkness. We partner with individuals and institutions to accelerate the work the Holy Spirit is calling them to accomplish.

Blessings and peace,

**MILES PHELPS**  
Executive Director  
City for the Nations



LEFT: Executive Director Miles Phelps with his wife Melanie and daughter Penielle.

ABOVE: Miles Phelps holding up the hands of a Pakistani man making a commitment to reach the unreached.

The City for the Nations 10 year anniversary celebration in some ways feels like it was only a few months ago. Yet here we are, one year later, with so much having occurred. As you can see, we've continued steadfastly in the call to plant healthy, multiplying churches where they do not exist in [REDACTED] Niger, Chad, Thailand, and Eswatini. We've also focused on what we believe is a unique ability to partner with other mission organizations in new nations to complete the work of zero places without a church. We remain enthusiastic about this work in partnership with God and with you.

Miles and I have often noticed how City for the Nations and Eden Companies seem to move along parallel tracks. We certainly have a similar mission and values we attempt to never stray from. These include first and foremost acting out of love for Jesus and others. I refer to these values as aspirational, meaning we will certainly miss the mark. Nonetheless, our aim remains to not only act in love, but to move in unity with all those who claim Jesus as Lord towards God's dream stated in John 17 & Revelations 5:9. We believe His dream is for all unreached nations and people who have yet to hear of His love to be given that opportunity. We believe He desires to carry his love in partnership with us as followers of Christ, so we must each understand our role or calling, but not forsake our family in the process. Again, we certainly fall short and are thankful for God's grace as we move forward.

A few other similarities I've noticed on the journey of Eden Companies and City for the Nations growth is the willingness to take calculated and prayerful steps of faith, expecting exponential growth. As we grow and mature, we both make adjustments and it seems rather than getting a wider focus, it actually narrows to

what God has for us. I cannot predict the future - but I have a God who is so big there is no need. He has and will continue to guide each of us towards His ultimate plan whether we understand the route or not. He is trustworthy and faithful. He heals, loves, forgives, and guides. Surely, if we move forward wholeheartedly seeking Him and His Kingdom, each of us will find our feet on the Rock.

It's been an honor and delight to co-found and serve City for the Nations over the last 11 years. I intend to continue sowing into City for the Nations with an expectation of compounding returns. May each of us play our most strategic role in completing the Great Commission given nearly 2000 years ago. May all the nations know and be transformed by the love of Christ!

Thank you,

**ANTHONY HUMPHRESS**

Board Chair, Cofounder  
City for the Nations



Board Chair Anthony Humphress with his son AJ, daughter Rylie, and wife Katie.

# The Work of City for the Nations

## CITY FOR THE NATIONS' METHOD



### CONNECT

We form deep relationships of trust with the many expressions of the indigenous Church in a nation with many unreached peoples and places. We invite leaders of the Church into relationships with us and with each other. We invite them into times of worship, prayer, planning, and collaboration to strengthen bonds of trust. At the same time, we learn about their lives, callings, and Spirit-driven ambitions for their home country.

### UNIFY

We cast the vision for the indigenous Church to obey the Great Commission by reaching the unreached people groups within their country. Our brothers and sisters among the nations respond with tremendous enthusiasm. We ask them to follow through by providing men and women to serve as engagers, our specialized term for disciple-making church planters among the unreached.

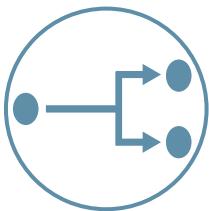
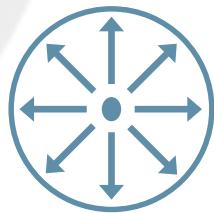


### EQUIP

We train engagers to lead disciple-making movements. They are taught how to identify people receptive to the gospel, share the gospel with them, and train new believers to study the bible in a group. By equipping engagers to train new believers to lead in essential skills early in their discipleship, we prepare them to plant many more churches than otherwise possible.

### DEPLOY

We send engagers with their families to the least reached peoples and places in their home countries. They travel to villages in unreached areas among unreached peoples. They take up residence and begin travelling broadly, planting churches and sharing the gospel. Our in-country leadership teams provide ongoing training to sharpen and enhance their efforts. They provide monthly reports on what God is doing through them among the unreached. We provide varied levels of funding as available for each project.



### MULTIPLY

From top to bottom, we prioritize multiplication. Our engagers plant churches in unreached areas. They train early new believers to lead in the study of the Bible and in the practices of the faith like baptism, the Lord's Supper, prayer, giving, evangelism, etc. The engagers train up leaders quickly so that they may move onward to new areas to continue to do the same. At the same time, they have taught the newly formed church to send the gospel to nearby unreached areas as soon as possible. Likewise, as an organization we seek out opportunities to establish work in new nations. To that end, our first two National Directors have become Regional Directors. Their job is to assist leaders in new nations accomplish this process in their own countries.

# The History of City for the Nations



## Engagement Alliance Launch

Engager Teams funded by City for the Nations' partners at the National Christian Foundation of Kentucky traveled to the most remote people groups in [REDACTED] and successfully planted churches. All 57 groups now contain faithful believers and multiplying churches.

**2017**

## Niger Engagement Alliance Launch

The First City for the Nations Engagers were trained and deployed in Niger. They brought the gospel to Niger's seven unengaged unreached people groups. Today, these seven groups have healthy churches and are playing instrumental roles in reaching the rest of Niger.

**2019**

**2021-2022**

**2021-2023**

## Thailand DMM Training & Vision Casting

City for the Nations sent teams to Thailand to train many Thai churches and missionaries in evangelism and disciple-making. Those teams gave local Thai Christians the skills needed to multiply disciples. Simultaneously they hosted vision summits to gather unity around reaching Thailand's unreached people groups.





