

McCoy Memorial Baptist Church

Date: September 18, 2022

Title: "And They Returned Home"

Text: Acts 21:5-6

INTRODUCTION:

The next time you read through the book of Acts, look for the "normal" people — the majority of Christians. Reading Acts you'll quickly realize that relatively few believers planted churches, trained pastors, & were imprisoned for the Gospel.

For those of us who aren't called to be missionaries but are instead called to "return home" after sending them on their way, I suggest the following lessons.

Most Christians Aren't Missionaries,
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The Lord calls most of us to "return home." Back home,
He calls us to be faithful church members that deeply admire
and wholeheartedly support missionaries.

"Let the Gospel's advance on the frontlines, drive your
oh-so-normal life at home." - Joe Tyrpak
(Assistant Pastor at Tri-County Bible Church in Madison, Ohio)

That brings me now to our . . .

FAITH PROMISE MISSIONARY CONFERENCE – 2022

1. THIS YEAR . . .

Theme: "Outward Bound with an Upward Hope" (2 Cor. 5:20)

Start: Sunday, October 2 | **End:** Sunday, October 23 with the presentation of our Faith Promise Cards and a Celebration Dinner.

2. SCHEDULE:

Sunday, October 2nd (at 9:30 and 11:00)

- John-Mark and Sarah Sheppard - SIM International

Saturday, October 8th - **MEN'S MISSIONS BREAKFAST**

- Speaker: David Russell, President & CEO of SonSet Solutions.

Sunday, October 9th (at 9:30 and 11:00)

- Frank & Tammy Roe - Crossworld Canada

Saturday, October 15th, at 9:00 a.m. - **LADIES TEA**

- Speaker: Kim Halsey - Crossworld (Liberty University)

Sunday, October 16th (at 9:30 and 11:00)

- Paul and Kim Halsey - Crossworld (Liberty University)

Sunday, October 23rd (at 9:30 and 11:00)

- Tim Yazel: "Partnership Representative" for SonSet Solutions.

Sunday, October 23rd (at 5:00 p.m.) - **CELEBRATION SUPPER**

- Our final event: A "Celebration Supper" in our MPR.

Children's Church – Missions Emphasis

Kubanka Kids - Stories from the Ukraine (ABWE Resource)

3. WHY BOTHER?

From Chapter One of Serving as Senders (c. 2015), by Paul Seger.

There are billions of people who will spend eternity in _____ without the grace-giving message of the Gospel.

Simply because the _____ from our Commander-in-Chief are clear.

True faith in the _____ of _____ leave no other option than to declare them (John 14:6).

It's the epitome of _____ to be spiritually full when others are hungry. The gospel is readily available in the U.S. like nowhere else in the world.

The mission's enterprise is the _____ important endeavor on planet earth. Do you believe that?