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2022 Candidate Training



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One of the highlights of the year for Baptist Missions to Forgotten Peoples is our week of candidate training. Every year, during the month of June, we have a special time when all our new BMFP applicants come to the home office for an intense week of missionary training. Most of our field administrators are present and teaching during the

week. All the BMFP board members come for the Thursday afternoon BMFP board meeting and candidate approval session. As you can see, there are many moving parts that need to come together for this week to be a success. The office staff works along side Brother Matt Quitter, BMFP Pre-Field Administrator, as he handles most of the organization for this week. He spends hours putting materials together, securing lodging, printing the books, and placing the teachers with the subjects that are needed, as well as many other things.

Several churches in the area participated with us in providing the lunches throughout the week. Some brought food and served, others gave offerings to provide for meals. This was a huge blessing and made it possible for us to spend more time fellowshiping and encouraging the candidates throughout the week.

But it is not all about organization and planning. Our desire is that the Spirit of the Lord have His free reign in the lives of our BMFP family. We want our new candidates to catch the spirit and vision of Baptist Missions to Forgotten Peoples. The word "revival" was brought up many times! On Wednesday night we attended a local church. We provided special music, a song leader, and one of our board members as the preacher. Our goal is to be a blessing and an encouragement to this local church. So, we not only teach our new candidates how and what they need to do when they visit a church, but they get to see all of us in action as we minister on that evening.

We are already preparing for next year by praying for 20 new families for the 2023 candidate training week. Will you be a part of next year's special week? If the Lord is leading you into missions, we would love to talk to you about taking the next steps toward God's call on your life!

Missionary Leadership

Is there really such a thing as missionary leadership? Most understand that leadership is broad and dynamic, regardless of the setting. Yet, have you considered that leadership extends far beyond the parameters normally assigned to it? Leadership is not tied to positions of authority. It is the calling of every believer. In fact, every person is a leader and participant in the process of developing future leaders.



Matt Quitter
Pre-Field Administrator

Even the church member that goes out behind the building to smoke a cigarette is leading – misleading – because some impressionable person is watching.

If the great commission is for all of us, and it is, we are all responsible for missionary leadership. With that in mind, how purposefully are you leading? The missionary leader (you and I) has many roles. Think of missionaries visiting your church. It may not be fair that church members are watching every move of every missionary family member, but they are. We should see this as an opportunity and a challenge. As Christians we should make our life an example of Christ and teach our children to follow the Lord in obedience. If we fake it, we will do much damage to the family we lead and the church members we influence.

Ethical leadership is purposeful influence!

When Paul addressed the Ephesians in chapter 4, he was challenging every member of the church. Before he pleaded with them to, "walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called," he prayed that God would strengthen and ground them. He prayed that they would "be filled with all the fulness of God"(3:19). We need to examine ourselves and endeavor to be who we ought to be in Christ.

Anyone can and everyone does influence. The question is to where! It might be hard to accept but being in a position of leadership and not purposefully leading is unethical. Whether leading your family or a ministry, the process is the same and we cannot do it without the Lord's help. If we are to lead successfully, it will be with prayer and preparation! Paul identified the reason for our reflection, preparation, and using of our gifts from above (Eph 4:8).

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by Matt Quitter**

Ephesians 4:12 says, "For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ." We need to ask ourselves why we have been given so many precious promises and gifts. The answer is to lead. Lead to Christ. Lead in ministry. Lead in edifying. We easily see the great commission as a command for all believers to go. Yet, it is also a command to teach "them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." Let's not miss the far more efficacious part of the great commission: Leading them in following Christ!

Is God calling you to take a greater role in the great commission? Why not talk to your pastor, then give us a call and discuss the many ways you could be more involved in leading the next generation?

What Do Mission Boards Do?

We promote missionary programs in local Baptist churches, stimulate missionary interest in Bible colleges, institutes, and universities, challenging people regarding missions and missionary needs. We identify and assist those who will propagate the Gospel of Jesus Christ and establish New Testament Baptist Churches among the forgotten/pocket peoples of the world. We assist in securing their support for the field and act as a channel for funds between churches and their missionaries.

News From the Field

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It is so important for the olympic runner to keep his eye on the finish line - the goal - if he is to win the prize. The same is true for those God has called into ministry. Whether we are talking about evangelists, pastors, teachers, or missionaries, our goal is to "perfect the saints" - restoring that which is broken in their lives and equipping them for more effective service - so that they can join the ministry team and labor together to the edifying of the Body of Christ - the Church. This is our aim and unswerving purpose at Berean International Bible Training Ministries & Institutes.

I had the privilege of teaching a Zoom seminar: Moral Purity for Such a Time as This - Restoring and Maintaining Purity on February 20-21, hosted by New Life Baptist Church in Tacloban City, Leyte, Philippines. God blessed us with very good attendance, an average of 58 pastors and workers each day, including Filipino missionaries in Thailand, Cambodia, and a Thailand Bible Institute. The lively discussion was an indication of their desire and commitment to live a life of purity.

I was also blessed to "MC" for retired pastor Mike Hanscom's Zoom seminar entitled: Putting Together the Puzzle of the Old Testament, on April 4-5, hosted by New Life Baptist Church in Tacloban City. The 45-50 pastors, missionaries, and workers who participated were greatly blessed. Brother Mike is a very gifted Bible teacher, and this lecture series was practical, helping us grasp how each book fits together to present the one overall theme of Redemption Through Christ. We will continue with similar seminars through the summer.

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Greetings from South Korea! Ephesians 2:6-7 says, "And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus." These verses bring great encouragement to my soul. To realize God has raised us up in the resurrected life of Christ and gave us a place to sit with Him in glory. To show how much He loves us through the kindness and grace of Lord Jesus Christ. It makes me sing, "Amazing love, how can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?" It has been a busy time of ministry here in South Korea. As usual, we have some of our faithful people rotating back to the U.S.A. Yet, we have new people visiting and some settling in and getting involved in ministry. Our evangelistic outreach and Gospel saturation of the community is going well. We are thankful our people caught the vision of reaching the lost at any cost (Prov. 29:18)!

*"Give me the love that leads the way, the faith that nothing can dismay, the hope no disappointments tire, the passion that will burn like fire. Let me not sink to be a clod: make me Thy fuel, flame of God."
- Amy Carmichael*

In our last prayer letter, I asked you to pray for Jeremy, Michael, and Joshua. I had the privilege of leading these young men to the Lord. Last month all three followed the Lord in believer's baptism. This is the first family in which God gave me the honor of leading all family members to Christ. Please continue to pray for this dear family. They have requested to be extended in South Korea. Please pray the Lord will allow them to be extended according to His blessed will.

**For Thou Shalt Go To All That
I Shall Send Thee**

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