

# REACHING ACROSS

Developing Christian leaders globally

**DECEMBER 2018** 

## "Giving Thanks": A Word from Our Executive Director



Executive Director Greg Morrow

Hard as it may seem to believe, only a few weeks remain until we turn the corner from 2018 into 2019. And as I reflect over the many opportunities the Lord has placed before FLF in 2018, one word comes to mind... thanksgiving.

I am thankful for the FLF board, advisory board and staff for their

visionary openness to the leadership of the Holy Spirit. Time and again this year, FLF has stepped out in faith to address partnership requests from leaders around our world.

God continues to lead as we follow and, as a result, the blessings have been many:

- Leader development among pastors in India
- New plans emerging from partners with whom we have had a rich history in Central America
- Training foster/adoptive parents in Ukraine and Moldova through our partnership with the Missouri Baptist Children's Home
- · Laying the foundation for future work in Poland
- Coaching music/worship leaders in Kiev

 Encouraging church planters at Ukraine Baptist Theological Seminary

For all these – and more! – we give thanks.

Still, even as we give thanks for what has been, I find myself also giving thanks for what *will* be. At our Nov. 1 board FLF board meeting hosted by the Missouri Baptist Children's Home in St. Louis, 14 new partnerships were approved!

As you read this, I hope you will be discover opportunities that excite and inspire you to continue to support us in the year ahead through your prayers, your willingness to consider being involved and especially your financial support as a concrete way in joining us in identifying, growing and multiplying leaders around the world.

The opportunities the Lord has led the board to approve will stretch us, challenge us and grow us. I am confident that one day in the future we will look back on 2019 and that same word will once again be on our lips...thanksgiving.

What a joy to be a part of what God is doing around our world! What an opportunity for FLF to join Him in developing Christian leaders globally!

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## INSIDE: Examine Our Blueprints for 2019

In this mailing, you'll find Future Leadership Foundation blueprints for ministry in 2019.

These projects represent cultivated partnerships with indigenous Christian leaders where we can best assist with their identified needs providing support through finances, personnel, materials or ministry connections.

Please use the enclosed card to pledge your support through your prayers, finances and support. Your gifts are tax-deductible. FLF is ECFA-accredited so you know your gifts are being used with financial integrity.



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### Future Leadership Foundation Looks Ahead to 2019:

The year ahead has diverse projects in North America, Europe and Asia. These include retreats, leadership training, visioning and church planting. We present brief descriptions and estimated cost for each approved by the FLF board.

# FAMILY MINISTRY LEADERSHIP TRAINING - BELARUS

Baptist Union of Belarus

This conference will train leaders in the Baptist Union of Belarus to develop family ministry in local churches, with between 20-40 couples projected to attend.

Estimated cost: \$500

#### THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION OF PASTORS CERTIFICATE OF TRAINING - EL SALVADOR

Asociación Bautista de El Salvador (ABES) Institución Teológica de Bautistas de El Salvador (ITBES) Board

Guatemala Baptist Seminary

Partnering with ABES, ITBES and the Guatemala Baptist Seminary, 10 courses will be offered over the next three years for participants to receive a Certificate of Training upon graduation, with a goal of having 30 pastors complete the training. FLF will provide professors for six of the courses.

Estimated cost: \$2,400



#### Future Leadership Foundation

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The Future Leadership Foundation (FLF) develops Christian leaders globally, collaborating with churches, ministry organizations and religious entities by addressing needs and goals that facilitate reaching people for Christ and equipping them for ministry.

