

HERE NEAR FAR

**A 2024 Ministry Update For:
CompassLocal, CompassNational & CompassGlobal**

FAR COMPASS GLOBAL

GOD LOVES THE WHOLE WORLD & HIS CHURCH IS BEAUTIFUL AROUND THE WORLD

AFRICA

CALEB & KRISTA FADER

Burundi | Serge

Caleb is site manager/engineer at Kibuye Hope Hospital, working with national partners, investing in their lives. Krista teaches at their sons' school and volunteers as a nurse.

ELI & BETHANY FADER

Uganda | SIM

Eli leads a theological training program for pastors and leaders in communities/prisons/refugee camps. Bethany homeschools/teaches English literacy, and shares the gospel.

JASON & HEATHER FADER

Burundi | Serge

Jason is a surgeon and oversees the surgery department at Kibuye Hope Hospital. Heather is the principal and teaches at the school for missionary children.

NATHAN & BECKY KENDALL

Senegal | World Venture

Nathan & Becky provide leadership/teaching for a seminary, an academy, and a national church association.

ELAINE SCHERRER

Chad | Wycliffe Bible Translators

Elaine serves as a linguistic consultant for several Indigenous languages in the Guera region. Her focus is on developing dictionaries and writing systems for unwritten languages.

MONTE & KENDRA STRONG

Canada | Africa Inland Mission International (AIM)

Monte oversees vetting/preparing/coordinating field assignments for all Canadian missionaries with AIM. Kendra ministers to a diverse community through Speech Therapy.

MIDDLE EAST

ALAA & TAMARA

Alaa teaches biblical history and archaeology at a Bible college, in addition to partnering with church planting movements with ReachGlobal in their region.

ASIA

TIM & SUSAN DRISCOLL

Japan | OMF

Tim provides vision/care/strategy/accountability to OMF missionaries and pastors. Susan is on the Field Leadership team, helps missionaries and short-term workers.

BRIAN & BEKAH FARBER

Thailand | OMF

Brian oversees leadership development for pastors /church planters. Bekah serves with Third Culture Kid ministry/writes for OMF/works with mobilization/teaches Sunday School.

GILL & KAREN

South Asia

Gill facilitates/supervises church planting partnerships throughout the region. Karen counsels missionaries/ ministry workers around the world.

MIMI

Southeast Asia

Mimi trains local believers in oral Bible storying methods across Southeast Asia.

RAJENDRA

Southeast Asia

Rajendra serves as the head of a church planting network, overseeing training/care for over 20 church planters.

BOB & JEANNETTE SCHROER

Central Asia & Middle East | CRU

Bob & Jeannette lead a team that is responsible for resource development for 700 national workers in 30 countries.

STEVEN & LOUISE

Asia

Steven & Louise help with disciple-making movements among unreached peoples (Hindu, Muslim, Buddhist) by multiplying/encouraging house fellowships and training others.

STEPHEN & YOUNG-LY

Asia | ReachGlobal

Stephen is ReachGlobal's International Leader for Asia. He oversees current workers/forges new partnerships. Young-Ly teaches biblical principles through creative arts.

EUROPE

OLIVIER & KARIN JONKERS

Belgium | ReachGlobal

Olivier & Karin are Belgians planting a church in Nivelles, developing/discipling leaders. Olivier oversees Serve the Church, a summer ministry in Brussels with 20 churches.

KENNO & JANA LEIER

Finland

Kenno & Jana are church planting movement leaders in Finland and work with M4 Europe throughout the continent.

TODD & JANA PATTERSON

Slovakia | ReachGlobal

Todd teaches Old Testament at the seminary in Slovakia and provides theological mentoring/coaching for pastors/ elders. Jana teaches at a local Christian school.

MAX & JENNA SCHAAFSMA

Italy | Cede Sports

Max is a Pastor at Punto Luce in a suburb of Milan. Both are on the leadership team, involved in pastoral care/ worship/youth ministry/outreach.

