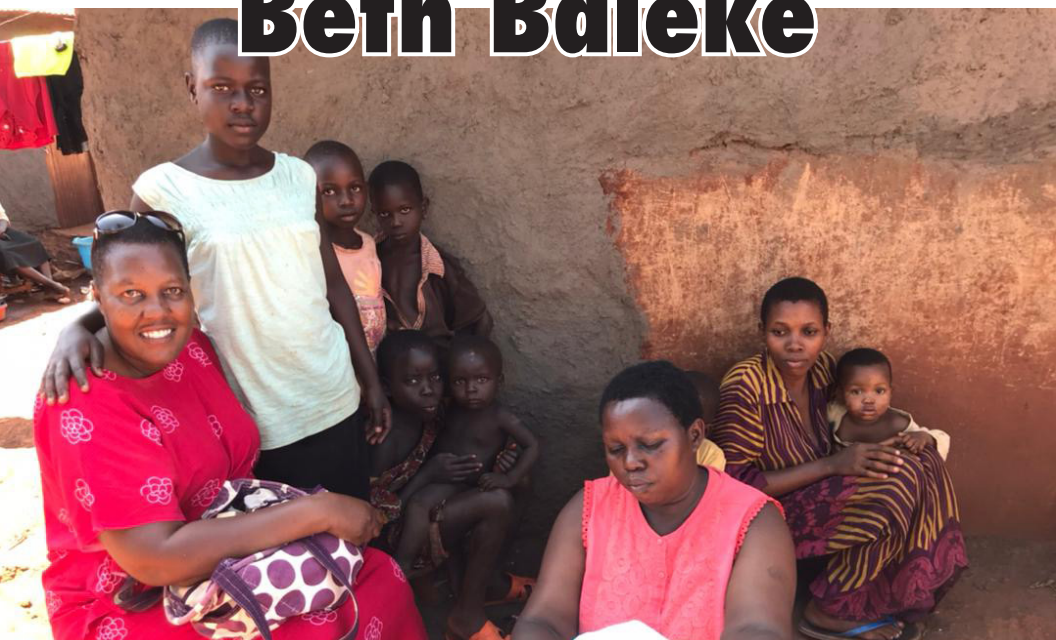
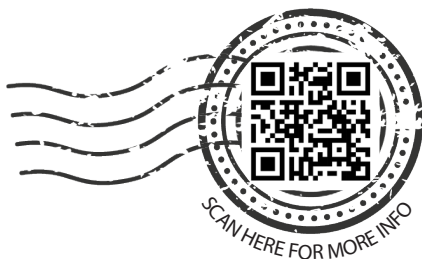


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# Beth Baleke



**Missionary, Leader Development | East Africa**  
**Scripture Union of Uganda | [scriptureunion.global](http://scriptureunion.global)**



## Beth Baleke

Beth has been a WCC missions partner since 2005. In her unique role with SUU, Beth provides leadership, resources and encouragement for SUU programs in Ethiopia, Kenya, South Sudan and Tanzania. Beth has been instrumental in providing services to many South Sudanese refugees in Ugandan displacement camps.

SUU focuses on helping children and youth follow Jesus, because when families are filled with hope, they can be transformed. The organization has a long history of providing schools with practical life-skills curriculum and the resources needed to offer Bible studies and devotionals.

## Please pray:

- *That God would raise up more laborers for His work in East Africa.*
- *For the completion and utilization of the multipurpose building in Koboko (northwestern Uganda) for the South Sudan refugee ministry.*
- *That God would protect and guide Beth as she travels and teaches internationally.*

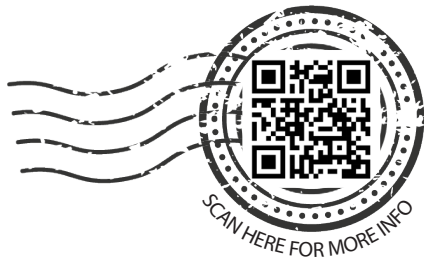
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# Benjamin and Krista Balke Family



**Missionary Debriefers and Oasis Hosts | Grecia, Costa Rica**  
**Life Impact Ministries | [lifeimpact.care](http://lifeimpact.care)**

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## Benjamin and Krista Balke

Throughout the years, Ben and Krista have seen firsthand how important it is for missionaries, pastors and other Christian workers to find time to reflect on God's calling and to consider how their work is affecting their families, their teams and their relationship with God.

