

The Story of God:

A Love that Reaches

The story of God is a love story, the greatest love story ever told (or experienced). In the beginning, God created a world to join God's community, but the world rejected God and separated themselves from the Divine Community. At that moment, God initiated a plan to set things right—a plan that would allow God to once again commune with creation. **That plan, God's plan, is all about love.** First, God extended the reach of God's love to a single individual named Abraham. Then, God extended the reach of His love even further to envelop an entire nation, the nation of Israel. Finally, God extended the reach of His love to embrace the entire world through the efforts of God's Son, Jesus Christ. **This redemptive plan is not yet finished.** As God's people, we have been invited to participate in this love story—to extend our own hands and feet and arms to this world with the love of God. The book of God's enduring and extending love is still being written, and we are characters in this ongoing drama. What a miracle; what an opportunity! This month we celebrate the gracious story of God, we find our place within it, and we find the courage to participate in it more fully.



CENTRAL
CHURCH OF CHRIST



New York City



Kenya



Amarillo



India

~~\$475,000~~

Funds Required for
Missions in 2022 =
\$475,000

To fund missions at Central in 2022, the projected total amount is \$475,000. While that is a sizable goal, there's some good news. Because COVID prevented travel last year, and due to the good stewardship of the missions committee, not all of the 2021 funds were spent. There is a carryover of \$100,000 that will go toward our 2022 total amount.

Goal for October
Missions Month Giving =
\$375,000

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"How can I participate?"

GIVE

text "Amarillo" to 77977

VOLUNTEER

email elaine@amarillocentral.org

PRAY


follow along with the calendar

Tune in to social media for Missions Month updates! Find full details of our missions on the website.

OCTOBER 2021: Missions Month

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

Join us in praying for our missionaries throughout Missions Month.

<p>“A Love that Reaches”</p> <p>3</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Alara & Ringroad Schools in Kenya</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Bivins Elementary in Amarillo</p> <p>5</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Seth Bouchelle in New York City</p> <p>6</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Byron & Sandra Cana in Bogota, Colombia</p> <p>7</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Central Member Mission Trips</p> <p>8</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>“A Love that Reaches to an Individual”</p> <p>10</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Clinica Ezell in Guatemala</p> <p>11</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Gratitude House (Downtown Women’s Center) in Amarillo</p> <p>12</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Great Cities Missions</p> <p>13</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: HopeChoice Pregnancy Center in Amarillo</p> <p>14</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Matt Jones with Empower One</p> <p>15</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>“A Love that Reaches to a Nation”</p> <p>17</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Key to the Kingdom in India</p> <p>18</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Junior & Patricia Lira in Brasilia, Brazil</p> <p>19</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Martha’s Home in Amarillo</p> <p>20</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Mission Internships</p> <p>21</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Tony & Shana Morrow in Ukraine</p> <p>22</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>“A Love that Reaches to the World”</p> <p>24</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: The PARC (Panhandle Adult Rebuilding Center) in Amarillo</p> <p>25</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Valerie Richardson in Oklahoma</p> <p>26</p>	<p>Day of Prayer and Fasting</p> <p>27</p>	<p>Mission Highlight: Youth Mission Trips</p> <p>28</p>	<p>Prayer Highlight: Pray for our Local and Foreign Missions Committees</p> <p>29</p>	<p>30</p>
<p>“A Love that Reaches through Central”</p> <p>31</p>	<div><div></div><div><p>DATES TO REMEMBER</p><p>October 27: Day of Prayer and Fasting</p><p>October 31: Missions Sunday</p></div></div>					

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

2021 Foreign Missions Spending

Junior and Patricia Lira [Brazil]	\$55,279
Byron and Sandra Cana [Colombia]	\$24,000
Seth Bouchelle [New York City, NY]	\$31,620
Great Cities Missions	\$50,000
Tony & Shana Morrow [Ukraine]	\$15,000
Key to the Kingdom [India]	\$10,000
Alara and Ringroad [Kenya]	\$34,986
Clinica Ezell [Guatemala]	\$6,000
Valerie Richardson [Contact Mission Church - OK]	\$12,000
Matt Jones [Empower 1 - Africa]	\$5,000
One-time Support Gifts	\$16,100

2021 Local Missions Spending

Bivins Elementary	\$38,280
Gratitude House (Downtown Women's Center)	\$5,000
HopeChoice	\$5,000
Martha's Home	\$50,000*
The PARC (Panhandle Adult Rebuilding Center)	\$50,000*
One-time Support Gifts	\$14,481

** Because of COVID, Martha's Home and The PARC were unable to hold their annual fundraisers that provide the majority of their funding. Central therefore provided increased funding during 2021.*

How To Give

You have several options for how to give to missions at Central. You can give weekly to the missions fund. You can give a sum amount on Missions Sunday in October. Or you can make a pledge to fulfill throughout the year. You can give digitally or in person. However you choose to give, our prayer is that God uses those funds to his glory throughout the world.

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Colombia



Brazil



Ukraine



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