### Chad Engagement Project Launch

After years of coalition building and fundraising efforts, we deployed ten teams of indigenous Chadian engagers to ten unreached people groups. These teams would be joined by 10 more teams the next year, reaching 19 people groups in all. Both teams have deployment commitments through 2026.

**2023**

### Saturation - Vision 2027 Launch

City for the Nations now leads an effort to see a healthy church planted in each village in [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] team launched leadership teams and church-planting coaches throughout [REDACTED]. The church-planting coaches both plant churches and train many others to do so as well. Leadership teams oversee this work and provide coordination of efforts among local [REDACTED] churches.

**2024**

### Niger Saturation - One Village One Church Launch

Christian leaders in Niger responded to the success of the Niger Engagement Project with the hope of seeing the gospel spread to every village in Niger. The Niger team began establishing leadership teams throughout the nation and will begin initial saturation projects in 2025.



### Pakistan Regional Survey & Vision Casting

City for the Nations partnered with Joshua Nations and others to start surveying every village in three local areas to pave the way for engagement.



### Thailand Saturation Southern Launch

A partnership with a joint initiative of Thailand's largest denominations enabled City for the Nations to begin training, deploying, and funding teams of engagers to select areas throughout Southern Thailand.

**2024-2025**

### Chad Saturation - Coalition Building

City for the Nations joined a group of ministries surveying Chad's Abeche region. Afterward, we united denominations and church-planting ministries to plan church plants in every village. We secured commitments from three multi-denominational associations and will work to expand this effort across Chad.



# Global Ministry Update

## 2024 GLOBAL MINISTRY IMPACT

|                         |                |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| Hearing                 | <b>137,043</b> |
| New Believers           | <b>4,751</b>   |
| Baptisms                | <b>700</b>     |
| Discovery Bible Studies | <b>944</b>     |
| Churches                | <b>494</b>     |
| Engagers Deployed       | <b>301</b>     |

## 2016-2024 GLOBAL MINISTRY IMPACT

|                         |                |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| Hearing                 | <b>510,078</b> |
| New Believers           | <b>44,385</b>  |
| Baptisms                | <b>7,057</b>   |
| Discovery Bible Studies | <b>1,536</b>   |
| Churches                | <b>2,665</b>   |

As Vice President of Global Ministries, I have the privilege of overseeing our work among established partnerships across the nations. Over the past year, City for the Nations has seen remarkable progress as we pursue the vision of reaching unreached people groups, places, and nations. Our metrics and maps provide a powerful view of the larger picture — showing where movements are taking shape and how far the work is spreading. Yet the most powerful stories lie beyond the data: individual lives being transformed by the Gospel and multiplying into disciple-making movements.

In places where the Good News was once unknown, local leaders are being equipped and empowered, and entire communities are seeing hope take root in tangible ways. These stories of life change — of new believers becoming disciple-makers and churches being planted in previously unreached areas — reflect the very heart of our mission.

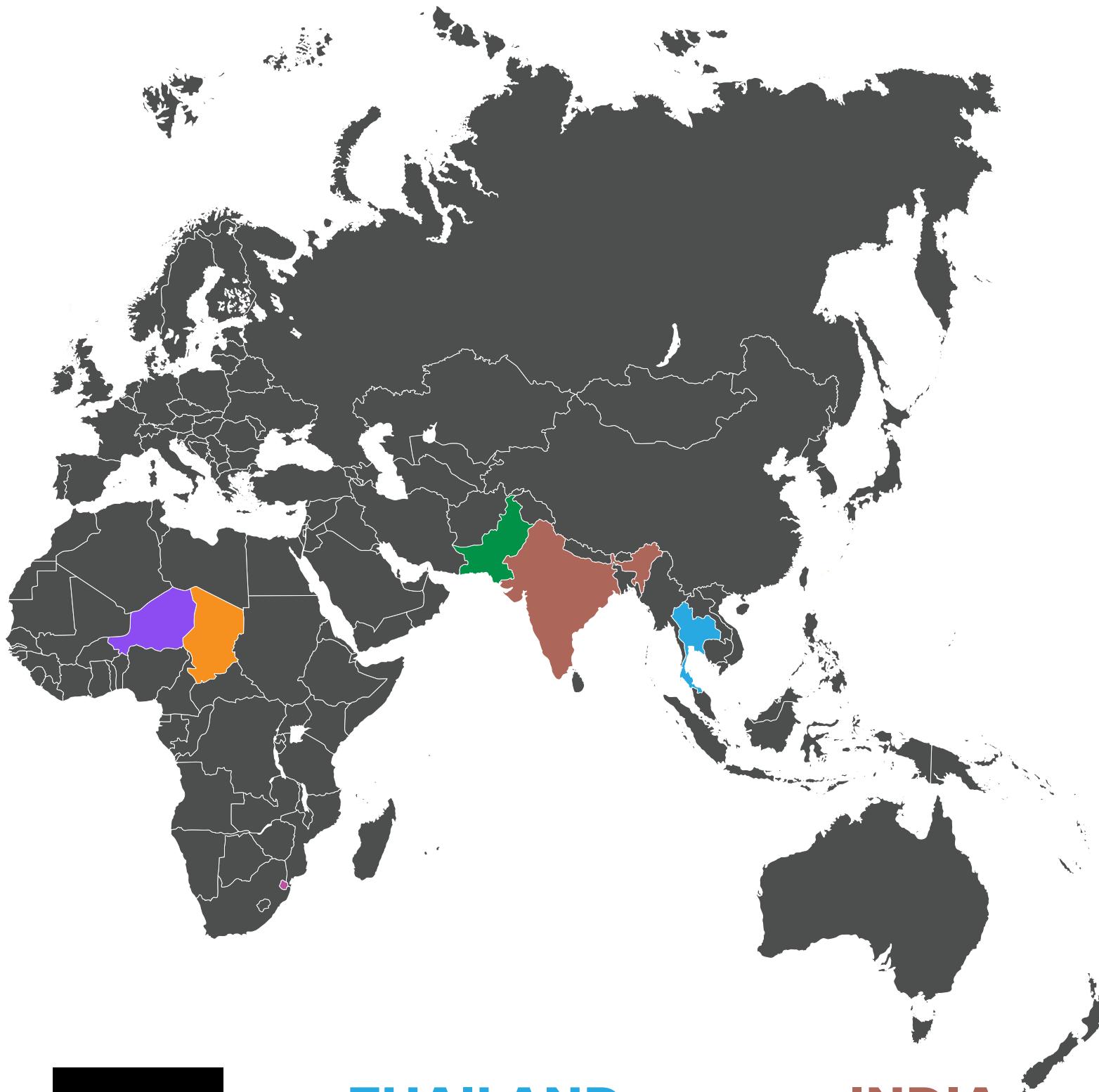
As we look to the future, we remain committed to both the broader vision and the individual lives behind every number. Together, we are seeing unreached nations transformed — one life, one community at a time.

