



THE CARTER FAMILY

MISSIONARIES WITH CORE MISSIONS

PARTNERING WITH **FOREIGN** MISSIONARIES

SUPPORTING **NATIONAL** PASTORS

REACHING **REMOTE** VILLAGES

WHO WE ARE:

We are Tim and Lauren Carter, volunteers at CORE Missions who desire to transition to full-time ministry with CORE. Our goal is to strategically partner with church-planting missionaries in third-world countries to train, equip, and assist national pastors to plant Gospel-preaching churches in remote places.

During the past 10 years, we started and ran a business as I also served as a bi-vocational Youth Pastor. During this time, the Lord burdened our hearts concerning missions. In 2016 and 2019, we hosted two overseas missions trips for our church in Texas. As our burden and desire grew, we volunteered for various roles within CORE. God used these events and opportunities to confirm our call to full-time missions work. In 2019, we answered that call and stepped out by faith, selling our business and moving to CORE headquarters in Georgia.

Since we desire to fulfill God's call on our lives, we are seeking churches and individuals to partner with us in prayer and financial support. As we pray for God to guide us to the right partners, we ask you to prayerfully consider making us a part of your missions program. We would consider it an honor to fulfill the Great Commission with you.

OUR MISSIONS PHILOSOPHY

The New Testament pattern validates the planting of churches through the work of training local leaders who will faithfully reproduce themselves.



II Timothy 2:2

“And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.”

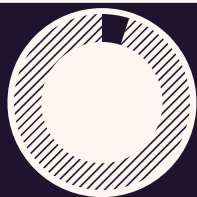
From this verse of Scripture we draw our pattern for church planting. In this one verse of Scripture, we find four examples of spiritual leaders taking their faith and passing it on to the next generation. Just as Paul invested and trained Timothy, he is also instructing him to pass those same truths of God on to faithful men, so they can teach and train more leaders.

The adjective “indigenous” [from the Latin word *indigena* = native] denotes a

person or thing that originates or is identified with a specific geographic location, people group, or culture.

There is still a great need for American missionaries to go to unevangelized parts of the world. Once a church planting movement has begun, we must do all we can to pass the baton to local, indigenous pastors and leaders.

We seek to work with missionaries of like faith, indigenous congregations, and pastors. Our goal is to help them evangelize, disciple, and establish churches among their own people.



95%

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NO THEOLOGICAL TRAINING

95% of pastors worldwide have had no theological training. Without being rooted and grounded in the truth of the Gospel and Scripture it is easy for pastors to be pulled away into false doctrine.*



81%

81%
OF ALL UNBELIEVERS

81% of all non-Christians globally do not personally know a Christian. Most of the non-Christian world is isolated from the Christian world.*

WHY CORE MISSIONS?

CORE Missions is a mission board for national pastors. By partnering with foreign missionaries, and supporting national pastors, we help reach remote villages with the Gospel of Christ. When a partnership is established with a foreign missionary, that missionary recommends national pastors in his region to CORE for representation. He also recommends the monthly support amount and the time frame over which this support is needed. CORE's goal is to support these national pastors in full-time ministry, giving them time and financial resources to build a self-supporting church.

Once support is established, CORE sends that support monthly, through the foreign missionary. CORE does not take a percentage of the support. CORE does cover the cost to send the support. CORE does not seek to have authority over the national pastor. By sending support through the missionary, the relationship with the missionary and national pastor is strengthened.

Members of the CORE team travel across America to represent and raise support for the national pastors. We raise support in churches, missions conferences, meetings with businesses, small groups, etc. We travel overseas to meet with our sponsored national pastors. We desire a personal relationship with each national pastor represented by CORE. On these trips, we seek the wisdom to better serve the national pastors, to offer assistance and encourage, and to gather pictures and videos for reporting on progress.

While it is not impossible for foreign missionaries to reach the entire world, we believe that well-trained national pastors will have a head start because they lack a cultural barrier. If we believe that the Gospel can reach every corner of the world, we have to be willing to equip the Bible-preaching men living in those corners. We believe our partnership with the national pastor does not negate our relationship with the foreign missionary. In fact, each national pastor represented by CORE must be recommended to us by a foreign missionary. We believe the foreign missionary is vital in completing God's great command.

WHAT WE DO

“The Gospel is only good news if it gets there in time.”



-Carl F.H. Henry

Our ministry goals include the growth and expansion of CORE Missions, the furtherance of the the Gospel, and the establishment and strengthening of local churches in remote areas. We plan to accomplish these goals through many different areas including:

- Visiting, Assessing, and Establishing New Ministry Partners Internationally
- Monitoring and Expanding Current Accountability Processes
- Partnering with Foreign Missionaries to help their National Pastors Succeed
- Establishing Bible Institutes
- Raising Support for National Pastors
- Hosting Short-Term Missions Trips
- Extended Survey Trips
- Extended Discipleship and Teaching Trips

TITUS 1:2

In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began

WHY WE GO

To glorify God by preaching His gospel to the nations.

The ultimate purpose for man's existence is to glorify God (Romans 11:36). We need to preach the Gospel not just out of a love for the lost in this world, but out of our love for God. We go to see Him glorified by those of "all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues" (Revelation 7:9).

The greatest good that we as believers can accomplish for humanity is to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all the world. When people are reconciled to God, they become reconciled to one another. The Gospel is the message through which people come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, and it is also the means by which they grow and become more like Jesus. Paul tells us, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth..." (Romans 1:16)

The Gospel not only takes place in the salvation of a sinner but in their sanctification as a believer (1 Timothy 3:16). The more a believer understands what God did for us in Christ, the more godly, Christ-like, and conscious of the lost in the world he will be.

