

"To engage the One to Reach the Many, multiplying Disciples, Churches, Leaders, and Missionaries".

Fall 2025

October is associated with harvest time and Thanksgiving. For many years, our family lived overseas and we often had to get creative in celebrating Thanksgiving. Some years, we found other Canadians and would band together to do a traditional turkey meal. Although, finding a turkey was often the challenge. Other years, we would look to invite people who had never been to a thanksgiving dinner and let them experience a Canadian tradition. There were seasons when we just didn't manage to fit in a celebration at all. You don't get Thanksgiving Monday off when you work in a foreign country.

The idea of celebrating Thanksgiving is connected to the harvest season. Before modern preservation of food or international shipping, people relied on a healthy harvest in order to get through the long winter season. A thanksgiving meal was an acknowledgement of God's provision. We don't often think of Thanksgiving as a religious holiday but it is a time to pause and thank God, the maker of heaven and earth. Here in Canada, we do have much to thank God for.

Since starting this new role I've been able to look into some of the history of OMS. The founders took seriously the words of Jesus who said, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." (Luke 10:2) OMS has been a great sending organization and I believe there is still a need for workers in the harvest. The work is not done.

It's a startling thought: even in the 21st century, **billions of people have yet to hear the message of Jesus. So, how will they hear?** The answer is simple and profound: **someone has to go.**

OMS Canada is committed to this vision, joining the global team of harvest workers. However, this is more than just a call for missionaries—it's truly a **team effort** that requires every one of us. To see this vision realized and the Good News reach every corner of the earth, we need those who will:

- **Go:** Those who are called to serve on the field.
- **Give:** Those who financially fuel the ministry and the workers.
- **Pray:** Those who intercede daily for open doors and transformed lives.

When we work together, utilizing the unique gifts and talents God has given us, we all get the incredible opportunity to be an active part of what God is doing around the world. **How is God calling you to be part of the team today?**

Blessings,



David Fortune
Executive Director, OMS Canada International

Please note: Some changes are coming!!!

This is the last edition of Outreach Magazine unless...

We are reviewing some of our communication strategies and how we get our good stories out. Beginning in 2026 we will not be mailing out paper copies of the Outreach Magazine **unless you specifically request it**. We will be sending a digital magazine format to all subscribers currently receiving Outreach. And we will be putting out a quarterly Canadian update to our OMS community to keep everyone informed. If you would like to continue receiving a paper copy of Outreach, please write or email to the following address; **mail@omscanada.org or One Mission Society Canada, 200-4145 North Service Road, Burlington ON L7L 6A3**. If we don't hear from you, you'll receive a copy in your email.

Prayer Request

Keep our Canadian workers in your prayers:

- Brother "Jim" - Asia
- P & M - Regional Directors Asia/Pacific Region
- Mark & Livia Nelson - Estonia
- Pavlo and Halyna Lozynsky - currently in Canada
- Cameron Kennedy - Home Ministry Assignment/Recruiting & Mobilization
- Kyle Martin - Canadian National Director for Men for Missions
- Eric Wuest - Asia/Oceania
- Lisa DeGraaf - 4VEH Haiti

OMS Canada Virtual Prayer Meetings

Tuesday mornings at 10:00 am Eastern time and Thursday evenings at 8:30 pm Eastern Time on ZOOM. Get to know other OMS prayer partners and make a difference in our world. Contact us for the link to the ZOOM meetings on mail@omscanada.org.

Praise Report

P & M bring a great report from one of the church planting teams in a closed country. Despite the challenges and pressures they are under, over 600 decisions for Christ have been made in the last nine months. A year ago, there was the possibility of winding down the work but the overwhelming response has encouraged them to continue working. Please hold our church planting teams up in prayer.

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