

MILESTONE CHURCH

# MISSIONS IMPACT 2019





## Dear Milestone Family,

I hope you enjoy this snapshot of some of the things we've accomplished together over the last year. As our church grows, we are able to serve our city, our region, and our world in more and more ways. Whether you are new to Milestone or you've been here since the beginning, I hope you continue to step out by serving those in need and building spiritual family in the process.

I'm excited to see the impact Milestone Church is making through the unique ways that we serve active military and veteran families. We've had tremendous growth in that area, and we are seeing people from all military backgrounds walk in the freedom and health that God has for them. This year, we have added a First Responders appreciation event and are looking forward to see how it develops in the future. In the following pages, you will see the various ways we continue to serve single parents, widows, refugees, and more.

We have local outreach opportunities each month that we would love for you to be a part of. We also have our annual Serve Day in the Spring that you do not want to miss! You continue to blow me away with all of the red Serve Team shirts showing up in every part of our community, serving together, and meeting needs. Last year, we had 120 projects across both campuses with 2,354 of you participating, and we are already making plans to have an even greater reach next year!

We continue to support missions organizations and missionaries all over the world. We have mission trip opportunities each year, both locally, with our refugee community, and internationally. This year, on just one of our teams, 120 Milestone Church missionaries and medical professionals served in different villages along the Amazon River in Peru. They saw God move in a mighty way. They were able to treat 1,253 patients, see 1,237 people come to know Christ, and witness 313 miraculous healings—all while sleeping in hammocks on a cargo boat.

While these stories inspire us, my prayer is that we understand that it's not about doing missions, but living missionally each and every day.

Honored to be your Pastor,  
Pastor Jeff Little



Over the last 12 months, our church has given

**\$1,849,486**  
**TO MISSIONS!**

This includes cash gifts and in-kind donations.

In addition,

**3,594 Milestone Church volunteers served**  
**24,026 hours this year, valued at \$604,254!**

We support local and international missions organizations, missionaries, church plants, and more.

# SERVE DAY

**120 PROJECTS**

**KELLER + MCKINNEY CAMPUSES**

**2,354 VOLUNTEERS**

**9,416 HOURS OF SERVICE**

**\$75,978 IN DONATED SUPPLIES AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

**\$123,653 GIVEN TO MEET NEEDS IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY**

Skilled Projects for Single Moms, Widows, the Elderly, Veterans  
School Projects  
City Code Violations Cleared  
First Responder Meals  
Pregnancy Center Baby Showers  
Home Makeovers  
Homeless Haircuts, Blessing Bags, Home Starter Kits  
Refugee Food Distribution, Home Visits, Children's Festival  
Animal Shelter and Dog Park Outreaches  
Ice Cream Truck Outreach  
\$1 Car Washes

Rise Against Hunger—25,000 Meals to Cambodia  
Local Park and Ball Field Outreaches  
Food Pantry Outreaches  
Ronald McDonald House Meal  
Robotic 3D Hands for Children in War-Torn Countries  
Hospital Visit Bags for HopeKids Families  
Bear Creek Clean Up  
Nursing Home Outreaches  
Blood and Bone Marrow Donation  
Foster Care Family Outreach  
Adopt-a-Block Outreach

## SAVE THE DATE

**SERVE DAY 2020 - SATURDAY, APRIL 25**

There are opportunities for individuals, families, and small groups to serve together in various projects throughout our community.





We hosted four baby showers, in partnership with a local pregnancy center, for women who chose life for their babies. This wasn't just about providing baby gifts, but connecting these ladies to others who can walk alongside them in their journey.



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*This shower was more than I could have hoped for. Because of this, I finally realize that my baby is not a mistake and that God is going to take care of not only my baby, but me as well.*

TERESA

# SINGLE MOMS & WIDOWS

At Milestone Church, we have a God-given burden to take care of single moms and widows. We not only try to meet practical needs, but provide avenues for spiritual growth and financial health. To date, we have given 129 scholarships to Financial Peace University, and we offer \$250 toward an emergency fund if eight out of nine classes are completed. We provide college scholarships to moms going back to school. We also provide Thanksgiving meals and gifts for Mother's Day and Christmas. Children receive scholarships to middle and high school camps, along with backpacks and school supplies as they begin the school year.

Our widows have developed a close-knit community through serving together, small groups, and social activities. We meet many of their needs through our Skilled Projects Team and Milestone Mowing Team. This year they received a hand-delivered Mother's Day gift, Thanksgiving meals, and gifts at Christmas.

