

# The Stories

GLOBAL SHARING  
2023 YEAR END REPORT



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# With Grateful Hearts

Here we are at the end of 2023 with hearts full of thanks for what God has done around the world through you and Global Sharing. Projects, that last year were just dreams in our partners' hearts, have been fulfilled. For some of our partners, the gospel expanded through a new medium: the internet. Just think...many new followers of Jesus will be celebrating a Savior this Christmas for the first time!

This has not come without cost. Persecution, even beatings and death, gave way to new life, joy and love. In this year end report, we are sharing excerpts of conversations and communications from our partners which express their gratefulness to you and for you. Like a broken record, I've heard so often:

*"We are so grateful for Global Sharing's partnership with our ministry."*

Africa, India, Philippines, Romania, Costa Rica, and Mexico all share one thing in common: heaven is being populated by GS partners through your partnership. All our hearts say, "Thank you, thank you" as the gospel falls upon receptive hearts growing in Him!



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**Ron Smith**  
*President*



# Stories of New Hope



## Discipleship Responds in Africa

We have rejoiced to see the advance of the gospel generationally. A young GS partner, Joseph Mzonda, son of longtime GS partner, Medson Mzonda, recognized hurdles of the gospel for many African men and women who work seven days a week and can't attend a traditional church. "I have brought the church to the people using the internet for online friendship and discipleship times." This past year, Joseph has connected with over 478 people online, developing friendships and introducing them to the Word through Discovery Bible Studies. From another part of Malawi, partner Joseph Chikopa and GS have provided mentorship to Mzonda both through in-person training and a monthly online mentorship, growing together with prayer and encouragement, training, and a deepening friendship. New avenues through a younger generation are reaping everlasting fruit.

## Divine Appointments

Two years after settling into Georgia life and ministry, the bones of a local outreach among the homeless has begun to take shape with a fledgling team of seven. The response in the homeless community has shown God's hand affirming our efforts.

We recently engaged Sean, a talented and temporarily homeless contractor, in an oral DBS about the wise and foolish man building their houses. Two weeks later, he texted us saying, "I just got back to New Jersey and starting anew. The church I went to this morning said, 'He who follows me is wise as a man who builds his house on stone. That saying followed me! Today I gave my life to Jesus Christ for the first time.'

Brian, after a year living in a makeshift house in the forest, responded to our outreach efforts. As our conversations deepened, he shared that he had been to church years ago, and it was a good experience but he'd gotten off the path. The church he named was where I go now! What a divine connection! After a brief investigation, I discovered his brother's name in our church records, and have been reaching out to him too. God's favor is exhibiting itself to our meager efforts!



## A Widow's Faith

Two years ago, a prominent village chief in the Mslm village of Ngokwe, came to life spiritually, when he and his family began following Jesus. Sadly, he was killed by those opposed to the gospel, leaving his wife and baby homeless. The few believers of the area gathered funds to buy her a place to live and GS supplemented the difference needed. Our partner Joseph Chikopa was quick to show us this past year where the gospel was exploding there in Africa... in Ngokwe of course! The widow of Ngokwe has become an outspoken evangelist. She says, *"I would never trade the joy that Jesus has brought me to go back to my previous faith. Never."* Over 3800 others have agreed and joined in her new-found faith!

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## Stories from India

### Santosh & Yojna

"We are so grateful to finally continue discipleship training after we were initially trained by Global Sharing over 10 years ago. We took the little we knew, memorized scriptures with young people, and saw God expand the gospel into a number of villages. Now, after weekly training for six months with GS, we are moving forward in the Tea Fields and finding persons of peace in surrounding countries and regions. We are grateful for the many now following Jesus in new life! We believe without doubt that 2024 is going to be fantastic! Thank you for your prayers, your generous support of the ministry this past year, and for sending Mike and Ron to train us. Thank you also for funds for my housing, allowing me and Yojna to establish a home for our four orphan boys we have taken in."



