

January 2012 Focal Points



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General Conference 2011



Captions:

1. Norman Paslay introduces the theme for the 2011 service, the Open Door. 2. Bruce Howell rejoices with the Lucases as their budget has been raised! 3. Paul Mooney preaches the Word. 4. A partial view of the crowd that attended the 2011 Global Missions service.

What a blessing it is to be part of the United Pentecostal Church International! This church was formed out of a need and desire to see the true gospel of Jesus Christ reach the uttermost parts of the earth through an effort of unity of the brethren. I am glad to say the vision and effort is still clear and true. We are seeing souls all over the globe come to the knowledge of the truth from every tribe, nation and tongue. To God be the glory!

I am overwhelmed by the generosity of this great church and its donors. Because of your selfless giving, sacrifice and consistency, many souls are being added daily to the kingdom. Our people have a heart to give, and it has been shown this past year in the midst of economic downturn. May the Lord richly bless everyone involved in this furtherance of His great kingdom!

We want to say a special "THANK YOU" from Global Missions to every one who helped send five missionaries back to their fields of labor at the General Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. Without your tremendous giving, this would not have been possible. What a great victory it was not to have to raise all of the PIMs during the service and to dedicate the greater portion of time to the ministering of the Word! We are planning to do this again this next year, so please say a big "count me in" to this needed cause.

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Global Glimpses

MADAGASCAR: In a recent crusade held in Sainte Marie, there was a great evangelistic effort made, and 80 people were filled with the Holy Ghost and hundreds of contacts were made in this area.—**Chris and Paula Richardson**, Madagascar

PAPUA NEW GUINEA: Crowds of approximately 6,000 gathered in the remote region of Mendi, Southern Highlands, for our national conference in July 2011. This region is one of our fastest growing areas with churches in villages and mountain tops. People travelled from as far away as the Gulf, New Ireland, New Britain and Sepik provinces. Guest speaker **Reverend Oyang Sesaray**, from West Papua, preached fine messages. A wonderful welcome ceremony, including a drum and tambourine band, introduced a great three day conference. The meetings were held outdoors in a sports field in the town center where non-church members gathered in vehicles and on roof tops to hear the preaching. By the final day, over 100 had been baptized and seventy-two received His spirit for the first time.—**Richard and Margaret Carver**, Papua New Guinea

PARAGUAY: The second semester of classes started in mid-July 2011. Please pray for the Lord to direct each of the third-year students who will be finishing in December. There are also two families participating in a new intensive training program who will be sent out to plant new churches in early 2012.

From August 2010 to July 2011, approximately one hundred men have been baptized in our prison ministry. Many of those have since been released, but the weekly service still has fifteen to twenty attendees.—**Vladimir and Kim Goodrum**, Paraguay

Let me share the following exciting facts with you for the year of 2010-2011:

District Global Missions Directors

- Consist of 55 in total, who work with Global Missions in deputation scheduling.

Missionaries

- 208 Career Missionaries
- 87 Intermediate Missionaries
- 299 Associates in Missions
- 14 Associate Missionaries
- 127 Associated Ministers
- 41 Regional Missionaries
- 30 Global Training Institute Representatives
- Total of 806 Missionaries

Overseas Fields

- 19,686 National Ministers
- 195 Nations

Statistics Overseas in 2010

- A total of 2,208,947 constituents worldwide
- 34,133 churches and preaching points
- 3,630 new churches and preaching points established
- Average of 10 new churches and preaching points each day
- 132,965 were baptized in Jesus' name
- Over 364 were baptized in Jesus' name each day
- 127,070 received the Holy Ghost
- Over 348 received the Holy Ghost each day

I am thankful for God's anointing at our General Conference service this year. We were unctioned by the Spirit, and people responded to the call and stepping out by faith, gave to the cause. Our General Conference theme of "Let's Have Church" produced a powerful move each and every night with incredible and soul-stirring preaching. We are most thankful to Brother Paul Mooney for ministering in the Global Missions service and blessing us with a tremendous message and a heartfelt altar call that brought us all to consecration and commitment.

Last, but most assuredly not least, we saw God reach down and heal, perform miracles, and supply answers to the prayers of souls who gathered around the altar in faith and sacrifice at the end of the service.

I want to give a special "thanks" to every district superintendent and district board for the open doors at district conferences and special meetings in helping our missionary families with finances and support. Because of your selfless response, over 195 nations around the world are hearing this great message of truth!

We are praying for every church, pastor, and donor this year that our great God would continue to supply your needs according to His riches in glory. As we see the day of His coming draw nigh, I pray we give, go, and do more than we ever have before.

Bryan Abernathy

Director of Promotion
Global Missions

PROJECT OF THE MONTH: Sponsor A Child in Haiti

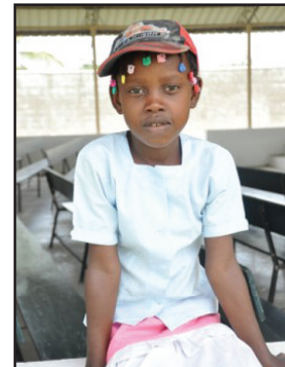


The United Pentecostal Church of Haiti has over 150 government-recognized schools that are teaching and training young people. However, the cost of education is

beyond the reach of many of our members. We have a sponsorship program that enables you to help support the education of these children with a once a year donation of \$75.00. Each child sponsored will receive an education, school uniform, a meal and so much more.



Please send donations of any amount to Global Missions, 8855 Dunn Road, Hazelwood, MO 63042. Please designate your donations for account number **103.FA0112F.033215.21.2113._.3120** or **Haiti Child Sponsorship**.



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The 2012 UPCI General Conference voted to change the name of the Foreign Missions Division to Global Missions. Pictured here is the new logo and color scheme for the new name. Please visit our new website at www.globalmissions.com.