### JAMES ATHERTON

Vice President of Global Ministries



Vice President of Global Ministries with his family: Josh, Cara, Elaine, Victoria, Michele, Faith, and Jonathan



**THAILAND**

**INDIA**

**NIGER**

**CHAD**

**PAKISTAN**

**ESWATINI**



## NATIONAL DIRECTOR TE

Dear friends and partners of City for the Nations!

Greetings from the country of [REDACTED]

It is such a great joy to share what the Lord did in and through us during 2024 in [REDACTED] to reach the least, last, and lost people in the darkness. He used us to bring them the hope of salvation in Jesus Christ. We are eternally thankful for your kind support and prayers to bring the good news of Jesus [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Thank you for all you are doing and giving sacrificially. God bless you richly!

As we started the year, we mostly focused on the pilot seven districts of [REDACTED] then gradually we added more teams [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Having [REDACTED] different teams in our ministry is crucial to achieving what the Lord has entrusted us. Prayer teams have played a vital role, empowering many women associated with our movement as well as engagers. [REDACTED]

We have seen some multiplication start as existing house fellowships have begun to give birth to new house fellowships. We have seen persecution rise but the Lord still increases the number of Discovery Bible Studies and churches. We are thankful for all that. Seeing so many people get the opportunity to hear the gospel and people coming to Christ is glorious.

[REDACTED] I went to different provinces to minister to [REDACTED] along with their spouses, as we wanted them to have healthy marriages. We want these families to reach the unreached as a team.

Last year we had to face some challenges too. Some of our [REDACTED] left after they were sent to the field. Finding the right person to replace them was another challenge. Some of the team members have had to, and still do, fight sickness and other issues in their family and personal lives.

We have been actively involved with [REDACTED] too. We are thankful for the partnership of [REDACTED]

We are entering the year of LOVE among our team to do more for the Kingdom. So we will use love as the chief tool to bring the Kingdom and reach all the unreached villages of [REDACTED]

We love you and we are always thankful for you.

### 2024 [REDACTED] IMPACT

Hearing **115,042**

New Believers **2,025**

Baptisms **540**

Discovery Bible Studies **503**

Churches **331**

Engagers Deployed **215**

Villages Evangelized **5,710**

### CUMULATIVE [REDACTED] IMPACT

2016-2024

Hearing **409,140**

New Believers **14,875**

Baptisms **3,913**

Discovery Bible Studies **503**

Churches **1,981**

Engagers Deployed **215**

# Scattered Seed: THE [REDACTED] FIVE

*Names have been withheld for security reasons.*

About 40 miles from Mt. [REDACTED] sits a small town of only a few thousand residents where God has recently worked in very incredible ways in the lives of five desperate manual laborers.

A mere few weeks before the end of 2024, their situation seemed hopeless. Their friendship was founded upon a bond of mutual misery. All five of the men worked hard hours for about \$10 per day. Those who were married responded to the stress of their poverty by regularly hitting their wives and children. Both their poverty and relational cruelties were exasperated by the abuse of alcohol. Earlier this year, disease began to spread among them, each afflicted by various symptoms that no local doctor seemed able to relieve. Several had to visit the hospital or sought the help of witch doctors, which plunged them even deeper into the throes of poverty. Their circumstances varied, but all lacked peace or contentment in their lives.

When one of our [REDACTED] engagers came across these five friends and began proclaiming the gospel of Jesus, the men were skeptical, bordering on hostile. They told him that they had worshipped many different gods and visited many different witch doctors. For all their efforts, they had received no benefit at all. If anything, their problems had only gotten worse. The engager emphasized hope to them. He too had had a miserable life until he was rescued by Jesus. He told them that Jesus loved them enough to die for them and loved their families as well. The men didn't seem to soften, but the engager himself remained hopeful and visited two more times to preach Christ to them.

The third time, the men left work to follow the engager to his home to ask more questions. The engager began praying for them, and all five men simultaneously received Jesus and began following Him. The deliverance brought by Jesus was immediate and comprehensive. All five were done with the alcohol they had relied on, and God released them from the illnesses that had plagued them for so long. The self-control and satisfaction given to them by the Spirit let them begin to live prudently and start saving money to care for those in need. Most noticeable of all was their new love for their families, to whom they became upright and gentle fathers, husbands, and sons.

These five men, pictured below with two others they have led to faith, have formed the village's first church.