Single dads and other families in need were given school supplies and Christmas gifts through our Christmas Compassion initiative.



Brittney is a single mom who joined Financial Peace University (FPU) in a commitment to better handle her finances. During the class, she decided to sell her brand-new car and buy a 2004 SUV. Brittney was able to pay off her remaining debt with the cash left over, but after a year, her heat and a/c stopped working.

With her daughter and the other children in her backseat, Brittney was doing the best she could to make car rides manageable during the winter months. But, in the sweltering Texas heat, she knew summer would be a challenge.

Brittney and her daughter began praying for a car and for a better job offer. They were believing that God would provide...and He did. The very next week Brittney received a call that she had been chosen for the job they had been praying for. A few days later, our Milestone Missions department called Brittney with some more good news—a car had been donated and it was now hers.

Brittney and her daughter got to drive home in a car with working air conditioning and heat!

*"It was very humbling. I take two other single moms' kids to school every morning (it takes a village). I didn't have heat last winter, so it was very cold most mornings taking them. That was manageable. But, having no a/c during the summer would have been a different story. We just knew we wouldn't be able to make it. So, my daughter and I began to pray.*

*When the car was donated, and I had gotten the new job, my daughter and I clearly saw that God was working everything out for us." -Brittney*



# VETERANS & FIRST RESPONDERS

We believe in honoring and serving those who have sacrificed for our country. Each November, we have a Veteran's Day Celebration where we provide a nice meal, an inspiring message, and special gift.

Throughout the year, we offer Reboot, which is a 12-week, faith-based combat trauma healing course. We have Veteran Small Groups and Freedom Groups. In addition, we provide Financial Peace University scholarships and middle and high school camp scholarships for military families.

If you know a Veteran that could benefit from these groups or events, please visit our website at [milestonechurch.com/veterans](http://milestonechurch.com/veterans) for more information on how to get connected.

We hosted a First Responders Appreciation Dinner this fall to honor our police officers, firefighters, and emergency medical service personnel. Pastor Jeff shared an encouraging message, and we had an opportunity to bless the service members and their spouses with a delicious meal and a special gift.

On Serve Day, we delivered large gift baskets to over 40 different stations, reaching almost 300 First Responders.

Each year on Serve Day, we help veteran families in our church and community, like Wes and his family.

“ *As I think of the Serve Day team working on our home, I am reminded of the overwhelming love we felt from the volunteers. Working with Milestone Church volunteers was awesome.*

*Having been members of other church bodies for over 20 years, we were not new to the love of a church family, but the Milestone Church Serve Team showed us the love of God in a very tangible way. This act of love impacted our family in a powerful way.*

WES



# LOCAL MISSIONS

## 2ND SATURDAY SERVE

On the 2nd Saturday of each month, Milestone Church serves those in need in many different ways throughout our local community. There are opportunities for individuals, families, and small groups to serve together.

## NEW NEIGHBORS

We deliver welcome boxes to new families moving into our community each month. As people are relocating to this area from all over the country, our welcome boxes provide a perfect opportunity for them to experience the heart of our church. It's filled with things they'll love!

## SENIORS

Through monthly dinners, multiple projects on Serve Day, and fun events on holidays, we have been faithfully serving the elderly at Evergreen Senior Residences in Keller. We also have various outreach opportunities at nursing homes and the Keller Senior Center throughout the year.

## HOMELESS

Those experiencing homelessness in our community received haircuts, meals, new apartment set-ups, and a neighborhood beautification on Serve Day. We also have a Christmas party providing toys and other gifts for families currently experiencing homelessness.

## REFUGEES

Over the last several years, we have built relationships with refugees from over 30 different countries now residing in Fort Worth. Each month, we have several different serving opportunities, including a children's outreach, discipleship program, and a mobile food pantry. We also take a mission trip to Fort Worth each summer, host a Christmas party, and serve through many different projects on Serve Day. This is a unique opportunity to reach people of many faiths that God has placed in our backyard.

## MOWING TEAM

Our Milestone Mowing Team is an incredible group of men, women, and teenagers who mow lawns for single moms and widows each summer. On Serve Day, we provide lawn service for families in need throughout our community.

## SKILLED PROJECTS

Our Skilled Projects Team consists of a group of men and women with various gifts and talents who complete simple to complex projects for single parents, families in need, veterans, the elderly, and people living with disabilities. This team is responsible for clearing code violations for our city and for many projects on Serve Day.