## Nasir & Gadiya & Baby Adam

"With Covid over at last, Global Sharing was finally able to come and see our work, share with our people and model Discovery Bible Studies for our eight villages. Our people love discovering and learning about God, and they are taking these Discovery Bible Studies to their homes and neighbors. This past year with the addition of baby Adam, we are adjusting as a family. I continue to work among the children and the elderly and the sick, ministering in Jesus name. Thank you so much for your support of the ministry this past year and the privilege to partner together. We look forward to seeing the gospel continue to reach out to other islands in the area without any gospel. Continue to pray for us for protection physically and spiritually as the darkness is indeed so dark! But we bring the Light!"



## Heera & Margaret

"We are so grateful for your financial gifts and the love you displayed for the Manipur Unrest. Through you, we distributed clothing, food including meat, which some had not eaten for months, some cash for the neediest of the needy. The relief camps where many live are difficult to see, but we offered the gifts with love in Jesus' name. I had the joy of preaching the gospel of love to so many. One of the most meaningful moments was helping my own mother who abandoned us as children when we were very young. My wife and our son hadn't seen her for over seven years. Now we are sharing Christ's love. Hallelujah! All this happened and we were able to minister to all these families because of God's grace. Without Global Sharing it wouldn't be possible."



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### Home & Jenny

"We bring greetings to Global Sharing, and are so grateful for your investment in our school years ago which today is 500 students strong. We happily find ourselves partnering with our church planter friends, seeing God's amazing work expand throughout our region. It was a joy for our family to see Ron and Mike this past March and catch up on past events. We will always be grateful to you and how our Lord used you to make a dream come true for the Kingdom through the Alpha Mission School. We look forward to 2024 with many more students and their families being drawn into the Kingdom."

## Stories from Africa

### Joseph & Violet

"Violet and I send you greetings from Malawi. Knowing you are walking alongside us in prayer and providing various support to us continues to bring such joy to us as we work for the harvest. The audio Bibles we got early this year are being put to good use. So many people hear God's word come to life and so many have accepted Jesus as a result of hearing these scriptures. Our training center now has electricity and allows us to continue meetings with light at night. Thank you so much! Our evangelists that received bikes from you are so grateful to be able to travel now in terms of hours and not days! We are all in good health. Our prayers to God are for a school to be able to start up since most of the people we minister to are illiterate. God has placed this burden in our hearts. Please join us in prayer! We are trying to get visas to come see you. Pray hard for this please. It is difficult to get an interview with the US Consulate. Come visit us. We would love to see you and for you to see our dear people!"



## Medson & Margret

### Joseph Mzonda

"Thank you, Global Sharing, for your love for me and my family as we do ministry here in Malawi. After Cyclone Freddie destroyed our house and all our crops, you provided funds to help us replace it. I love doing DBSs with 10 pastors here, and also love reaching out online with DBSs to surrounding areas. Many men work and can't go to church on Sundays and they are hungry for the word of God. Thank you for helping me replace my phone after it shorted out using the battery charger. We praise God for the many baptisms this past year and disciples being made."

"I lift up praise in the name of Jesus, brethren. We are continuing in ministry with our churches, and we have had opportunity to go to Mozambique to do evangelistic outreaches. God kept us safe and His word is being shared. Thank you for helping us during Cyclone Freddie this past year. Many of our congregation were blessed by your financial love gifts to us all. We have used it for our Needy Care Ministry in our area for others to know God's love."

# Stories from Around the Globe

## Aeta Christian Academy & Children's Home

PHILIPPINES

Our school provides free Christian education to the Aeta children in Kindergarten, Elementary and High School. The Aeta children came back from their summer break in September, and there are lots of new faces. Our enrollment now is 120 students! We cannot exceed this number because of lack of teachers and classrooms though the need is great.