## NIGER NATIONAL DIRECTOR UPDATE

### A Heartfelt Thank You

On behalf of my family and C4N Niger – West Africa, we sincerely thank you for your faithful partnership. Your commitment reflects Jesus’ words in Matthew 6:19-21. Through every challenge, you have stood with us, and without you, we wouldn’t be here. We may not have an award to give you, but God has a reward for you. **THANK YOU!**

The past year brought both trials and victories, testifying to God’s faithfulness. A major milestone in 2024 was establishing decentralized leadership teams across Niger to support the One Village One Church initiative. This initiative represents a long-awaited dream of seeing every village in Niger with a thriving local church. As we celebrate God’s work, we honor your dedication to His call.

### OUR MISSION: ACCOMPLISHING THE GREAT COMMISSION IN NIGER

City for the Nations has partnered with local churches across Africa, recognizing the essential elements of mission: 1) Prayer, 2) Training, and 3) Sending & Support.

### PRAYER

Prayer is the foundation of our mission. Jesus prioritized prayer, and the early Church was birthed in it. Recognizing this, in 2024, we expanded our coalition to include every denomination and numerous organizations such as Cru, Global Disciples, Every Home for Christ, New Covenant Mission, and Capro-Niger. With fully installed leadership teams in every region, we now have better insight into the needs and victories on the field. These teams remain close to the work, covering it in prayer and giving thanks for every step forward. We believe that without prayer, our work cannot flourish, and we are grateful for each of you who lifts up this mission in your prayers.

### TRAINING

Effective training is crucial. Missionaries sent to unreached areas must be well-equipped, and that responsibility starts with their sending churches. Every C4N missionary comes from Niger’s local churches, making maturity and strength essential. Training also

extends to new believers. In 2024, we sent many from newly planted churches to the Maradi Joshua Nations school for in-depth Bible and leadership training. They will return to strengthen churches and lead in their communities. Additionally, this training is vital for ensuring that new churches are self-sustaining, capable of discipling new believers, and prepared to face spiritual opposition.

### SENDING & SUPPORTING

Missionaries and their churches share a vital, reciprocal relationship. Acts 13 demonstrates how the early Church prayed and fasted before sending out Paul and Barnabas. At C4N, we uphold this biblical model, ensuring local churches take ownership of mission work. Thanks to your generosity, Niger’s churches have mobilized in unprecedented ways. In 2024, for the first time, local churches in our coalition not only sent five missionaries but also fully funded them. Your giving has sown a seed of generosity that is now bearing fruit. This growth is a testament to God’s provision and the increasing vision of local churches to take responsibility for reaching the unreached.

### CONCLUSION

By uniting churches and organizations, we can care for missionaries and fulfill the Great Commission. Let us continue to pray, train, send, and support for His Kingdom’s glory. May God bless you!

### MOCTAR SOUMANA

Niger National Director & West Africa Regional Director  
City for the Nations



Niger National Director Moctar Soumana and his family: Joshua, Caleb, Mercy, Esther, and Susan.

# Scattered Seed: ISSUFFU

At 25 years old, Issuffu had all but perfected his practice of Islam. From an early age he had had a strong bent towards spiritual matters. When itinerant teachers of Islam passed through his village in the rural borderlands of Niger and Nigeria, he had always distinguished himself as their star pupil. He proved to be an impressive student with every opportunity he was given and became an excellent reader of the Quran in its original Arabic, a prized skill. As he grew up, he was brought to many conferences led by great scholars of Islamic law and theology, and he often won awards for his reading of the Quran. He married an esteemed woman from a nearby village in Nigeria, and continued to progress in his devotion to Islam, including permitting increasing hostility to animist and Christian non-Muslims.

Early last year, Issuffu began having dreams he could neither explain nor forget. Every night he dreamt of having a conversation with Jesus, whom he knew as a mere prophet of Allah. In these dreams, he heard Jesus often challenge him to examine the life of an old friend of Issuffu's, a Christian living in Niger named Kouree. "Do like Kouree your friend and walk like him. The path he is on is the only way that leads to salvation," he said. After weeks of these dreams, he travelled the significant distance to find Kouree, who had joined himself to the work being done in Niger by Abdou Mali, a City for the Nations engager. It was through long conversations with Abdou Mali that Issuffu came to place his complete trust in Jesus Christ as Savior and God.

He withdrew himself from the ritual prayers and mosques that had defined his life, longing to abandon everything that he might follow Jesus. He began a diligent study of



the Bible and his nearest church. He now began walking up to four miles per day to receive instruction in following Jesus and has become a changed man toward his wife and neighbors of all kinds. Despite the rejection he has received from his people, he has joyfully and peaceably begun to share the gospel of Jesus with others. By God's grace, he has proved a very effective evangelist, leading many to faith. Today he and his wife are at a Bible school.

## 2024 NIGER IMPACT

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Hearing                 | <b>9,425</b> |
| New Believers           | <b>678</b>   |
| Baptisms                | <b>34</b>    |
| Discovery Bible Studies | <b>373</b>   |
| Churches                | <b>39</b>    |
| Engagers Deployed       | <b>8</b>     |
| Jesus Film Showings     | <b>123</b>   |

## CUMULATIVE NIGER IMPACT

2019-2024

|                         |               |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| Hearing                 | <b>73,016</b> |
| New Believers           | <b>21,551</b> |
| Baptisms                | <b>409</b>    |
| Discovery Bible Studies | <b>732</b>    |
| Churches                | <b>137</b>    |



## THAILAND NATIONAL ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE

Greetings! My name is Park.

I am a City for the Nations National Administrator for the nation of Thailand. The year of 2024 was a great and exciting year for us and those partners with whom we have been collaborating. The major religion of people in the nation of Thailand is Buddhism. Christianity is practiced by less than 1% of the entire Thai population. In 2024, we trained people who were willing to evangelize in Thailand, especially among unreached people groups. Our engagement teams are people whose hearts have been burdened spiritually with the goal to bring the gospel to various communities in different locations.