Through their work with Life Impact Ministries, an organization that provides places of rest, retreat and renewal (Oasis) for international Christian leaders and workers around the world, the Balkes provide personal coaching and coordinate retreats for Christian workers from around the world at an Oasis in Costa Rica.

## Please pray:

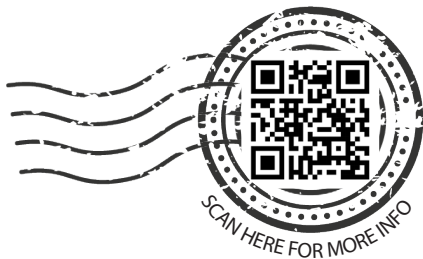
- *For ministry guests, that they will receive rest and new strength and will hear from the Lord during their time in Costa Rica.*
- *For the Balke children, that He who began a good work in them will carry it on to completion.*
- *That God would raise up others who are passionate about pastoral and missionary care to become future ministry partners.*

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# Jason and Shaé Brown



**Founders | Kutoa Project | [kutoaproject.org](http://kutoaproject.org)  
East Africa, Kenya and Nairobi**



## **Jason and Shaé Brown**

Since 2017, Kutoa Project has supported Kenyan youth who have been affected by abuse, homelessness, trafficking, disease or loss by providing healing through Christ-centered services. The organization creates safe places for hope and restoration to take place through faith-filled counseling and outreach services and discipleship.

Jason and Shaé's combined work experience in the fields of social work, youth program implementation and sports, along with their entrepreneurial spirits and business savvy, has allowed them to build an impressive team that provides God's love and hope to young people in challenging situations.

## **Please pray:**

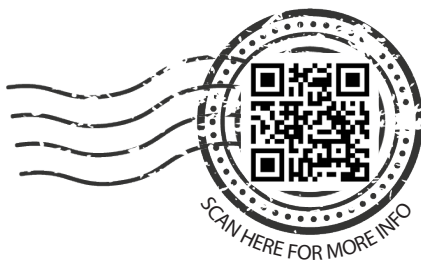
- *That God will continue to provide wisdom as work is done to impact young people ages 18 to 25 who are experiencing difficult situations.*
- *For continued growth of the Healing Group ministry, which provides restoration during times of grief and loss.*
- *For Kenya's continued efforts to bring mental health care into light and for those who need help to seek it.*

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# Dan and Carmen Hale



**Mobilizers and Representatives | Iran**  
**Elam Ministries | [elam.com](http://elam.com)**



## **Dan and Carmen Hale**

Iranians have become increasingly disillusioned with Islam. The political, economic and spiritual situation in Iran has resulted in a deep spiritual hunger for truth. Despite the oppressive Islamic regime, Iranians today are seen as the most open Muslim people to the Gospel in the world.

As part of Elam Ministries—whose vision is that the Iranian people would come to know Christ, follow Him and share their faith with other Muslims—Dan and Carmen, who are based in Texas, equip and encourage Iranian church leaders and provide Christian broadcasting and resources for the church in Iran.

## **Please pray:**

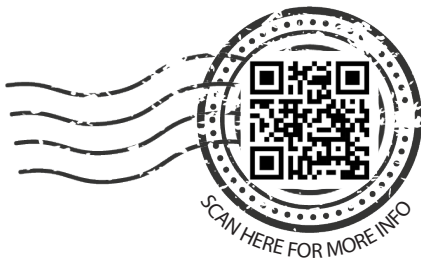
- *That God softens the hearts of the many Iranians turning away from Islam and searching for the true God.*
- *For traveling mercies for the team and that the ministry is fruitful.*
- *That God will further bless Elam's work in Afghanistan. Requests for Bibles has increased tenfold since the Taliban takeover.*

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# International House



**Jacob and Lauren Hiatt | ESL Teachers | Fort Wayne, Ind.  
International House | [ihouse.org](https://ihouse.org)**



## **Jacob and Lauren Hiatt**

Jacob and Lauren Hiatt were stirred by iHouse's mission to welcome internationals and tangibly demonstrate Jesus' love to them while sharing the Gospel. The couple began working with the organization in fall 2022, teaching English to immigrants and refugees settling in Fort Wayne and helping them navigate American culture.

The couple feels blessed to be developing friendships with the people they serve and to be learning about other cultures and values. They also hope others realize the importance of building relationships with internationals and see the potential for missions in their neighborhoods and cities.