#### Leadership Team:

Executive Director: Greg Morrow; Director of Operations: Melissa Hatfield; Director of Development: Randy Fullerton; Field Services Directors: John Jackson, Chris Cook and Michael Graves; Treasurer: Gary Collins; Communications: Ken Satterfield; Database Support: Angie Isringhausen

#### **Board:**

President: Gerri Ogle, California, Mo.; Vice President: John Heskett, Chesterfield, Mo.; Secretary: Phil Hunt, Lake Saint Louis, Mo.; Board members: Julius Anderson, Lake St. Louis, Mo.; Karen Badger, Rolla, Mo.; Steve Easterwood, Kirksville, Mo.; Stephen Hemphill, Liberty, Mo.; Stephen Mathis, Jefferson City, Mo.; Tom Ogle, California, Mo.; Jean Roberson, Birmingham, Ala; Thea Scott, Jefferson City, Mo.; and Tom Wright, Lee's Summit, Mo.

#### **Advisory Board:**

Jennifer Briner, Columbia, Mo; Irvin Cockriel, Columbia, Mo; and Verlyn Bergen, Jefferson City, Mo.

# "FUTUURUM" FUTURE LEADER TRAINING FOR YOUNG LEADERS - ESTONIA

Baptist Union of Estonia

Five two-day training events are planned throughout 2019 for young leaders 16-24 currently involved in local church leadership, focusing on servant leadership with an emphasis on spiritual growth, mentoring, and spiritual disciplines. The European Baptist Federation will partner with FLF in providing trainers and financial support.

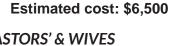
Estimated cost: \$3,500



## YOUNG PASTORS & LEADERS FAMILY RETREAT - INDIA

TLA Educational Trust of India

A three-day spiritual retreat will equip, encourage and empower an estimated 30 couples from eight states of Northeast India into a deeper commitment to the Lord and each other. The retreat seeks to enrich and enhance spiritual vitality among the participants.





# PASTORS' & WIVES "SPIRITUAL REUNION RETREAT" - LITHUANIA

Baptist Union of Lithuania
Building upon a successful
2018 initiative, the purpose
of this three-day retreat
will be to nourish and
strengthen emerging
relationships among church
leaders through building
communion between
churches.

Estimated cost: \$3.500

## **Ministry Projects for the Year Ahead**

# FOSTER/ADOPTIVE TRAINING RETREAT FOR MOLDOVAN CHILDREN'S HOMES - MOLDOVA

Union of Christian Evangelical Baptist Churches of Moldova (UCEBC)

A retreat for all Moldova children's homes July 1 - 7, 2019, held by the UCEBC. FLF will work with the Missouri Baptist Children's Home (MBCH) to provide training to foster/adoptive parents by sending MBCH-approved trainers to lead the retreat's adult track.

Estimated cost: \$5,000

#### PASTOR LEADER TRAINING THROUGH MENTORSHIP - MOLDOVA

Union of Christian Evangelical Baptist Churches of Moldova (UCEBC)

FLF has been invited by UCEBC to provide leader training in mentorship for 30 leaders in March and October 2019. Senior pastors involved in supporting planting new churches in Moldova will be trained in mentoring the church planters.

Estimated cost: \$6,000

#### SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE FOR LEADERSHIP TRAINING THROUGH LEADER INTERACTION -POLAND

Ten pastors and leaders selected by FLF will travel to Poland to build relationships with 10 Polish Baptist pastors that will continue long-distance throughout the year, in order to develop long-term relationships and partnerships.

Estimated cost: \$3,000

#### **ADULT CHOIR MUSIC FESTIVAL - UKRAINE**

Ukraine Baptist Union

A music festival with the theme "Oh sing to the LORD a new song" (Psalm 95:1) will encourage Ukrainian adult choirs through a training workshop featuring new hymns written by Ukrainian Baptist composers for this event. A church choir from the U.S. is invited to participate in the festival, tour Ukraine after the festival and provide a conductor to work with the festival choirs to enhance their music skills.

Estimated cost: \$1,000

#### **REGIONAL TEAM FORMATION PROJECT - UKRAINE**

Ukraine Baptist Union

Music leaders with responsibility for regional music ministries will be trained.

