



# To the Ends of the Earth

## Mission News from Jim and Liisa Tino

**3rd Quarter (Jul - Sept) 2023**

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### Our Mailing Address as of June 1 2023

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Dear James,

### A burden lifted

I've read it before, many times. Preached on it, even. But for some reason, the Spirit of God caused these words from Mark to hit me in a new way: "Whenever you pray, forgive anything you have against anyone. Then your Father in heaven will forgive your failures." (Mk. 11:25, GW translation).

I keep God busy, because I have a lot of failures. I think most of us are pretty aware of our own failures - we probably don't need people to point them out to us (isn't that what marriage is for? JUST KIDDING!!). I need my Father in heaven to forgive me, and daily! And when I pray, I often ask Him for forgiveness. I'm pretty good about that.

What struck me is this: "*Whenever you pray*, forgive anything you have against anyone." Whenever you pray. Every time. Each time I pray, I should be forgiving those people that I have a grudge against. The ones who wronged me. Who hurt me. Yes, those... people.

Practice makes perfect. It will certainly take more than one time for me to really, truly forgive some. I will be so happy when that happens! What a burden will be lifted from my heart! What freedom!

*Whenever you pray.* I started doing that. Will you?

## SHAKEN, NOT STIRRED (well, maybe stirred as well!)

Thank you for praying! Global Lutheran Outreach was invited to present a mission conference to stir the church in Argentina to become a missionary-sending church. In over 100 years of history, the Lutheran Church of Argentina has been slow to send her own sons and daughters as missionaries to other lands. Martin Luther once said, "**There are three conversions: the heart, the mind, and the wallet.**"

The goal of the conference was to change minds (and hearts) about who can be a missionary, how they are sent, and who is responsible for sending them.

The conference - titled "**The Great Commission Convocation**" - **was a huge success!** In June, a capacity crowd of over 200 Lutherans gathered to hear and participate in presentations by Jim, Liisa, Rev. Antonio Schimpff (professor at the Lutheran Seminary in Buenos Aires) and GLO board member, Wondimu Game.

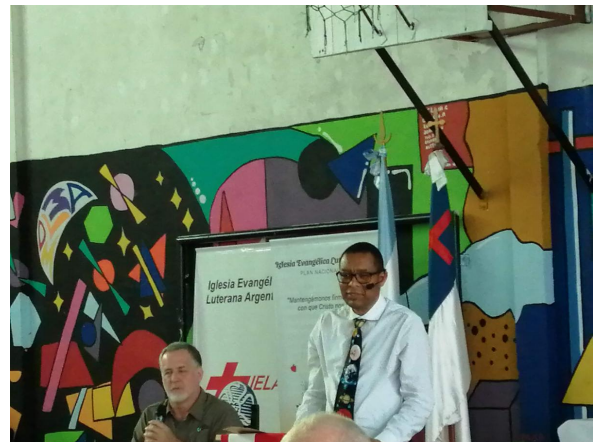
The presentations were informative and inspiring and were well-received by clergy and laymen, men and women, young and old. After 3 days of Bible study, small group discussion, fellowship, and good food (provided by St. Peter Lutheran church in Entre Rios), the **participants said they felt "shaken", "concerned", "awakened", "motivated"**.

Pray for God's direction as He prepares the national Lutheran church of Argentina to become a missionary force in bringing the Gospel to "the ends of the earth"!



ABOVE: Jim speaks to a packed house on the final day of the conference.

BELOW: GLO board member Wondimu Game (from Ethiopia) presents, as Jim translates (at the table).



Following the mission conference, **the GLO board had its yearly in-person meeting in Buenos Aires.** Since some of the board had travelled from Uruguay, Guatemala and Nigeria, it was a convenient opportunity. The seminary graciously offered the use of their facilities and a productive 2 days of work was accomplished. Of course, there was sight-seeing and an Argentine *asado* (BBQ) hosted by Rev. Jose Pfaffenzeller and his wife, Claudia, as well!

## Women in Mission!



Also in June, around 4000 Lutherans (mainly women!) gathered in Milwaukee for the **40<sup>th</sup> LWML Biennial Convention**...GLO was present as an exhibitor! What an awesome experience to meet **so many** women with true hearts for mission and to worship and celebrate the Lord of the Nations together.

Our booth highlighted two opportunities. First, we are actively recruiting people who are called to be **missionary teachers**. GLO has received six requests for native-English speaking teachers! We pray that some will seriously consider answering God's call and say "Here am I. Send me!" If you





know of someone who might be interested in becoming a missionary teacher, please email Jim directly: [director@global.lutheranoutreach.com](mailto:director@global.lutheranoutreach.com).