We deployed these engagement teams to several areas in Southern Thailand. It has been a highlight for me to partner with the engagers who are ministers and pastors living throughout the southern provinces of Thailand. They have hearts to give hope and facilitate reconciliation between the lost and the LORD. These engagers have provided the target areas where they would like to follow what God has called and chosen them to do in expanding His Kingdom to the very end. We arranged training sessions for those partners, who came to us from several church organizations, including ministers, pastors, and organization leaders who joined the training event in Surat Thani province around mid-year of 2024.

After the training event, we began to see how disciple-making movement tools affected the ministry in their target areas step by step. After months passed by, we could see the increased use of disciple-making movement tools with the people in the target communities they had been reaching. We are anticipating

a great harvest in the coming year as the engagers become more proficient in utilizing their training. Our local and US leadership has spent time since the training in coaching, calls, and visits to the different teams. We are able to follow up monthly and receive reports of God's work in the harvest, along with real time testimonies and pictures. After some follow up training to make sure all of the concepts were crystal clear, we are seeing good progress in the numbers of people who hear and respond to the Gospel. Therefore, I can tell that the year of 2024 has really laid the foundation for the coming year that the whole nation of Thailand will be able to hear the gospel shortly.

### ASSANAN PARK

Thailand National Administrator  
City for the Nations



Thailand National Administrator Assanan Park.

### 2024 THAILAND IMPACT

\*July-December 2024

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Hearing                 | <b>5,439</b> |
| New Believers           | <b>1,195</b> |
| Baptisms                | <b>46</b>    |
| Discovery Bible Studies | <b>170</b>   |
| Churches                | <b>83</b>    |
| Engagers Deployed*      | <b>38</b>    |

### CUMULATIVE THAILAND IMPACT

2021-2024

|                         |               |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| Hearing                 | <b>18,772</b> |
| New Believers           | <b>6,895</b>  |
| Baptisms                | <b>2,680</b>  |
| Discovery Bible Studies | <b>66</b>     |
| Churches                | <b>483</b>    |

# Scattered Seed: YUPAPAN & LADDAWAN

Yupapan (yellow) and Laddawan (green), are sisters and are serving as our Engagement team in Cha-am District in Phetchaburi Province. They live in Huai Sai Nuae and are reaching the seven villages that make up their subdistrict. The sisters have not always lived in this area, but moved here this past summer to begin a new work in this region that previously had **no** gospel influence. Data shows that in the seven villages there are approximately 4314 people and not one was a believer in Christ prior to the start of their ministry.

At first, the sisters struggled with feelings of isolation and had difficulty starting conversations in their new community. In response to their prayers, God enabled Yupapan to use her skills in sewing to start a small business. This way she was able to meet the needs of those in the neighborhood and both of them began to build relationships.

When a City for the Nations team visited Thailand in November, in addition to offering encouragement and training, they prayed for Yuppapan and Laddawan. God answered those prayers in incredible ways. Today, the sisters lead two discipleship groups, and five new believers have joined God's family already!

This is a powerful testimony to God's faithfulness. As we celebrate this growth, we are reminded of Isaiah 55:11:

*“So shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.”*

(Isaiah 55:11)



## CHAD NATIONAL DIRECTOR UPDATE

We hereby witness the faithfulness of God in sustaining the ministry of City for the Nations in Chad in 2024. His powerful hands let our brave church planters on the field make so many great impacts among the 19 selected people groups during the year 2024.

The training that our engagers received has really served as powerful equipment to achieve what is needed from them as church planters. God is using the knowledge and skills they received to achieve the great purpose of their staying among the targeted unreached people groups. Where human knowledge cannot work, God has proved himself able to solve the various problems they encountered on the ground. Through their ministry to needy people, God saved many sick people, many miraculous healings occurred in so many places where they are working.

I want to provide four examples of God using our engagers to bring the gospel of Jesus to these people groups:

1. Among the Gorane people group, a father brought his child to our engagers to be prayed for by them. He had been itching excruciatingly from a snake spirit. Glory be to God, the boy was instantly healed



Chad National Director Samba Paul.

and the father of the boy gave testimony of the healing to many people and also to the marabout\* of the town. Upon that miracle of healing, many people began to pay attention to the gospel. God touched their hearts. The boy's father, another young man, one woman, and one girl gave their life to Jesus in that week.

2. In Moyto among the Bilala group our church planters had struggled to make an impact for several months, with most villagers dismissing and deriding them. After this long season of discouragement, God led them to pray for several sick people in the span of a week or so. Because of their intervention in these sickness cases, people in town who have spiritual problems related to their sicknesses are calling upon them for help, and they have been sharing the gospel freely with all of them.
3. So many of our engagers are helping in teaching in the primary schools of the villages. For these services they render to the populations they are well accepted by the communities and are able to share the gospel and train disciples. We praise God for the conversion of so many Muslim students in different fields of our work. Now, the problem is how to help accommodate some of them who are severely persecuted by their parents.
4. In so many places, our mission found favor in the sight of heads and the leaders of the places. In so many villages and towns we were given the lands officially to start churches in Majere, Rounga, Kebet Ndam, Kouka, Arab Babalia, Kotoko Maslam, Kwang and other communities. We praise God for that acknowledgement from our adopted communities.