EVGHENII & IRINA SOLOGUBENCO

Moldova | Kishinev Bible Church (KBC) Ministries

Evghenii is President of Moldova Bible Seminary and teaching Pastor at Kishinev Bible Church. Irina serves in women's ministry, leads the worship team and is the seminary administrative secretary.

STEFFEN & NATA WEIL

Germany | Alliance-Mission/City to City

Steffen is area director for Western Europe. He leads church planting efforts through recruiting/training/coaching/ strategizing. Nata conducts member care/counseling.

PETER WILLIAMS

England | Tyndale House

Dr. Williams is the Principal of Tyndale House at the University of Cambridge, equipping people on six continents to be high level Bible teachers and scholars.

NAT & ANNETTE WINSTON

Belgium

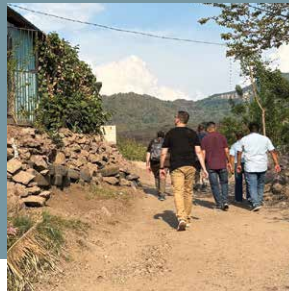
Nat teaches evangelism and discipleship on staff at a multicultural church in Brussels. Annette is involved in teaching/discipleship/counseling.

ASIA PARTNERSHIPS

- 📍 We support over 60 indigenous church planters in Nepal, Bhutan, Vietnam, Philippines, Tibet, and Myanmar.
- 📍 Touch Asia supports 12 teams engaging 170 house church leaders and 1,300 believers in three hard-to-reach regions.

EUROPE PARTNERSHIPS

- 📍 **EUROPE:** We support a church planting movement in over 20 countries called M4.
- 📍 **GERMANY:** We support church planting efforts in the major cities of former East Germany.
- 📍 **BELGIUM:** We support church planting in the cities of Brussels and Nivelles.
- 📍 **MOLDOVA:** We support the work of Kishinev Bible Church (KBC) Ministries.



KATIE TAYLOR

Mexico | Partners in Christ International

Katie teaches at three seminaries in Mexico and California, influencing current/future church leaders. She collaborates/mentors/develops colleagues in local ministries.

GRACIE WALTON

USA | Youth With A Mission (YWAM)

Gracie is a lead trainer providing biblical courses equipping missionaries before they are sent to the field.

DAVE & PAM

To Asia

Dave & Pam oversee/train/develop leaders/mobilize prayer/recruit/provide specialized support for the most unreached peoples of West, Central, and South Asia.

DAVE & REBECCA

To Global

Dave & Rebecca serve as disciple-making movement catalysts with a focus on outreach to least-reached peoples.

JOHN

To Global

John equips leaders globally through mentoring/coaching/training to advance the gospel in various parts of the world.

ADAM & BETHEL GASCHO

To Europe / Greater Europe Mission

Adam & Bethel travel extensively to Europe to bridge new ministry partnerships to national pastors/churches in countries where the gospel is still emerging.

MATT & LAURA PHENEGER

To Global | Ambassadors Football

Matt & Laura provide leadership to advance evangelism through sports ministry internationally.

DIETRICH & JAN SCHINDLER

To Europe | The Evangelical Alliance Mission (TEAM)

Dietrich serves as teacher/conference speaker/writer/consultant for European-wide church planting.

ANN SMITH

To Global | Trauma Free World

Ann trains trainers around the world in Trauma Informed Care/Trauma Competent Caregiving and broadens their training opportunities in their context.

BARRY & DAWN WINCHELL

To Europe & Africa | The Evangelical Alliance Mission (TEAM)

Barry leads/directs/supervises 200 Regional Directors/Ministry Area leaders in 20 countries in Europe, Middle East, and Africa (EMEA).

In some cases, last names have been left out intentionally for security purposes.

NORTH AMERICA

JEANNE AUSTIN

Mexico | Wycliffe Bible Translators

Jeanne is a linguist/translator supervising multiple translation teams/languages. She has completed the New Testament and now assists with two translations of the Old Testament.