We also were encouraging people to consider forming a **mission circle** to become more directly connected to and involved with a missionary. A mission circle is a group of people who gather regularly to study the Word and interact with their missionary. Any small group Bible study can be a mission circle! [To learn more about mission circles, click here!](#)

## Liisa's News and Notes

July was a month full of family activities. **Liisa traveled to New Hampshire** to spend time with her mom and to celebrate the blessings of her 80 years of life! We give thanks for Shirley's good health and for all the friends and family that were able to join in fellowship at Christ Lutheran, Troy. There was also time to pick blueberries, to work in mom's yard, to "hang out" with family and to cool off in NH ponds!

While Liisa was in New Hampshire, Jim spent many hours with his siblings tackling the chores of "wrapping up" the family home in **Dearborn, Michigan**. The responsibilities of being the executor of the Tino estate plus teaching an on-line class at the seminary AND directing GLO did not leave him much free time in July!

## Welcome Brooklyn!

Eventually, Jim & Liisa both made their way to Atlanta where **the newest member of the family, Brooklyn Lane Howey, was born to Sonrisa & Tyler Howey on July 27**. We praise the Lord of Life for receiving her through the waters of baptism on August 12. While in Georgia, we were able to spend time with all 6 grandchildren **since Daniel & Gabi Sipp have now moved** to a house just 5 minutes down the road from Soni! Daughter #3, **Nika, also flew in from St. Louis to meet the newest niece**. Hopefully, daughter-in-law Scarlett's visa process will be completed this year so that a true family reunion can happen. **Ben & Scarlett are happily awaiting the arrival of their baby in mid-November.**



## 1200 Students!

In August, Jim travelled to Montevideo, Uruguay to participate in the "mission Foro", a gathering of mission partners who support the ministries of the Lutheran Church in Uruguay. GLO has been a mission partner there for many years. Though it is a very small church body with only one

congregation and 4 missions, they are making a BIG IMPACT in this secular nation through San Pablo school. With over 1200 students, San Pablo is one of the largest Lutheran schools in the world! Guess what they requested of GLO? TEACHERS! Since San Pablo offers bi-lingual education, they need certified English-speaking teachers to teach a number of subjects, including Physics,

Computers, and others.

## Can we stop by for a visit?

We've been doing quite a bit of traveling this year, and we'd love to visit with some of our GLO mission partners – both individuals and congregations. Just drop us an email at [tinoteam@hotmail.com](mailto:tinoteam@hotmail.com) and we'll figure out a great time to visit!

## PRAYERS AND PRAISE

\*We give all **glory to God for an exciting mission conference in Argentina!** Holy Spirit, move in the hearts of your people so that Argentine Lutherans will feel motivated and supported to serve cross-culturally and the Church will be enlivened through mission.

\*We **praise** the Lord of life for **baby Brooklyn** born to Soni & Ty Howey.

\*We ask God to watch over **the unborn babies and their mothers** – specifically **Scarlett (Ben) Tino** in Guatemala, **Violeta** (fiancé of Liisa's brother Luke), and **daughter Gabriela** (pregnant with their 4<sup>th</sup>)!

\*Pray for the Lord to **stir the hearts of teachers** and to call His chosen ones to serve cross-culturally as a teaching missionary.

\*Pray for **the Sipp family** (daughter Gabi, husband Daniel, Kyla, Calvin, and Kaylee) as they adjust to a new school, new church, new friends in Georgia. Pray that God would lead **Daniel** to a new job soon.

\***Thank the Lord** for a successful knee replacement surgery for **Liisa's mother, Shirley Mattson**. Pray for her strength and endurance during recovery.

\*We ask God to **comfort and strengthen Liisa's Aunt Beverly** fighting lung cancer. If it is your will, Lord, heal her of all disease. If not, teach us to trust your goodness and grace.

\***Bless all those returning to school routines.** Help parents and teachers guide young minds in the skills necessary to be loving, respectful and educated members of society. Bless institutions as they search for adequate teachers and strive to stand on the moral standards set forth in God's Word.



## SUPPORT CORNER

### What happened to the support gauge?

*"That was the first thing I looked at,"* commented one of our long-time mission partners.

Part of transitioning to full-time director of Global Lutheran Outreach is to transition our means of support. Looking toward the future, it is unlikely that any successor to the leadership of GLO will be willing to raise their own support. GLO needs to be able to pay a salary. At this time, however, GLO as an organization is not large or mature enough to pay a full salary. GLO

can pay a partial salary, and **our plan is to supplement that through the offerings of our faithful mission partners.** We want to avoid shifting the burden of our support to our other missionaries.

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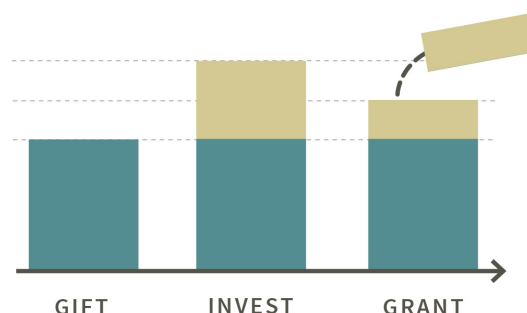
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