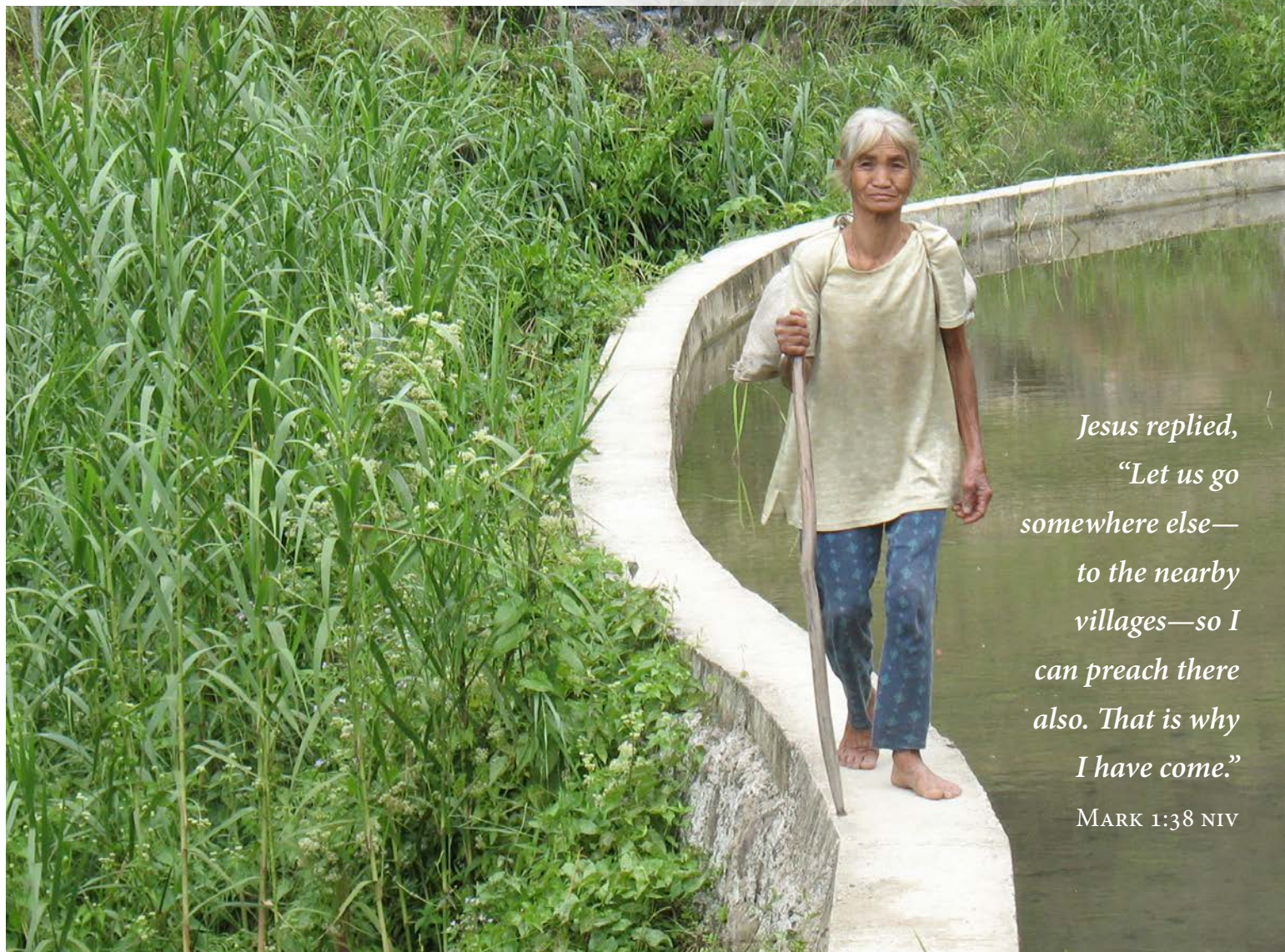


# 2015 Annual Report



*Jesus replied,  
“Let us go  
somewhere else—  
to the nearby  
villages—so I  
can preach there  
also. That is why  
I have come.”*