RAY & LOIS BADGERO

USA & Canada | Adventure Learning Ministries

Ray & Lois serve First Nations people groups in isolated areas of North-Western Canada and the US through evangelism/discipleship.

JENNIFER BLEVINS

Haiti | ReachGlobal

Jen is the site coordinator for GlobalFingerprints - Haiti, supporting children in poverty. Jen also supports ReachGlobal staff in several Latin American/Caribbean countries.

ANDY & LORNA GILBERT

USA | ReachGlobal

Andy & Lorna assess health/mentor missionaries in the field and debrief when they return. Lorna is on the leadership/teaching team for a training program for EFCA women.

MARK & MEG KUZDAS

Costa Rica | World Outreach Ministries

Mark & Meg share the gospel/disciple new believers in Central America. They serve those in need through food/education/youth activities/counseling/church planting.

SOUTH AMERICA

FELIX & NINOSKA GUTIERREZ

Venezuela

Felix is Pastor of Iglesia Evangélica Libre Montaña de Salvación, which he planted in the Andes Mountains. This growing church serves many communities, and is working to plant more churches.

ALONSO & RACHEL SILVA

Chile | One Collective

Alonso & Rachel mobilize the church and local partners to protect/support children and youth under government protection.

UNITED STATES BASED GLOBAL PARTNERS

ALANNA & ANDREW BROWN

To Global | SEND

Alanna directs Women's Ministry for SEND International. She also cares for US sent missionaries and supports them during home service before they go back to the field.

NORTH AMERICA PARTNERSHIPS

- 📍 **MEXICO:** In partnership with Casas por Cristos, three teams from our church have built four homes in the past two years.
- 📍 **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC:** We have sent two teams in the past two years to an orphan ministry called Kids Alive International.
- 📍 **NICARAGUA:** We are partnered with ORPHANetwork to serve food and hope to hundreds of families through local churches.



MOLDOVA

Moldova is the poorest country in Europe and a neighbor to war-torn Ukraine. The country has 2.5 million people and a faith heritage of nominal Russian Orthodox Christianity and Soviet era atheism.

We have partnered with Kishinev Bible Church (KBC) in the capital city of Chisinau for a decade. Of the few Christians in Moldova, many are first generation believers, establishing new patterns of faith. Evghenii Sologubenco, President of Moldova Bible Seminary and teaching Pastor at Kishinev Bible Church, has visited Compass many times and has preached in our worship services.

Teams from Compass have served in Moldova with kids' urban sports camps, helping run summer Kids Clubs, visiting hundreds of homebound elderly people and serving Ukrainian refugees as they pass through Moldova. We also support Central Asian church planters who are being trained at the seminary in Moldova through KBC. This year, Compass plans to send two more short-term mission teams to further support this vibrant ministry partner.

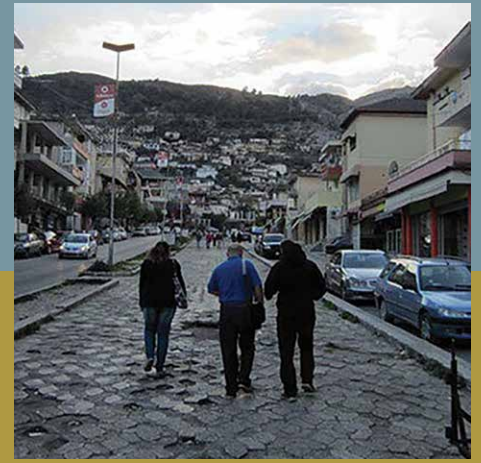


NICARAGUA

Nicaragua is the second poorest country in North America after Haiti. The average household in Nicaragua makes about 3% of what the average household in the United States makes per year. About a third of the people in Nicaragua live below the poverty line, by Nicaraguan standards. There are significant and systemic life essential needs in this country that is only a seven hour plane flight from Chicago.