### SAMBA PAUL

Chad National Director  
City for the Nations

\*Marabouts are *itinerant Islamic clerics*

# Scattered Seed: FROM ENGAGEMENT TO SATURATION

The engagement of Chad's unreached people groups began in 2023 with a small cohort of 20 men sent out to ten unreached people groups. This past year, 20 more joined them, but the growth hardly ends there. City for the Nations spent 2024 pursuing cooperation with other ministries to do something unprecedented in Chad. Through our relationship with Cru, we were able

to be party to an attempt to survey the villages of the three districts surrounding the city of Abeche. In very early 2025, Vice President for Global Ministries (green) travelled to Chad to join Samba (dark blue), Shea Rouser with Joshua Nations (blue-white plaid) and several of our engagers at a meeting with our partners to see how these villages could each have a church planted in them.

This is multiplication in action. Our participation in this vast task is only possible because of the prayers and giving that enabled the small initial engagement project in Chad. Abeche is one of the largest cities in Chad, and certainly one of the largest that lies in areas unreached by the gospel. It is a major hub of Chad's trade, culture, and history. The saturation of these districts with the gospel will open up new avenues for gospel expansion throughout the country of Chad.



## 2024 CHAD IMPACT

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Hearing                 | <b>7,137</b> |
| New Believers           | <b>853</b>   |
| Baptisms                | <b>46</b>    |
| Discovery Bible Studies | <b>170</b>   |
| Churches                | <b>41</b>    |
| Engagers Deployed       | <b>40</b>    |

## CUMULATIVE CHAD IMPACT

2022-2024

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Hearing                 | <b>9,150</b> |
| New Believers           | <b>1,064</b> |
| Baptisms                | <b>55</b>    |
| Discovery Bible Studies | <b>235</b>   |
| Churches                | <b>64</b>    |

# Eswatini Deaf

City for the Nations' involvement in Eswatini was through our friendship and occasional collaboration with Comfort for Africa, the ministry of missionaries Mick and Cathy Sander. They work with deaf individuals in the small kingdom of Eswatini. Though we lack formal, programmatic operations there, concern for the uniquely unreached condition of the deaf has lain close to the heart of our ministry since its founding. For years we have provided encouragement to Comfort for Africa, as well as providing guidance on how their efforts could be translated into a gospel movement. We were prayerful about where the partnership could go.

Our relationship with Eswatini and Comfort for Africa changed significantly in 2024. They helped to facilitate an invitation from Matseta School for the Deaf, the only school for the deaf in the country and a critical institution among the deaf there, to allow the only deaf church in Eswatini to come and minister to its students. They were invited to provide weekly programming for the primary school students. However, the transportation costs alone bordered on prohibitive for this small, faithful congregation. Sensing the guidance of the Lord, City for the Nations was able to step in to enable this critical ministry to happen.

God has blessed this small obedience and multiplied its impact significantly. Very quickly, a program for primary school students doubled into two weekly events, one for about 120 deaf primary school students and another

for over 80 deaf high school students. Each week, a deaf pastor travels to the primary and high schools and ministers to these students, presenting stories from the word of God and the gospel.

Other unique opportunities have emerged from this partnership. In November, they were able to present a private showing of a movie by Deaf Missions Studio, titled Jesus. This film portrays the gospel in sign language. This powerful and beautiful portrayal of the gospel of Jesus was shown to the high school students. Recently, this partnership secured permission for a deaf evangelist with the International Mission Board to share the gospel with these students as well.

We look forward to increasing fruitfulness from this project and many more opportunities to help reach the deaf, who globally make up the largest unreached people group.

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impact significantly.*



ABOVE: Deaf students in Eswatini being reached with the gospel through our partnership with Mick and Cathy Sander and Comfort for Africa.



RIGHT: Matseta students receiving the gospel from a deaf evangelist.

# New Nations

## PAKISTAN

Over the past year, City for the Nations has partnered with Joshua Nations to survey three districts in Pakistan and begin pursuing engagement of the unreached people and villages there. This survey, still in progress, will create the first accurate picture of where the gospel needs to go in this area of Pakistan. Executive Director Miles Phelps, Asia Director Dr. Larry Frick, and New Nations Coordinator David Harmon recently took a trip to Pakistan to cement our partnerships there, cast vision with Pakistani leaders for our initiative, and discern what God is doing.

The team saw many impressive things in Pakistan, but perhaps the most striking implications for our continued partnership there came at a small gathering of Christian leaders. City for the Nations had convened the meeting of indigenous Christian leaders in order to share the vision with them. These leaders were entirely ahead of the curve! Within a few hours it became clear to our leaders and others present that the vision meeting needed to transition into an impromptu training session.

Over the course of the survey and our visit to Pakistan, we were pleased to be working with Sarfraz William, who is the Joshua Nations Director of Middle East and South Asia and is a Pakistani Christian. We will be continuing to operate in Pakistan through his influence with the indigenous Pakistani church. Our vision will take the gospel to every village in three southern districts and then expand across the nation.

## INDIA

This year, a unique connection was made between the leadership of City for the Nations and the leader of a school of ministry in India. Josh Pedigo, a longtime supporter and a prior board member, introduced City for the Nations to Pastor Das, Indian-born man who came to faith in adolescence. Das would eventually found a school of ministry in India exclusively for the purpose of sending Indian missionaries to the unreached of India. Das was introduced to us by some key supporters of City for the Nations and it was quickly obvious that he shared a great deal of ideas in common with us. He expressed a keen interest in having his students trained in our disciple-making movement curriculum. In September, he visited our team in Lexington to discuss vision and make initial plans.

After Das met with our team in Lexington, he had several of his school's leaders visit our team in [REDACTED]. Guided around [REDACTED] by [REDACTED] Assistant National Director [REDACTED], they visited new converts and house churches planted by Vision 2027. They also spent time with our [REDACTED] engagers and were attentive and proved open to learning. They then visited a training we were putting on for the last of the engagers to be deployed, and the visiting team threw themselves fully into participating at the training event. Before departing, they expressed curiosity about the possibility of God leading them to adopt this method with the students they train and send.