The 120 students in the Christian school stay in the Children's Home. The ACH provides free food and shelter for these children. They go back to their villages every weekend and return to us every Monday. Some who are near the school go home in the afternoon after their classes. We have 10 staff in the ACH and volunteers. These volunteers are the parents who come and help in cooking, cleaning, and washing. Thank you, Global Sharing, for your visit of encouragement, training, and repairing our roof and outside wall and your team ministering to all the children both in the Center and in the villages in the mountains.

## Church Planting

Our pastors are focused on sharing the Gospel in the villages where there is no Christian church yet. Our vision is to plant 30 churches by the end of 2025. We now have 22 churches planted in different villages. Lot of opposition from the enemy has surfaced as we attack his territories, but our Lord is faithful in protecting and guiding His servants on the frontlines. Soon, we will dedicate another newly planted church in the village of Baring. Please pray for our pastors in the field!

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# ROMANIA

## Gavi & Elena

"Thank you, Global Sharing, for your regular prayers on our behalf for us as a family and my ministry. Your prayers, we believe, opened up the opportunity to begin 12 months of training for lay church planters in the Pietra Niemt region. We all have agreed to target 80,000 people spread over 80 villages. We were amazed when we met to see their desire to bring the gospel to these villages where currently there is no Christian witness. We look forward to 2024! Also, thank you for your prayers for my health and we together praise God for the good medical report that my lungs are stable! We love you all!"



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# MEXICO

## David & Claudia

"Thank you for your love for our ministry and helping us with the tutoring supplies for the farm workers' children. You have encouraged us in being a mission church with our own people both in Sonora and Oaxaca. Thank you for helping Claudia connect with the doctor in California regarding her health. The Spanish Celebrate Recovery materials are perfect for our people and we are grateful for receiving them. Thank you for your faithful prayer support too."



# The Story by the Numbers

## DISCIPLEMAKING MOVEMENTS & DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY: BAPTISMS IN VILLAGES WORLDWIDE

INDIA: 76 Baptisms  
Santosh 12 New DBS Villages

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Nasir 8 New DBS Villages

MALAWI: 3815 Baptisms  
Chikopa 72 New DBS Villages

MALAWI: 478 Baptisms  
Mzonda 0 New DBS Villages

PHILIPPINES: 90 Baptisms  
4 New DBS Villages

# The Special Gifts

## We Asked and You Gave!

### Electricity Malawi Training Center:

Now training can expand into the evening at the Discipleship Training Center!

### House for Indian GS Partner:

A ministry base established for discipleship training throughout the region among the Tea Plantation Workers.

### Audio Bibles:

A key factor in over 70 Malawian villages establishing Discovery Bible Studies among the Yao People who are oral learners.

### Bicycles for Church Planters:

Allowed for zealous evangelists in Malawi to travel in terms of hours not days.

### Tech Help for Aetas:

Computers, printers, and repairs for To God Be The Glory School and Children's Home in Philippines.

### Political Unrest in India:

Key ministry visits this August and October and financial gifts from GS partners (you!) allowed outreach to family and village people in Manipur.



# Year End Giving Opportunities

You helped Global Sharing see the greatest Kingdom fruit we've ever experienced this past year, and in 2024, we look forward to seeing more people follow Jesus while continuing our exciting Trip, Prayer, and Support opportunities. While working together in our online Disciple-Making Communities, we will be continuing our face-to-face country trips.

Thank you for your response of over \$10,000 to the need in Manipur this summer!

**Would you consider a year-end gift to our General Fund to provide funds as needs arise in real time in 2024?**

## Specific needs our partners have identified for 2024:



Mexico > Food & Tutoring Outreach Migrant Children > \$5000

Romania > Church Planter Training in Pietra Niemta > \$2000

Malawi > Audio Bibles, Bibles & Bicycles > \$8000

Malawi > Online DBS Outreaches & Visits > \$1000

Philippines > Establish Two Village Churches > \$8000

India > Expanding Outreaches into Sikkim, Bhutan, and Kolkata > \$6000

To give to one of the above, simply indicate in the comments on our giving page.

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Thank you for your continued partnership!