For almost a decade, we have partnered with ORPHANetwork in Nicaragua. We have been collaborating on a discipleship training program that helps high school aged orphans do short-term mission trips within their own country, to catch a vision for how they can serve and bring change.

Starting this year, we are also going to be partnering with ORPHANetwork on food distribution to hundreds of households in the central mountainous region of Nicaragua. The work is in partnership with local pastors and churches distributing food provided by Feed My Starving Children, a US-based, Christian non-profit with whom we have a longstanding connection. In 2025, Compass plans to send three short-term mission teams to Nicaragua to connect with churches and catalyze this work.



ALBANIA

Albania is the second poorest country in Europe and a neighbor to Balkan countries like Serbia and Greece. The country has 2.8 million people and a faith heritage of Islam and deeply rooted Soviet era atheism. As a result, less than 1% of the country are Christians, even though Albania has been independent since 1991.

We are establishing new partnerships with local pastors and churches in Albania to help with evangelism and discipleship as new fruit grows from this hard ground. Working with national faith leaders in a coastal city called Vlore and the capital city of Tirana, we plan to send three short-term mission teams to Albania in 2025.

HERE COMPASS LOCAL

GOD CALLS HIS CHURCH TO DEEP COMPASSION FOR THE POOR & WE WANT TO ANSWER HIM FOR THE GOOD OF OUR CITIES

Community Impact ministries across all of our locations has been combined into one central initiative called CompassLocal. The goal of CompassLocal is to invite people of our church to Serve in Teams that tangibly demonstrate the love of Jesus. We do this for our **under-resourced, displaced and vulnerable** neighbors, for the good of our cities and the purpose of making us more like Jesus.

SERVING THE UNDER-RESOURCED

Care Center

Our Bolingbrook Campus has been operating a Care Center for under-resourced neighbors in Will County. In partnership with Loaves & Fishes there is a food distribution center, as well as a Compass Clothing Closet ministry. We serve over 200 households a week. This year, we plan to enhance the care experience and serve more people than ever before.

Giftmart

With the generosity of our church family and collaboration of our local elementary schools, Compass Church hosted two Giftmart events in 2023 for both elementary school districts in Naperville (D203 & D204) and select elementary schools in Downers Grove (D58). Collectively, these 36 schools and two Compass Campuses donated over 4,265 toys so that parents could shop for 766 children. In turn, \$4,855 was given back to local schools and the remaining toys were donated to additional Giftmarts in Aurora and Joliet. We are looking to spread more Christmas cheer by adding a third Giftmart at our Wheaton Campus in 2024.

SERVING THE DISPLACED

Refugee Partnerships

In partnership with World Relief, we launched our first Good Neighbor Team. A team of women from our Naperville Campus walked alongside a family of women from Iran for six months to help them get settled in the community. This opportunity has opened the door to six local churches, including Compass, working together with World Relief to identify 25 temporary host homes for refugees being resettled in our surrounding cities.

Prison Ministry

At Sheridan Correctional Center, located 45 minutes west of Plainfield, we empower prisoners to serve as leaders in a church movement in their unique context. We help facilitate weekly worship services and small groups at Sheridan, where over 100 inmates gather weekly to be transformed in Christ. In the past year, 34 men were baptized by Jeff Griffin, our Senior Pastor, in a special worship service. We also partner with a handful of additional prison ministries to equip and send volunteers into DuPage County Jail, Stateville Correctional Center and Northern Reception and Classification Center. Through JUST of DuPage, a team of volunteers record DuPage County inmates reading books that are then sent to their children through the Storybook Program. We continue to look for opportunities to increase our presence in the local jails and prisons.

SERVING THE VULNERABLE

Affirming Life

In partnership with Caring Network and the Evangelical Child and Family Agency (ECFA), all six of our sites participated in an Affirming Life workshop in spring 2024. Following the workshop, Compass participants signed up to serve in various life-affirming roles. All six Campuses collected thousands of diapers and other items that were donated to several local diaper banks. Additionally, our church donated \$25,000 to Caring Network's goal of opening more women's centers in the Chicagoland area for those facing unexpected pregnancies.