## **Please pray:**

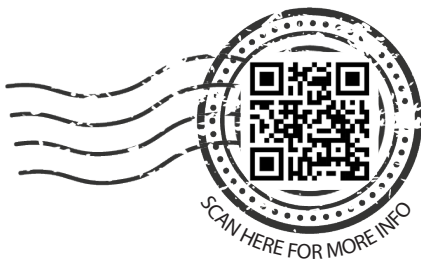
- *That God provides iHouse with faithful, teachable people to join its volunteer team.*
- *For God's discernment for staff and volunteers who are managing the influx of refugees who need help.*
- *For wisdom for the Hiatts and the iHouse volunteers as they engage in spiritual conversations with their international friends.*
- *That the Afghan refugees served at iHouse would experience Jesus' love.*

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# Roger and Kareen Reyes



**Church Planters | El Progreso, Honduras**  
**Humanity and Hope United Foundation | [humanityandhope.org](http://humanityandhope.org)**



## Roger and Kareen Reyes

As the Humanity and Hope United Foundation seeks to make sustainable changes in the villages it serves in Honduras, it has become evident that a Christ-centered church in each village is a critical part of the puzzle.

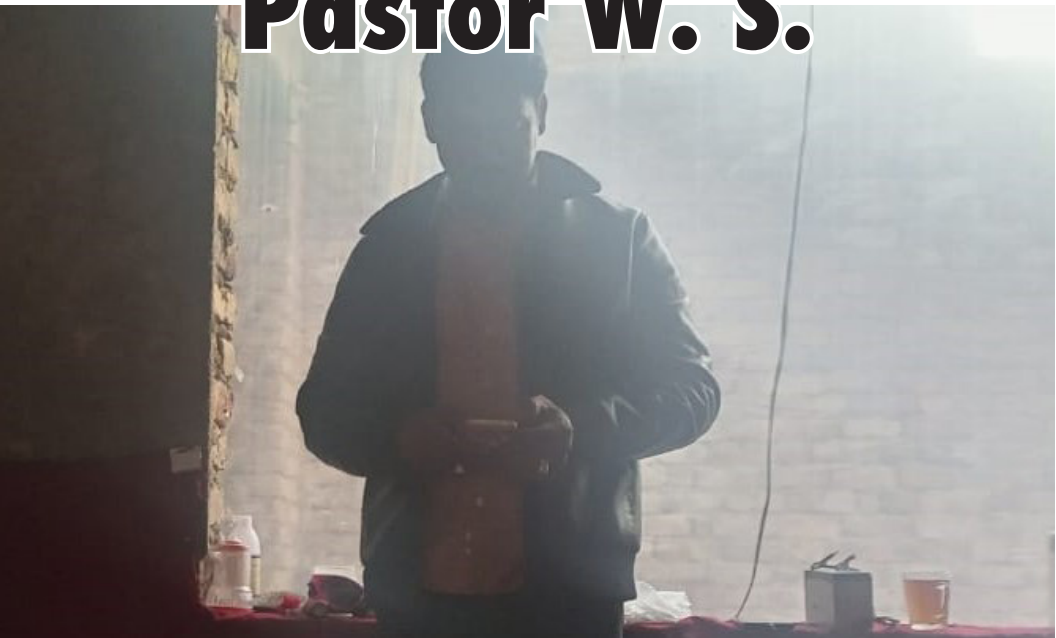
Roger and Kareen Reyes not only grew up in similar villages, they have selflessly taught and preached God's Word in the villages through their work with Humanity and Hope for several years. WCC partners with Roger and Kareen in their church-planting ministry in the villages of La Coroza and Remolino.

## Please pray:

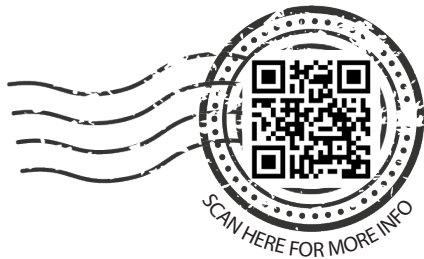
- *That God will continue to bless the ongoing Bible studies.*
- *That God will bless the servants who teach the children in the villages.*
- *That God will bring about the formation of spiritual leaders.*
- *That the Holy Spirit will touch the hearts of families, especially men, and lead them to Christ.*

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# Pastor W. S.



Church Planter | South Asia



## Pastor W. S.

Pastor W.S. is a WCC international church -planting partner in South Asia. He has more 20 years of experience in evangelism and church planting in Islamic cultures and has also ministered to refugees and prisoners.