Estimated cost: \$500

# CHILDREN'S CHOIR MUSIC LEADERSHIP TRAINING CONFERENCE - UKRAINE

A boy's choir event is planned to strengthen male participation in music ministries among children and young people ages 7-14.

Estimated cost: \$500



# LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR MINISTRY AMONG DISABLED POPULATIONS - UKRAINE

Transfiguration Church, Kiev

FLF and the Missouri Baptist Children's Home will partner with the goal of providing training for parents and guardians of disabled children and adults through Transfiguration Church, Kiev, Ukraine, so that they can better serve the needs of their disabled children. Further this will provide an evangelistic opportunity for the church to reach families with disabled family members. A second goal is to lay the groundwork for a potential summer camp in 2020.

This initiative is fully funded for 2018. (Cost for trainers provided by MBCH)

#### MACEDONIAN PROJECT PASTORS/CHURCH PLANTERS RETREAT & VISION TRIP – UKRAINE

Ukraine Baptist Theological Seminary (UBTS)
FLF will support a week-long Mission Training Trip
in March 2019 as part of a continuing effort to recruit
American supporters and develop Christian leaders in
Ukraine. Trainers will instruct church planters at UBTS
in practical pastoral skills. By intentionally focusing
on bringing first-time American pastors the goals
is to provide cross cultural experiences and create
relationships that can be built upon.

Estimated cost: \$2,000

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### FLF Projects Planned for 2019

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#### ANTIOCH PROJECT - UKRAINE

A Ukrainian Pastors Conference is designed to involve local churches and church planters in missions. FLF will host the event and enlist leaders who will assist in training at the conference.

Estimated cost: \$2,500

# FOSTER/ADOPTIVE-CAMP LEADERSHIP TRAINING - UKRAINE

FLF will work with the Missouri Baptist Children's Home to providing training to Ukrainian foster/adoptive parents. Two clinical social workers will be sent to lead the adult track at an annual summer camp for foster/adoptive families. And, FLF will work with Southwest Baptist University to provide college-aged leadership for the children and youth at the camp.

Estimated cost: \$2,000

**Total 2019 Partnership Requests Cost:** 

\$38,900

## 500 Club Update

You may not be aware that all of our administrative costs are covered by the board and staff of Future Leadership Foundation, allowing FLF to focus slowly on raising project support.

The 500 Club is our desire to enlist 46 individuals and organizations to provide \$500 annually to fully fund projects, in either one payment or spread throughout the year.

We had 28 people and churches who were part of the 500 club in 2017-2018.

Use the enclosed card to indicate your interest or contact Director of Development Randy Fullerton, at randy @

flfmissions.org. Thank you for making the projects listed in this newsletter possible through your pledge to pay it throughout the year.

We regularly remind you about our need for your support and prayers. There are three avenues to give:

- Write a check to FLF and send to PO Box 1891, Columbia, MO 65205-1891 (new!)
- Give on our website, www.flfmissions.org.
- For other means that best meet your needs,
   please email us at office@flfmissions.org or
   call toll free 866.652.5150 and let us work with you

As a 501(c)3 charity, you will receive a statement of

your tax-deuctible gifts to FLF. Thank you in advance for investing in emerging leaders around the world!

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You can follow stories of what your gifts accomplish on Facebook (facebook.com/flfmissions) and Twitter (@flfmissions) as well in our e-newsletter.

To subscribe to our email and print newsletters, please email us your name and email address at support@flfmissions.org or call toll-free. Remember, choosing the email option will save postage!

## Stay in Touch

Stay in touch with Future Leadership Foundation, including Cindy Luecht as our new executive assistant:

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## We've Moved! (Sort of...)

In February, Future Leadership Foundation Future Leadership Foundation moved its main office to Columbia, Mo., but until now, mail was still being delivered to Jefferson City. Beginning January 1, 2019, our address will change to:

> Future Leadership Foundation PO Box 1891 Columbia, MO 65205-1891

Our toll-free number remains the same: (866) 652.5150