We are still exploring the potential for partnership with this school in India but are very optimistic that collaborative programs will launch in 2025.



TOP: A surveyor (orange) asks villagers whether a church has been established in the village and about the presence of Christians.

BELOW: David Harmon (far left), Larry Frick (second to the left), Miles Phelps (second to the right), and Sarfraz William (far right) in Pakistan with representatives from Joshua Nations.

BOTTOM: Pastor Das (right) with long-time supporter of City for the Nations Josh Pedigo (middle) and Vice President for Global Ministry James Atherton (left).

# Cities for the Nations

The seed of a deep passion for missions that was planted in Lexington, KY has not only sprouted, but has born new seeds. In three additional cities, teams of people assemble under the banner of City for the Nations to pray for the unreached and to mobilize the Church in their city. Just as City for the Nations hosts seasonal prayer gatherings and mobilizes Lexington, these teams have prioritized energizing the hearts of those around them to see the nations reached with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

## LEXINGTON

City for the Nations was founded in Lexington and maintains deep roots in the believing community there. Its staff and volunteers there have maintained a monthly Global Prayer Night for years in the city. They have also been responsible for bringing the Perspectives on the World Christian Movement course to the city each spring semester since 2015. This year saw a renewal and expansion of their efforts to mobilize the Church in Lexington for the nations. The revival of LINK, a networking group for global missions workers across the city, will permit increased cooperation and aid. This networking group led to seasonal nights of public worship and prayer

for the nations, intended to bring many new individuals into seeking God's heart for the world.

## RICHMOND

In Richmond there has been a great deal of new happenings in 2024. In a first for the entire ministry, a church decided to devote 30 days of focused prayer to reaching Niger, with daily prayer focuses written by City for the Nations staff. Not long after, supporters of City for the Nations joined with Richmond-local and Vice President for Global Ministry James Atherton to participate in a monthly Great Commission Prayer Night. Excitingly, a deaf church plant in Richmond has begun exploring disciple-making movement methods in cooperation with City for the Nations.

## JACKSONVILLE

City for the Nations has long been active in Jacksonville, securing prayer and financial support for the gospel-engagement of Thailand. This year saw unique advances as they secured a broad base of volunteers and made key relationships in Jacksonville that will enable them to provide increasing support for the work of City for

BELOW: A church plant for the deaf in Richmond gather to view Jesus, a film that adapts the gospel into sign language.



LEFT: A gathering of the Richmond monthly night of prayer for the nations.

RIGHT: The Lexington Global Prayer Night ending a time of intercession and worship.



the Nations in Thailand. They have continued prayer gatherings multiple times each month throughout the city to that end as well.

In addition to their work in Jacksonville, New Nations Director Victor Barousse and Jacksonville Administrative Coordinator Audra Powers play a very active role in supervising and supporting the work in Thailand.

## HUNTSVILLE

This has been a breakthrough year for the Huntsville team, who have been busy cultivating a heart for the nations throughout Huntsville. They have been pursuing relationships to help fund the ongoing engagement of Chad while also forming a robust prayer movement. A prayer meeting that began in Prayer Leader Chuck Yungkurth's home changed in 2024. It became a weekly meeting in the heart of Huntsville. This group began by praying for the unreached of Chad and for the engagers who are sent to bring the gospel to them. Their special

access to the frontlines of the mission through City for the Nations let them pray with great specificity and precision. Through relationships with an Indian pastor and the knowledge of Pakistani-American believers, they began adding prayers for the kingdom to advance in India and Pakistan as well. It should be noted that these are the two latest countries in which City for the Nations has begun activities. The efficacy of this group's prayers are a marker of their fervor to bring the unreached before God in intercession.



ABOVE: The Jacksonville team and others pray over Southern Thailand.



BELOW: Local intercessors gathered to pray for Thailand and the unreached around the world in Jacksonville.



ABOVE: Victor Barousse (second to right) and Audra Powers (right) in Thailand leading a team sent to train engagers, consisting of (right to left) Thailand National Administrator Assanan Park, Vice President for Global Ministry James Atherton, Assanan May (Park's wife), and a member of the Jacksonville team.