Local Churches in Remote Areas

We believe that the local church is the means by which the gospel is proclaimed to the world. It is the place where saved and baptized believers of Jesus Christ gather together to worship, pray, study the Word, obey the two ordinances (baptism and Lord's Supper), and evangelize the world through the preaching of the Gospel.

Building the church was the goal of the apostles (Ephesians 3:10-11,21; 4:11-13), and it continues to be the goal of missions work today.

The Great Commission is not a ministry option to be debated by the church; it is a direct command from the Lord Himself (Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:46-48; John 20:21; Acts 1:8).

We can learn from Paul in this regard: His passion, responsibility, and burden for preaching the Gospel to the lost should encourage and convict us to do the same today. It is our responsibility in this generation to take the Gospel to all the world using our time, talents, and treasure.

RECOMMENDATIONS

PASTOR JOHN ANDERSON | Pinecrest Baptist Church • McDonough, GA

I am delighted to recommend Tim and Lauren Carter to you! I serve as the pastor of Pinecrest Baptist Church which is the home church for CORE Missions. With a growing population globally and many people groups that have not been engaged with the Gospel, much less reached by it, we must have a serious and productive strategy to partner with and train national pastors. As Hudson Taylor reminds us: "God is always advancing." We must also have a passion and plan to move the work of the Lord forward. I know no greater way for this to take place than to work closely with national pastors who will lead others to do the work of the ministry. I strongly recommend that you prayerfully consider a partnership with the Carter Family. May God use each of us to do our part as we advance the Commission of Christ one partnership at a time!

EVANGELIST MIKE HERBSTER | Southland Christian Ministries • Ringgold, LA

Over the past several years I have been introduced and fallen in love with CORE missions. The philosophy and mission of this organization is spot on. Their goal of helping advance national pastored churches should be at the heart of all missions. I'm enthused by the way they manage the funds in the ministry to make the most of the investment for the Gospel and the glory of God. The leadership is attentive to details, takes initiative, get things done, is very innovative, and is clearly showing the true heart of faithful ministry. They have big vision for influence and growth of mission work around the world! I hope that you will take time to get to know them and their ministry and prayerfully consider giving financially to the advancement of the Lord's work through them.

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TJ KIMMEL | Executive Director, CORE Missions • McDonough, GA

It's not often that you hear of a family that has started and built a successful company, only to leave it all behind to work full-time in the ministry of missions. Without any guarantee of financial compensation, Tim and Lauren Carter have done just that. While running a thriving car company, Tim served at his local church in Texas as a bi-vocational youth pastor. Lauren also served part-time as the church secretary. Tim and Lauren were both actively involved in many other aspects of their church.

I first met Tim and Lauren while preaching for their church: Harvest Baptist Church in San Angelo, TX. Shortly after, Tim and Lauren hosted a group from their church to Jamaica. While in Jamaica, the Carters and I became friends, and they immediately began volunteering as Continent Coordinators with CORE. A few months later, they began to serve as regional reps for CORE, speaking in local churches. The following year, the Carters led another group overseas, and I was privileged to see them lead this group with great humility. It was on this trip that the Carters expressed a desire to serve full-time in ministry with CORE Missions.

After much prayer and council, they moved to Georgia, and immediately got fully involved, traveling overseas five different times during their first year. While Lauren oversees all our finances and our accountability department, Tim is serving as our Director of Operations; overseeing mission groups, establishing relationships with new missionaries and national pastors, and helping direct the overall advancement of the ministry. While I am extremely grateful for their sacrifice, they desperately need monthly support to allow them to continue serving in this capacity. CORE does not charge the missionaries and national pastors for our services, so the income for the Carters has to come from personal support. Would you consider partnering with this dear family on a monthly basis? I would love to answer any questions you may have, and discuss how they can be a blessing to your church and missions program.

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PASTOR TYLER GILLIT | Worth Baptist Church • Fort Worth, TX

It is my privilege to recommend Tim and Lauren Carter to you and to your missions program. They both have sincere walks with God. They are beyond reproach in their integrity and testimonies. They are wholeheartedly committed to the calling that God has placed upon their lives.

Before going into missions, Tim owned a profitable used car dealership in San Angelo, Texas while faithfully serving as a youth pastor in his church. As he and Lauren started getting more involved in short-term missions and volunteering with CORE missions, God increased their burden to assist national pastors. After much prayer and counsel, they sold their business so that they could pursue the call of God upon their lives.

I pray that you will allow them to present their burden to the church you pastor. Their testimony will resonate with the people and their spirit will encourage you. We are excited about expanding our partnership with the Carters in the days ahead.

PASTOR DESTRY MCDONALD | Landmark Baptist Church • Carlsbad, NM

Our Lord gave us a command in His final moments before His ascension: to go and reach the world with the Gospel. Like you, I have a burden to see the Great Commission carried out. Here at Landmark Baptist Church, we strive to have a robust, thriving missions program; God has blessed us with terrific missionaries to partner with over the years.

Recently at our Faith Promise Missions Conference, we had the privilege of hosting the Carter family. It was evident that they have a love for missions and more importantly a call to missions. It became evident to me and our church that Tim and Lauren Carter are the types of missionaries that we want to support. I truly believe that the Carters and CORE Missions is a worthy investment. It is my privilege to recommend the Carters to you. Would you please pray and consider hosting the Carters? They will be a blessing to your ministry, a great addition to your missions program and a great partner in fulfilling the great commission.



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