## CAMPUS PROJECTS

We serve together monthly through various projects on our Keller campus. We trim trees and paint walls to keep Milestone beautiful. As we continue to grow and expand, there are always opportunities to make improvements.

## VEHICLE DONATION

We accept tax-deductible vehicle donations for families in need within our church because reliable vehicles are always in demand.

**327** Outreach Events

**1,500** Meals Provided for Seniors

**1,200** Welcome Boxes Delivered to New Neighbors

**13,180** Bags of Groceries Provided for Refugee Families

**125** Yards Mowed for Single Moms and Widows











# SPECIAL EVENTS

## FIRST RESPONDERS APPRECIATION

We hosted a First Responders Appreciation Dinner this year to honor our local police officers, firefighters, and emergency medical service personnel. We had a great time of celebration with a catered meal, an encouraging message from Pastor Jeff, and a special gift.

## FAIRY TALE BALL

We host an annual Fairy Tale Ball for children who have life-threatening illnesses. We create a magical night just for them, with princes and princesses, dancing, photo opportunities, carriage rides, and a delicious meal. Our prayer each year is that they'll have an unforgettable night and enjoy time with their families.

## CHRISTMAS

Christmas Compassion includes multiple initiatives to provide for families in need each year. Last year, we provided \$346,000 in gifts, given out at Joy, to our single moms and widows. Each senior resident at the local senior center was given a Christmas gift to enjoy. Through our toy and coat drive, we collected over \$22,000 in donated supplies and funds to provide gifts for those experiencing homelessness as well as refugee families in Fort Worth. This year, we'll also have an Adopt-a-Family program throughout the month of November where families can meet the needs of other Milestone Church families and those experiencing a hardship in our community this Christmas.

## VETERAN'S DAY

Each year we host a celebration for active military and veterans in our church and local community. Milestone Church has a very vibrant military community, and last year, we had 250 in attendance. We had a great meal, heard from a couple of our local heroes along with a special message from Pastor Jeff, and then presented each one with a Milestone challenge coin to commemorate the event.

## TEACHER APPRECIATION

Teachers and administrators are highly valued at Milestone Church and we understand the impact that their influence has on our students. Each year, we have a Teacher Appreciation Weekend, and this year, we blessed 407 educators with a special gift and gift card to help them prepare for the upcoming school year.

## BACK TO SCHOOL PARTY

Each year, we host a backpack and school supply drive throughout the month of July and then a back to school party for single parents and other families in need at The Keller Pointe. This year, we were able to provide school supplies and a \$50 gift card for each family, and with over \$14,000 in donated supplies, we had plenty left over to donate to low income schools in our community.

## MOTHER'S DAY

We love our single moms and widows at Milestone Church. This year, we hosted a brunch for our single moms where they received \$18,000 in gifts and prizes, and were able to connect with each other. A meaningful gift was packaged by our members and hand delivered to each of our widows with a visit in their home.

## THANKSGIVING

Generous families provide Thanksgiving meals for single moms and widows in our church. We also host a Thanksgiving brunch at Evergreen Senior Residences and the Keller Senior Center each year.

- 407 Teachers Received a Teacher Appreciation Gift
- 71 Children Received Backpacks & School Supplies
- 47 First Responders & Spouses Attended the Appreciation Dinner
- 225 Children & Parents Attended Fairy Tale Ball
- 250 Veterans & Spouses Attended the Appreciation Lunch
- 75 Single Moms Attended a Mother's Day Brunch
- 50 Mother's Day Gifts Delivered to Widows
- 168 Holiday Meals Provided for Single Moms & Seniors
- 368 Single Moms & Widows Were Given Christmas Gifts
- 568 Toys & 76 Coats Given to Refugee and Homeless Families for Christmas

# CHURCH PLANTS

## MILESTONE CAMPUSES

Our Haslet campus is launching at Christmas 2019! Haslet is one of the fastest growing communities in our area, and we are so excited to serve these families.

## CHURCHES

Milestone Church supports over 50 churches through financial support and/or pastoral coaching. We host an annual Pastor's Roundtable and invite church staff from all over the country to attend and learn through teaching sessions, breakout sessions, and ongoing interaction.

Through our church-planting network, we launched 76 churches in 2018 with 18,788 in attendance and 766 decisions for Christ on launch day alone! So far in 2019, 40 churches have been planted in the U.S. with an additional 18 churches in nine different countries around the globe.

We believe the local church is the hope of the world, and we are committed to providing resources to maximize Kingdom impact both locally and globally.