MARK 1:38 NIV

ARMENIA BELARUS BULGARIA CAMBODIA CHINA GEORGIA INDONESIA LAOS UKRAINE MACEDONIA



REACH A  
VILLAGE

MALAYSIA MYANMAR MOLDOVA SERBIA PHILIPPINES POLAND ROMANIA LITHUANIA RUSSIA THAILAND



*“... there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language ...”*

REVELATION 7:9

## Greetings from the President

Dear Friends in Christ,

As I reflect on what God has done in 2015, I am humbled and amazed. We want to take the time to celebrate what the Lord has done through the efforts of our international ministry partners, who faithfully serve in order to reach the unreached people of the world. We also want to thank you, our faithful donor partners, as the work they do would not be possible without you!

As we endeavor to reach every village for the Lord, we thank God for Rosica, an orphan who learned that God loves and cherishes her. I think of brother Sov, who has seen restoration both in his marriage and of the farmland he had lost. I look at their smiling faces and thank God they have now become part of God's Kingdom. These are just two examples of the over 137,000 testimonies of those who came to faith in Christ this year!

God knows the face and transformation story of every new believer. He is bringing smiles to their faces and joy to their lives as they learn and accept their loving Savior into their hearts. Praise be to God!

Though I may never meet all those being reached, God knows all our faces and rejoices in those coming into the Kingdom! As you read this report, my hope is that you are encouraged too. Through your prayers, support and financial gifts, the world is being transformed!

Serving Christ Together,



Robert Craft  
President and Founder



## Ministry Highlights

**Macedonia** 2015 has been a challenging year for our ministry partners. Tens of thousands of Syrian refugees have poured through the country. Despite already having limited resources, our ministry partners have been faithfully sharing the Word and providing food for the hungry. Due to these extraordinary circumstances, they have gone above and beyond, serving those seeking refuge and sharing the hope of Jesus.

**Myanmar** Thiri had heard of Christ, but had no interest in Him whatsoever. It wasn't until one day when she was lost in a jungle that the course of her life changed. After wandering for days, she prayed in desperation the only prayer she knew, the Lord's Prayer. She soon found her way and returned to her village. After this powerful experience, Thiri met one of our ministry partners, who taught her more about Jesus. She has now given her life to Christ and has joined a local church!

**Armenia** In the village of Vardashat, our partners held their first Christian summer camp. Many of the local residents had never heard a story from the Bible. At the end of the camp, a boy was seen reading Bible stories to his grandfather.

The grandfather was raised during Soviet times, when atheism was the norm. In the past, he would lash out at anyone who would talk about God, but he says, "Now my grandson is teaching me to believe. I am thankful for the chance to have my eyes opened to the truth."

## Kalina

Kalina, a 77-year-old Muslim, found that life did not get any easier as she got older. Her financial situation became strained, so she turned—as she always had—to a god who was not able to answer. She notes, “I was praying... but nothing happened.”



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A Reach A Village ministry partner came to her village. He met with Kalina and several others to share about Jesus. Though Kalina was moved, she declined any Bible study material and left the meetings feeling as spiritually empty as she had been for the past 77 years.

“My neighbor Diana took the booklet,” says Kalina. “She read it and answered the questions, then they gave her more booklets, and she continued to read them. That way she became a Christian and accepted Jesus as her Lord and Savior. But two months after that something very bad happened to Diana. All her hens were killed by an animal.”

For the people of Kalina’s village, hens are both a source of income and food. To lose your hens is to lose the ability to provide for yourself and your family.

“I was greatly impressed by how humbly Diana accepted this misfortune. I knew her to be a very aggressive woman, and I have seen her angry for much smaller things. Not long after that, a relative of hers heard about her troubles and brought her twice as many hens as she had before,” Kalina continues.