He recently participated in relief efforts when his region experienced a natural disaster. Pastor W.S. works in a region that is home to six distinct unreached people groups—groups with little to no access to the Gospel.

## Please pray:

- *That God will empower and protect Pastor W.S., his family and team as they share the Gospel in hostile areas.*
- *That God will continue to soften the hearts of local Muslim clerics so they may see the Gospel being lived out and come to faith in Him.*
- *That God will use Pastor W.S.'s faith and courageous teaching to reach the unreached people groups in the neighboring regions and countries.*

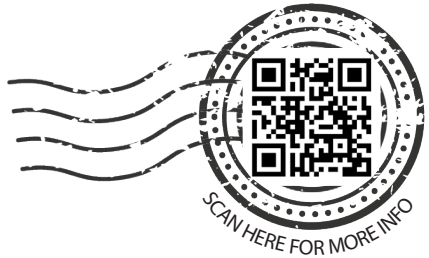
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# Shayne and Leda Shelburne



**Founders | Media 7 International | [media7intl.org](http://media7intl.org)  
Balkans (Albania, Kosovo, Macedonia and Montenegro)**

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## Shayne and Leda Shelburne

Leda Shelburne was following God's call when she founded Media 7 International in 2001, the largest Albanian Christian radio network in the Balkan region. Today, more than 20 years after the fall of communism, the Albanian church is comprised of less than 0.5% of the population in a country that is 70% Muslim.

Media 7 stations offer evangelistic and spiritual growth materials developed by the ministry. Stations sometimes use clandestine methods to deliver the resources because of the threat of persecution.

## Please pray:

- *That God will grow the reach of Christian media in different European countries so more unreached people will hear the Gospel.*
- *That more widows and their families served by the ministry will meet Jesus.*
- *That God will protect the staff and listeners in areas hostile to the Gospel.*

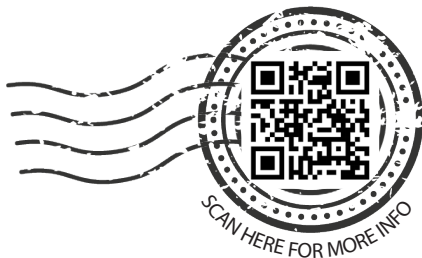
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# Clark and Mary Kay Shepherd



**Founders | Allowing Christ to Shine (ACTS) | [allowingchristtoshine.org](http://allowingchristtoshine.org)  
Lafiteau, Haiti**

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## Clark and Mary Kay Shepherd

When Clark Shepherd was in Haiti in 2010 with World Compassion Network responding to relief efforts from the devastating earthquake, he was shocked at the number of children who had no access to food, education, shelter or the Gospel. Clark returned to Haiti a few years later and learned the situation had not changed, that's when he realized he was the one being called to help.

Clark founded Allowing Christ to Shine (ACTS) to bring much-needed resources, as well as spiritual awareness and comfort, to the children of Haiti.

## Please pray:

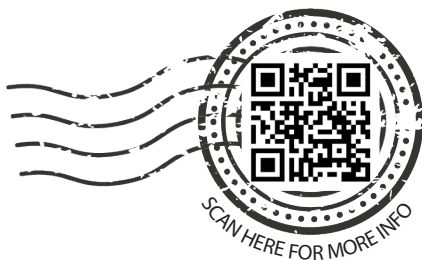
- *That God uses ACTS in mighty ways to share Jesus with Haitian churches and communities.*
- *That the ACTS concert ministry leads the community and all who attend to Jesus.*
- *That food, supplies, books and Bibles are safely delivered to people in need in Haiti.*

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# Dickens Zziwa Ssenyonjo



**National Director | Scripture Union Uganda | [suuganda.org](http://suuganda.org)  
Kampala, Uganda**



## Dickens Zziwa Ssenyonjo

Dickens, who was introduced to Scripture Union Bible Clubs when he was a boy, is now the organization's national director. Dickens serves because he wants to give back. He sees fulfillment of the Great Commission through the fruitfulness and spiritual growth of the Ugandan children and their families.

SUU focuses on helping children and youth follow Jesus, because when families are filled with hope, they can be transformed. The organization has a long history of providing schools with practical life-skills curriculum and the resources needed to offer Bible studies and devotionals.