**40** CHURCHES PLANTED IN THE US  
**18** CHURCHES PLANTED GLOBALLY



# MISSIONARIES

## LEBANON

As the Syrian refugee crisis has reached its eighth year, and with over 6.7 million refugees that have fled to neighboring countries, education continues to be one of the largest needs. Forty percent of Syrian refugee children are not in school, leaving them vulnerable and behind their peers academically and emotionally.

We completed our first school year at an informal learning center located in the middle of a refugee camp near the Syrian border. Over 175 Syrian students were impacted through education and trauma care, and eight Syrian educators were impacted through professional development. These relationships give us opportunities to pray with people and share about Jesus in camps throughout the region. We are excited to share that this summer, we baptized new believers from the Muslim faith who have decided to follow Jesus!

Please pray with us as we will be launching a second school, providing education for more Syrian children, professional development for more Syrian teachers, and access to share the hope of Christ with many more Syrian families. We are so grateful for your partnership as we see God's kingdom come in the Middle East.

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## ISRAEL

Israel is a spectacular country, filled with a rich heritage. We have seen a modern miracle and fulfillment of prophecy as Israel has become its own nation once again. Many Christians are aware of this, but most have not heard of the rise in salvations taking place in Israel today.

In these communities, many people have been closed off to the good news of Jesus, but there is something incredible happening. Through the use of gospel outreach testimonies, discipleship curriculum, and other resources, we are witnessing the Jewish people engaging with the gospel in a whole new way.

We're so thankful for the prayers and financial support we've received from Milestone Church, and we're excited for what God has in store for our family and Israel in the coming years!

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Milestone financially supports several ministries and missionary families in Israel.

Each year our very first check is sent to these ministries.



# 2019 MISSION TRIP RECAP



## FORT WORTH

Each year we take a mission trip to Fort Worth for the refugees that we minister to throughout the year. This focused time allows for deepening relationships, great conversations, and incredible times of outreach and ministry for men, women, and children. Evangelism and connection to the local church is our goal, and this year, the team was honored to lead 18 refugees, from different religious backgrounds, to Christ.



## PERU

Both ministry and medical teams traveled to Peru to work in difficult circumstances along the Amazon River. 120 team members ministered in different villages each day, then traveled and slept in hammocks on a cargo boat at night.

Our ministry team preached and evangelized while our medical and dental team saw patients in each village. It was an incredible trip, with 1,237 documented salvations and 313 witnessed miracles—they truly saw the blind healed and the lame walk! The medical team treated 1,253 patients, and in several villages, saw every patient that presented for treatment, truly a miracle in itself.



