

DCI Urgent Request August 2023

Dear Faithful Friends and Ministry Partners,

Mary and I have been in fulltime ministry for over 50 years and have experienced many great adventures as we have seen God work through us.

We have travelled to many countries and DCI is currently serving in over 50 countries.

We have had the privilege to equip thousands of Pastors to disciple their people. As a result, they have grown their churches and planted many thousands of new churches.

We continue the process of turning over the DCI leadership to new leaders, and as we look back over these wonderful years the one thing, we are most thankful for is the reports of changed lives.

Those who have received Christ have been transformed!

For Example: In one family – The husband was a drunkard, he spent all his time and all their money on drugs and alcohol. He beat his wife and children. His wife had to prostitute herself in order to feed their children. In their country the temperature is hot, so they do not live in their homes, they sleep there and live their lives outside, so all the community sees how you live. When this man received Jesus as his Saviour – he stopped drinking alcohol and doing drugs, he stopped beating his wife, they spent the little money they got on food for the family and his wife no longer had to be a prostitute. Now, this man loves Jesus, and he loves his wife and children. They joined a group that has helped them grow in their relationship with Jesus. Everyone around them saw the change. Soon after that the neighbors all wanted to know this Jesus who changed this family and many in the village received Jesus as their Saviour. This is why we are so passionate about sharing the gospel of Jesus! This is also why our ministry has grown in that country from a few groups to over 3,000 groups. From one changed life to many changed lives and from one changed community to many changed communities! Praise God!

This is just one story of changed lives, and it is happening in country after country as this movement of disciple-making continues to spread.

I have always been very encouraged by how faithful God has been to provide the finances for the work He has given us to do. Many of you continue to give so generously. This is your ministry, and you take that responsibility very seriously! Thank you! Through DCI we and our Team of DCI Global Trainers continue to see God change many thousands of lives because of your faithfulness!

I have been asked by the new DCI Director Sunday Abidogun to continue to keep in touch with our donors, which I am very happy to do. You are very dear friends and we have travelled together on this amazing journey for many years. We have seen God work in ways that only He could have done, over and over again. God loves His children, and He loves to bless us to be able to bless others!

When we call out to Him, He hears us and meets our deepest needs.

In the past few months, we have definitely been challenged! One of our faithful staff families had to escape with their children because of tribal fighting in their country. Many churches and the homes of many Christians (including our DCI staff family) were burned to the ground. They lost everything and had to relocate to a safer part of the country. We as DCI provided financial help for them and it was a blessing to be able to help, but this has set us back. Along with several other urgent needs we are now struggling to meet our regular monthly commitments!

The flow of finances has often slowed down in the summer months, yet the needs have not!

We need \$30,000 and \$7,000 of that has already come in! We are very thankful for that, but we still need \$23,000. God has always met our DCI ministry financial needs through people like you.

Could you make a one-time or monthly donation at this time?

If 100 people gave \$230.00 each, all these needs would be met!

Or 50 people gave \$460.00 each, all these needs would be met!

Or 23 people gave \$1,000.00 each, all these needs would be met!

Of course, any amount would be a great blessing, so give whatever God leads you to give.

The battle is not ours, but God's.

In 2 Chronicles 20:12 NIV - UK (You may want to read verses 1 to 28), Jehoshaphat, the King of Israel was facing a huge army that was coming against them. In verse 3 we read, "Alarmed, Jehoshaphat resolved to enquire of the LORD, and he proclaimed a fast for all Judah. ⁴ The people of Judah came together to seek help from the LORD; indeed, they came from every town in Judah to seek him". Verse 12 he prayed "Our God, will you not judge them? For we have no power to face this vast army that is attacking us. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you.' Verse 15 says, "This is what the Lord says to you: "Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God's". Through God's prophet God said in verse 17, "You will not have to fight this battle. Take up your positions; stand firm and see the deliverance the LORD will give you, Judah and Jerusalem. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Go out to face them tomorrow, and the LORD will be with you."

I found this prayer related to 2 Chronicles 20:12

Dear God, I lift my eyes to You. Please disrupt my false sense of control and my overblown confidence in my own abilities. I humbly bow and ask for your supernatural strength, wisdom and courage so I can endure these days and lead myself and others with faith for the future. My daily prayer will be: I don't know what to do, but my eyes are on you. Lead me and use me as an agent for your glory. In Jesus name, Amen.

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God works through His people as they Pray, Get Involved and Trust God to do it!

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