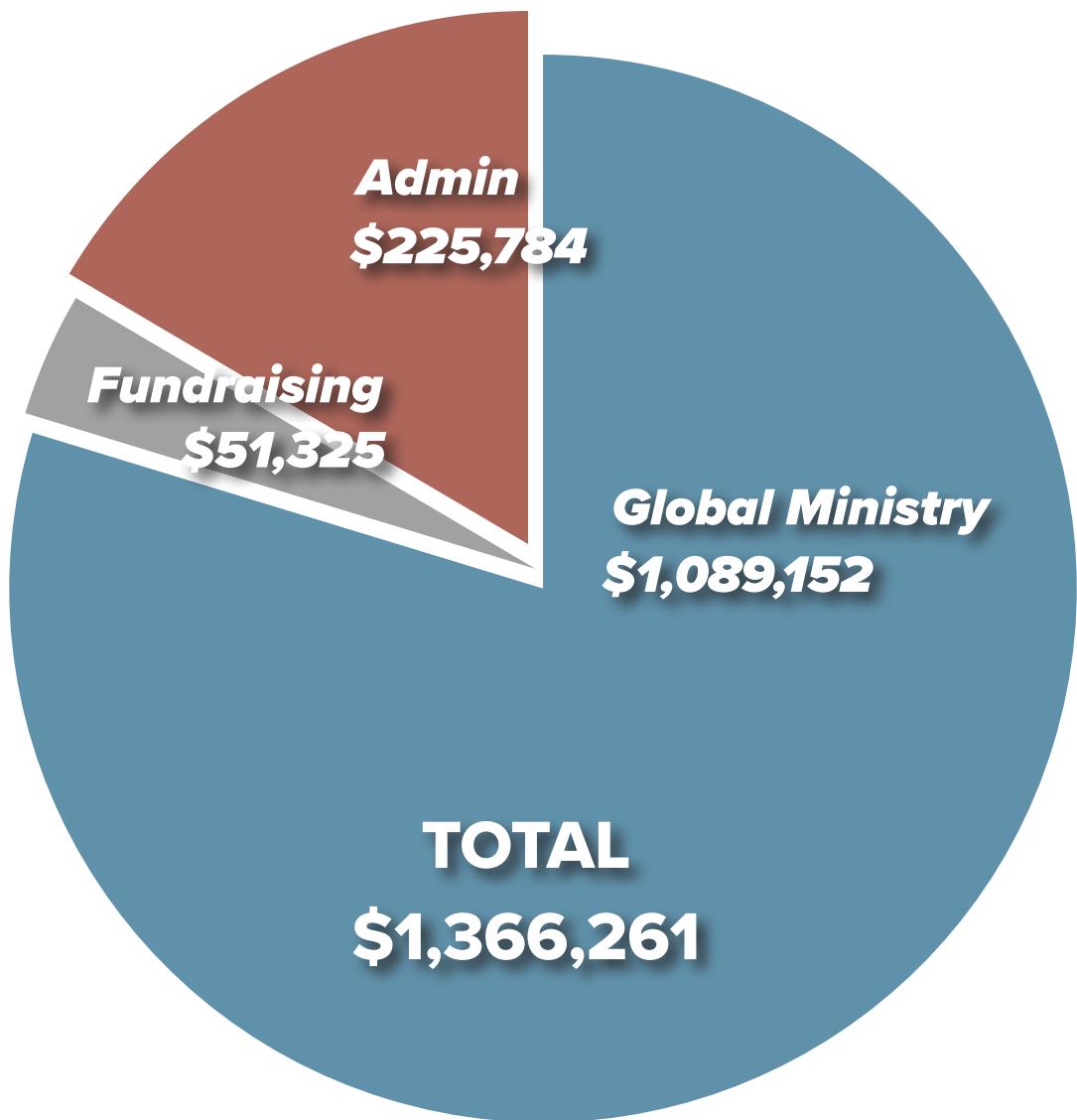


ABOVE: The Jacksonville team at a table at a missions fair in Jacksonville where they shared the vision of City for the Nations.



ABOVE: Chuck Yungkurth shares details about City for the Nations with the Huntsville 10/40 prayer meeting.

# 2024 Financial Snapshot



## 2024 COST PER MILESTONE

|                            |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Individual Hearing         | <b>\$9.97</b>     |
| Individual Coming to Faith | <b>\$287.57</b>   |
| New Discovery Bible Study  | <b>\$1,447.31</b> |
| Church Planted             | <b>\$2,765.71</b> |





engagers pray and worship.



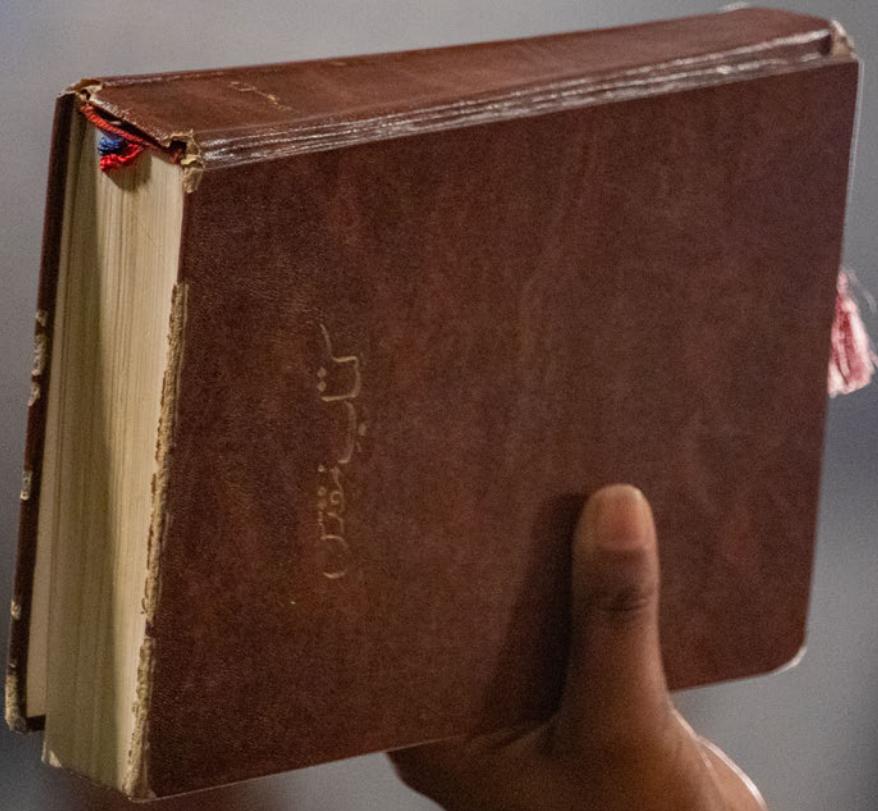
ABOVE LEFT: Thai engagers pray for an elderly villager.

ABOVE RIGHT: Over 100 engagers receive training to take the gospel to every Nigerien Village.

BOTTOM: An engager in Chad attends a training event.



ABOVE: Pakistani believers pray and worship at a large outreach event.  
BELOW: A Pakistani Bible





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