## CAMBODIA

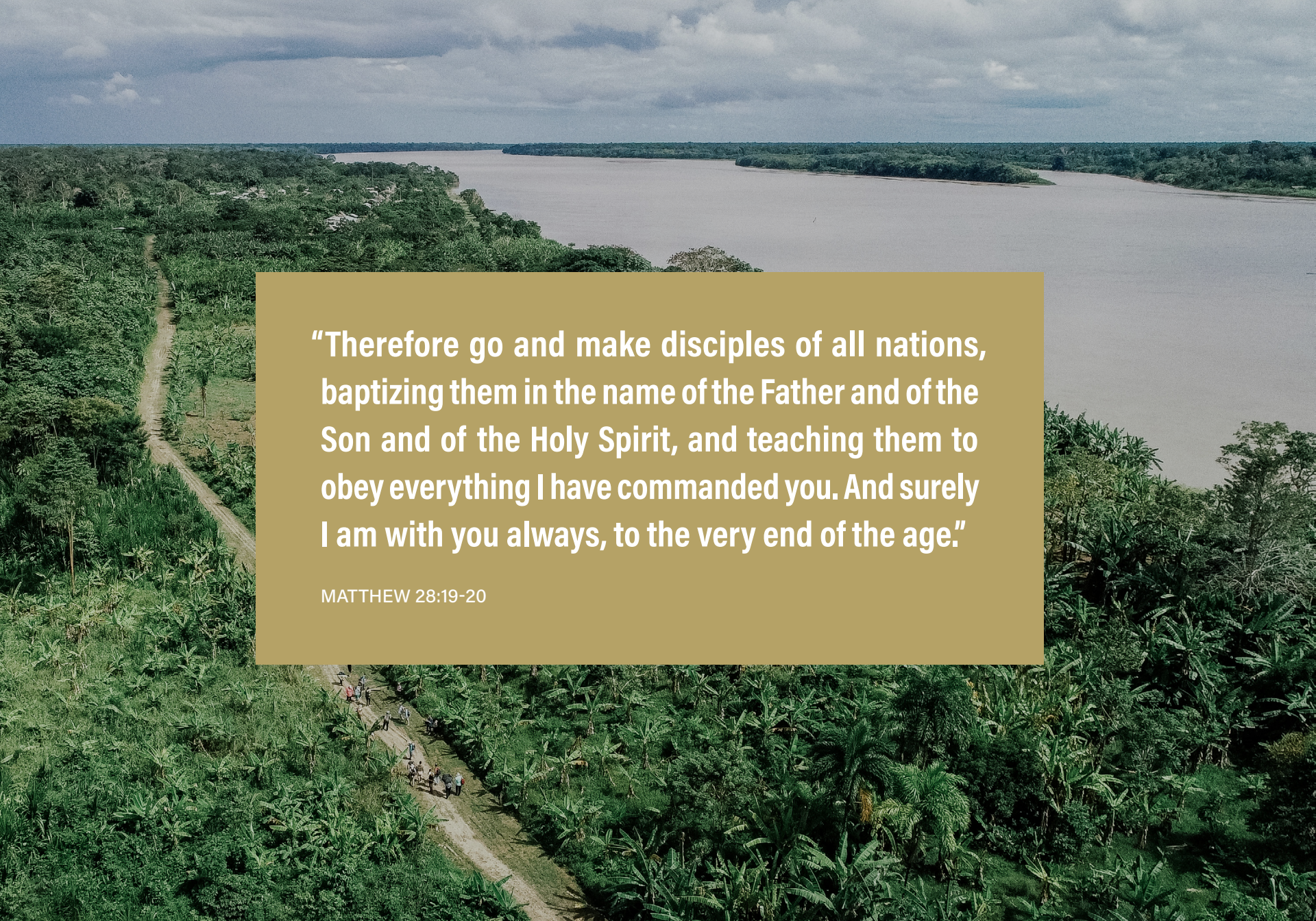
Our Cambodia team had a successful trip that included intercession, evangelism, teaching, leading, and praying over leaders and pastors. They worked alongside a local church, as well as ministries that rescue and restore victims of human trafficking. They saw three salvations, which were radical and encouraging amongst such a strong Buddhist culture.

**147** Missionaries **32** Medical Professionals **1,258** Salvations **1,253** Patients Treated **313** People Received Physical Healing







An aerial photograph of a tropical landscape. A wide, muddy river flows through the center, bordered by dense green vegetation. A dirt road winds through the forest on the left side. In the lower part of the image, a group of people is walking along the dirt road. The sky is overcast with grey clouds.

**“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations,  
baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the  
Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to  
obey everything I have commanded you. And surely  
I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”**

MATTHEW 28:19-20







# 2020 MISSION TRIPS



## KENYA MINISTRY TEAM

May 28 — June 6, 2020

Ages 12+ with parent

We have an ongoing partnership with Open Arms International, a ministry that rescues orphaned and abandoned children in Eldoret, Kenya. We will be doing various ministry and outreach events with children and adults in the Open Arms Village and surrounding community where the needs are great.



## KENYA MEDICAL TEAM

June 7 — 16, 2020

Ages 16+

We will take a team of medical and dental professionals and a prayer team to Eldoret, Kenya. We will be providing much-needed care to impoverished children and adults who otherwise have little to no access to healthcare.



## FORT WORTH REFUGEE TEAM

June 25 — 28, 2020

Ages 8+ with parent / 15+ without parent

In addition to multiple outreach events each month, we also partner with World Relief for an annual mission trip serving refugee families in Fort Worth. We spend four days with refugee families and are able to build relationships and meet tangible needs through men's, women's, and children's outreaches. We also host a large festival with music, food, sports, games, and a gospel presentation. Every year, this trip looks different based on team member's skills, talents, and passions, and the current needs of the refugee community.



## THAILAND MINISTRY TEAM

July 2 — 11, 2020

Ages 15+

This team will be doing classroom and assembly presentations in schools, as well as utilizing digital media to share Christ with children and teenagers in Thailand. Through a partnership with OneHope, our team will present Scripture that is specifically designed to engage with children and youth that is culturally relevant to them.



He said to them, "Go into  
all the world and preach  
the gospel to all creation."

MARK 16:15







For more information, to serve locally,  
or to apply for a mission trip go to  
[milestonechurch.com/missions](https://milestonechurch.com/missions).



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