## Please pray:

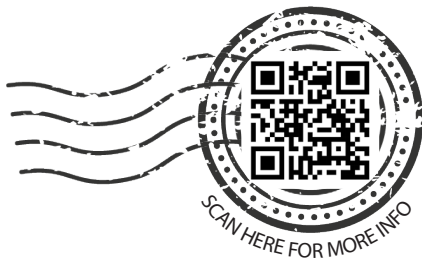
- *That the Biblical Values Curriculum used in Ugandan Schools will bear fruit and spiritual transformation.*
- *That trainees will be influenced and convicted to be honorable servant leaders for God through ministry training.*
- *That the spiritual nurturing programs will continually meet the discipleship needs of new believers.*

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# Summer Zimmer



**Communications Director | Goroka, Papua New Guinea**  
**Ethnos360/New Tribes Mission, Papua New Guinea | [ethnos360.org](http://ethnos360.org)**



## Summer Zimmer

Summer has been an influential part of WCC Missions since 2014. Summer serves as Communications Manager for New Tribes Mission, Papua New Guinea, through Ethnos360, an organization that seeks to establish thriving churches in unreached people groups.

Summer aids NTM/PNG in its efforts to support church planters and workers to help them better communicate with sending churches. She also facilitates ladies' debriefing retreats to guide missionaries in reflection and prayer. Summer also coaches pastors on how they can better care for their missionaries in the field.

## Please pray:

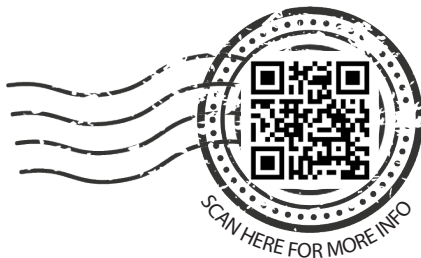
- *That God helps her continue to produce effective communication tools for churches and that the tools bear fruit.*
- *That God uses the ladies' debriefing retreats Summer leads to bring help and healing to church planters and support workers.*
- *That God guides Summer as she coaches stateside missions leaders to grow effective sending churches.*

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# 2nd Mile Missions



**Caleb France, Kirk Burnett, Sue Vercauteren, and Amber Maier**  
Community Development, Church Support and Education | [2ndmilemissions.org](http://2ndmilemissions.org)



## 2nd Mile Missions

2nd Mile Missions provides educational, nutritional, and spiritual enrichment for children living in the Dominican Republic.

The hope is that if children's basic needs are met in a loving, nurturing, and Christ-centered environment, those children will break free from the poverty cycle and become independent and productive adults.

Caleb France, Kirk Burnett, Sue Vercauteren, and Amber Maier are all currently serving with 2nd Mile Missions in the areas of community development, church support, and education.

## Please pray:

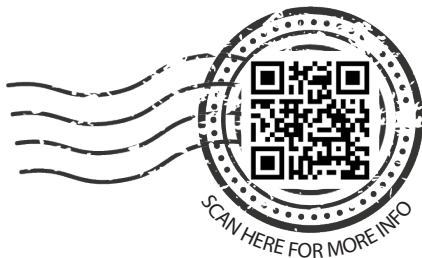
- *That the schools' leaders, teachers, and staff will continue teaching and sharing Christ's love and bring hope to the children and their families.*
- *That God provides wisdom and compassion to the house mothers in House of Hope.*
- *For emotional healing and growing faith for the girls in House of Hope.*
- *For unity for the Dominican Republic and Warsaw, IN, leaders as they seek God's direction.*

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# World Compassion Network



**Sandy Hatcher, Joe Wilkey, Tyler Snow, Josh Grill and Greg Rauen | Honduras and Worldwide Church Support and Disaster Relief | [w-c-n.org](http://w-c-n.org)**



## World Compassion Network

World Compassion Network is a familiar friend to WCC. Many members of the church body get their first taste of international missions by going on a WCN-sponsored trip to Honduras.

Josh Grill, Sandy Hatcher, Greg Rauen, Tyler Snow and Joe Wilkey are currently serving with WCN, responding to natural disasters, such as earthquakes, floods, hurricanes, tornadoes and tsunamis, as well as providing relief in war-torn areas and refugee camps. WCN is currently planting and supporting churches in El Progreso, Honduras.

## Please pray:

- *That God will give the team wisdom as it partners with churches to bring relief to people affected by both natural and man-made disasters in the U.S. and worldwide.*
- *That the Family-2-Family relief boxes will enable numerous churches to join WCN's compassion ministry.*
- *That God will guide the team as it continues to support WCN's pastors and the partner churches in Honduras.*