

GLOBAL IMPACT

“Sharpening God’s Tip of the Spear”

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“How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?” Romans 10:14



We traveled to West Africa this summer and started our sixth Global Church Planters Training Academy. The Church Planters Academy’s mission is to train men and women how to plant churches. Nothing else. Just church planting. We finished the last Academy in Liberia in July where ten recruits trained to be church planters. Also, we thank the Lord that two ladies in the local community came to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior as result of our recruits taking their evangelism training out of the class and into the world. The baptism of the two young ladies and a young man was performed in a lagoon not far from

the Academy. As of this writing, seven new churches have been planted in Liberia by the five graduate teams from the 2021 Academy.

In August we traveled to Ghana to teach a class of eleven recruits, all eager to learn how to plant churches. As it is our normal practice, all of the recruits sleep on mattresses on the concrete floor. No chocolates on the pillow. No bottled water on ice for breaks.



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The war continues in Ukraine. Thousands and even millions of displaced people are seeking to repair their homes or find a suitable place in Ukraine or other countries to rebuild their lives. We still need funds to provide their basic necessities such as food, clothes, blankets, and hygiene products. We also want to send funds to help them rebuild their damaged houses before the hard winter cold begins. Thank you for partnering with us. Together we can make a lasting impact through Ukraine Relief Aid. To donate visit us at bit.ly/MVPUkraineRelief.



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This is our first Academy that is run by an Open Bible Church Ghanaian pastor. We are happy to introduce Kofi Gyansah, who was appointed as the first Director of the Ghana Church Planters Training Academy. Please pray for all our recruits, as we know that church planters are on the front line of the battle, or as we like to tell them; "You are the tip of the spear."



If you'd like to contribute to the Global Church Planters Academy, we need funds to purchase laptops for the teams we train. The costs are around \$2,000 for five teams per academy. We also provide each of the church planting teams a start-up fund of \$1,000. So far this summer, we have provided ten church planting teams start-up funds for a cost of \$10,000.



To learn more about Rich and Patti's ministry or to become a one-time or monthly donor, please visit:

www.bit.ly/MVPkopp

To watch a video visit: <https://vimeo.com/237782530>

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"To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some."

1 Corinthians 9:22

Missionary Birthdays		&	Anniversaries	
October 01 – Rich Kopp 03 – Sarin Mak			December 10 – Sherry Moore	October 16 – Tom & Sherry Moore
November 25 – Lois McCarty				

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