It wasn’t until Kalina and her hens suffered the same misfortune that she turned her heart toward the one true God. Diana went to Kalina and told her that God could help, but she needed to repent and accept Jesus as Savior. Kalina was able to speak to and pray with the pastor. Then Diana, who was previously known to be a stingy person, decided to give Kalina half of her hens to help her!

Kalina relates, “I could not believe it. Since then we have become very close friends and we help each other in everything. Our hens multiplied and produce lots of eggs, which we sell. God is always helping us and provides for all our needs.”

For Kalina, life is now full of meaning. She celebrates a God who answers her prayers and is actively working in her life. Kalina and Diana are two women whose lives have been transformed by being reached with the Gospel!

*Praise be to God!*

## Ministry Highlights *continued*

**Philippines** Over 120 new churches were planted through ministry partners involved in the Values Education Ministry taking place in public schools this year! Though the ministry focuses on children, the relationships being built between volunteers and entire families are incredible. Thousands of children and adults came to faith in Christ in remote parts and even in areas with significant Muslim communities.



**Cambodia** We praise God for a small village in Takeo province that has been reached. This village is home to a thriving children’s ministry which has birthed a new church and an orphanage!

Though our partners there are barely out of their teens, God is using them to transform this community for Christ.

Chanlina and her family (pictured) were one of the families reached. One day, Chanlina heard the children’s group and wanted to join in the fun. Since then, she has given her heart to Christ and the entire family goes to the church! Our dedicated partners have also started an orphanage and a small school for about a dozen needy children.

## Ministry Results

Reach A Village endeavors to bring the Gospel to the unreached people of the world, and the way we do it is an extremely effective way to spread the Gospel of Christ. We partner with local Christians whom God has called for ministry. They are the ones who travel hours to bring the Good News, who may face opposition from locals, and may even risk their lives as they share the Gospel. Hearts are open to the Gospel. The powerful movement of the Holy Spirit and the diligence of the local workers is helping to achieve these phenomenal results.

Reaching unreached areas is accomplished through training local Christians in Children's Bible Ministry, Bible Study Ministry, and Local Church Planting. Each trained worker is equipped with Scripture materials, and whole Bibles are

provided to those who have completed a series of Bible studies and become part of a local church. As more come to Christ, it is transforming their communities, and the movement to continue reaching the lost expands further. We are pleased to share our 2015 ministry results below:

Church planting leaders trained:	472
Bible study workers trained:	94,025
Evangelistic contacts:	817,293
New believers:	137,812
Scriptures, New Testaments and Bibles provided:	2,681,320
Churches planted:	2,276

*Most of these in villages that had no existing local church!*

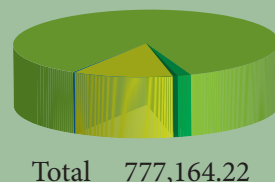
## Financials

Reaching unreached villages requires the body of Christ to work together. The prayers and financial support of partners in North America help to supply the needed materials and training for ministry around the world. Specifically, funds are used to provide Scripture materials (such as Bibles, New Testaments, booklets, and children's materials,) mentor the local Christians who are being trained, and help mobilize them to unreached areas. When the body of Christ comes together, the results are amazing!

In addition to the gifts from our faithful donor partners in the United States, funds for overseas ministry are also generously provided through a partnership with the Bible League of Canada. This combination of international efforts is resulting in lives and entire villages being reached and transformed!

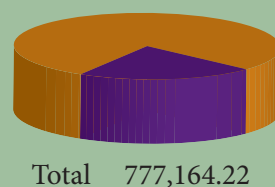
### 2015 Funding Sources

Individuals	\$95,763.77
Foundations	\$4,900.00
Churches	\$13,559.45
International Partners	\$662,441.00
Other	\$500.00



### 2015 Expense Mix

Ministry & Programs	\$605,490.54
General & Administrative	\$171,673.68



Thank you for helping us to achieve these results in 2015! Without partners like you, we would not be able to celebrate these smiling faces of those whose lives have been transformed.



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