Foster & Adoption

The Compass is in its third year of hosting the Replanted Conference and fourth year of hosting a Replanted Group (a support group for foster and adoptive families). Over 1,200 attendees participated in the 2023 conference in-person and via simulcast. Our goal is to add an additional Replanted Group at a second site of our church in the coming year. Additionally, to provide holistic support to families that foster and adopt, our CompassKids ministry trained 40 volunteers in trauma competent care.

COMPASSLOCAL PARTNERS

2nd Chance Ministry
Attune to Grow
Bolingbrook Christian Health Clinic
Caring Network
Christians Against Poverty (CAP)
D200 Lincoln & Lowell Elementary Schools
D203 Naperville Elementary Schools
D204 Naperville Elementary Schools
D58 Indian Trail Elementary School
Evangelical Child & Family Agency

Giftmart
Heart Haven Outreach
Hesed House
JUST of DuPage
Kids Hope USA
Koinonia House
Lifespring Center
Loaves & Fishes
Love Your Neighbor
Naomi's House

Rebuilding Together Aurora
Replanted Ministry
Safe Families
Sheridan Correctional Center
Trauma Free World
Wayside Cross
West Suburban Community Pantry
World Relief



NEAR COMPASS NATIONAL

GOD MADE US PART OF THE BIGGER CHURCH & WE WANT TO HELP BUILD UP THAT CHURCH

DENOMINATIONAL PARTNERSHIP

Our church is part of the Evangelical Free Church of America (EFCA) denomination, a group of about 1,500 like-minded churches that are spread throughout the country. Within that, we are part of the Great Lakes District, a group of 200 EFCA churches in IL, IN and MI.

We have strong relationships with both the national and regional leadership in our denomination and we seek to help other EFCA churches with health and growth. Our church is one of the largest in the denomination and as such we have a unique opportunity to host events and encourage pastors.

In recent years, our church has been the host site for both our denomination's national leadership conference and national theology conference. This fall, we will host our Great Lakes regional conference. Our Senior and Executive Pastor are ongoing in training other Senior and Executive Pastors.

CHICAGOLAND PARTNERSHIPS

Our church is active in building ongoing relationships with top leaders of other churches in Chicagoland, across denominational lines. We are especially active in meeting with Senior Pastors and Executive Pastors of other large churches in Chicagoland (both in the city and suburbs) to unite for the sake of our common cause. We support and are also active with New Thing Network which brings churches together.

CHURCH PARTNERSHIPS

Our church wants to help other churches get started and break barriers. For the past 10 years, we have supported and sent summer teams to The Mission Church in South Jordan, UT; outside Salt Lake City. The church is led by Senior Pastor Ritch Sanford, former Campus Pastor of our South Naperville Campus. We are also connected with other churches in Chicagoland to catalyze church planting in our area.

COLLEGIATE PARTNERSHIPS

We believe deeply in the power of collegiate ministries to impact young adults on college campuses in this vital life stage. We support Joel & Ana Schrader with a special branch of Cru called Bridges International that shares the gospel and disciples international students at the University of Illinois in Champaign, IL. We also support Zach Tran in the same ministry, Joey Bernas with Cru at University of Denver in Denver, CO, and Meagan Gottcent with InterVarsity at Augustana College in Rock Island, IL.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

We are seeking to help identify and support the next generation of church leaders. For the past four years, we have had 42 interns at our church, 14 of them in summer 2024. All 14 college and high school-aged interns were selected based on their interest in exploring ministry as a calling and career. These paid interns each learned a ministry specialty through a Compass staff supervisor, while also being part of a learning cohort with each other to be cross-trained in local church ministry.



To learn more about how you can *pray for* or *participate in* our mission of *Helping People Find & Follow God* through opportunities *Here, Near & Far*, visit thecompass.net.

