



# Focal Points

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## GENERAL CONFERENCE 2020

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The 2020 General Conference in St. Louis, Missouri, was a virtual miracle from the hand of God! There was no way any of us could have foretold the outcome of General Conference, this year with the COVID-19 pandemic. We have lost some very special people around the world due to this pandemic and we are praying for those in its grasp. We are pleading the blood for each and every one of them, that God would heal them and perform a great miracle out of this darkness. I believe the Lord will make Himself great and show His glory through this pandemic to herald His name and message across the world with great revival in the days ahead.

Brother Morgan Mwanza, the General Superintendent of Zambia, Africa, blessed and stirred our hearts with the plea for fellowship to continue with them even though the church there is now nationalized. He pleaded for new young missionaries to come to Zambia and all nations to continue the growth and assist in Bible school teaching. We know that the Lord spoke to many young couples about a calling to go and take this gospel to the world! The video of our service can still be viewed by downloading our Global Missions app for any phone, Roku or Apple TV.

By the time General Conference started, we already had \$2.5 million in hand, and we were able after our Tuesday night service to send 15 missionaries back to their fields. This is due to the generous giving of the United Pentecostal church family during the midst of all the confusion and fear. This is the largest number of missionaries we have sent back from a General Conference, fully funded at the service! Our people rose to the occasion, sending a message to the darkness, and to our churches around the world, that God is on the throne and the church is alive in these last days. Since then, we have sent another missionary back to the field as funds have continued to come in. That means we have sent 16 missionaries back already this year. We have some still waiting, but we are believing God to continue to move upon His people that more missionaries will be sent this year.

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If you have not pledged or given, you can do so now by:  
Texting IAMGLOBAL to the number 41444 or on our web page at [globalmissions.com](http://globalmissions.com).

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Since the first I AM GLOBAL offering, we have sent 124 missionaries back to their fields early. We have saved deputation travel expenses in excess of \$4 million, and the local churches have saved over \$2.4 million in hosting traveling missionaries in the last six years of I AM GLOBAL. This General Conference found the church opening their hearts and funds once again as they responded to the move of His Spirit on a virtual scale. If you were not able to attend the General Conference virtual service, you can still be a part of this great miracle. We are once again asking every church to join with us and give at least a \$1,200 offering to send our missionaries back to the field. Will you join us in this great endeavor? We would like each church to have an I AM GLOBAL service, take up a special sacrificial offering and send it in before General Conference 2021 in Indianapolis, Indiana, where we will celebrate the miracle together.

Please make a special effort to join us during this incredible celebration time. We know these missionaries would still be on deputation without the sacrificial and generous giving of a God-minded church that loves the lost and desires to reach the world. In this hour of uncertainty, both physically, politically and economically, the church responds with an open heart to reach for the lost souls of this world. I believe we are living in the hour of the soon coming of the Lord for His church. What we do, we must do quickly. Jesus said we should work while it is day, for the night is coming when no man can work. I AM GLOBAL is working! The average deputation for a career missionary right now is 5.8 months and the average for an intermediate missionary is 12.8 months. This is something once thought impossible. To God be the glory for the things He has done! I am thankful for every dollar, sacrifice, prayer and testimony in our North American churches. Despite the age, hour or darkness, I know the church is doing exactly what God has called her to do—take the whole gospel to the whole world!

Will you be global this year?  
Will your church be global this year?  
Join us and be GLOBAL too!

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