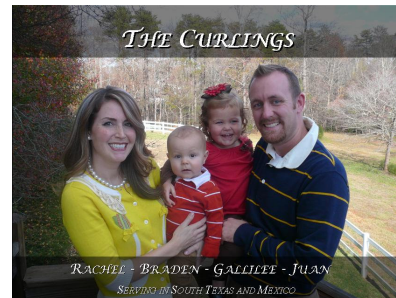


# Missionary Evangelism

## Ministry Overview

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## Mission Statement

**We are training young people to serve the Lord today while assisting missionaries and pastors for the furtherance of the Gospel.**

## History

Missionary Evangelism Ministries was established in 1975 to be a witness and light to the Latin world. The organization has been involved with a number of ministries including medical evangelism, native church planting, and Christian education.

In the late 1970's, church planting and medical evangelism blossomed throughout Mexico. Our strong emphasis on children's evangelism brought many souls into the family of God.

In the early 1980's, our ministry spread in several directions. The medical evangelism was primarily focused in Honduras as the war waged between the Contras and Sandinistas. National pastors began shepherding the Mexican churches planted in the 1970's, and soon they achieved full independence. In 1987, a new aspect of Missionary Evangelism was established to serve the border region of Texas and Mexico. The result was a Christian educational institution called Macedonian Christian Academy.



Macedonian Christian Academy has flourished in training and discipling young people for the cause of Christ. This ministry has had close to 50% of its graduates work in full time or laymen ministries.

It soon became apparent that that many Latin families needed a place for their children to receive Godly training. As MCA grew in maturity and success, pastors and missionaries in Latin America began asking for help to establish their own Christian educational ministries. Missionary Evangelism is now developing a program to assist pastors and missionaries as they begin their own educational ministries. As our ministries grow, we know that God will remain faithful as we continue to serve Him.

## Purpose

The purpose of Missionary Evangelism is to promote the work of Christ in regions that have little or no fundamental gospel witness.

It is our desire to give the gospel to those who have never heard. We strive to accomplish this by supporting local church development, supporting Bible institutes, planting Christian educational works, developing youth ministries, and printing and distributing Christian literature and curriculum. We want to encourage those who are already laboring in the harvest fields and to help train those who will be the leaders of tomorrow. Through whatever ministry God gives us, we hope to shed the light of the gospel.



## Vision

God has given Missionary Evangelism a desire to minister through unique avenues of evangelism, children ministries, and education. Instead of allowing government-run educational institutions to propagate their own set of beliefs, we desire to help Christian leaders in the Latin world as they train young people in God's Word.

We believe that, through the vehicle of education, the gospel will permeate different classes of people who have never heard the good news. Our desire is to see a new generation of established, Latin ministries take the next step of growth by pursuing Christian education.



## Ministries

### ● **Macedonian Christian Academy**

- Established in 1987, operating at full capacity from grades K-12<sup>th</sup>, training servants for service, by God's grace successfully graduating Christians who are surrendered to His will

### ● **Summer Leadership Mission Teams**

- Established in 1998, taking the church to the mission field, focusing on child and youth evangelism, facilitating small native works in having a large Bible school, seeking to help those on American mission teams commit their lives to God's service

### ● **Orphanage Assistance**

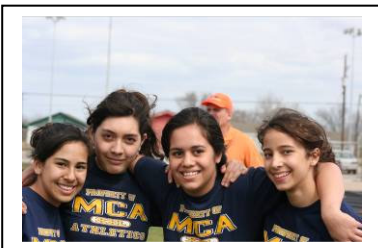
- Working with different orphanages; providing them with clothes, food, money and other necessities, and helping them function as Christian schools

### ● **Planting Christian Schools**

- Working with church planters, missionaries, and orphanages; desiring to open Christian schools through out Latin America; assisting our first school for orphans: Pillar De Esperanza Orphanage in Reynosa, Mexico

### ● **Short Term Missions**

- Providing an opportunity for young adults to serve as missionaries for one month, one semester, or one year; offering many opportunities for discipleship through a variety of ministries



## Doctrinal Statement

Missionary Evangelism holds to the historic fundamentals of the faith. The following are statements of belief that we believe are vital.

- I. The plenary, verbal, Divine inspiration of Scripture, consisting only of the 39 Old Testament and 27 New Testament books, in the original language, their consequent inerrancy and infallibility, and as the Word of God, the supreme and final authority in faith and life.
- II. The triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the Sovereign Creator, Sustainer and Ruler of the Universe.
- III. The essential, absolute eternal Deity; and the real and proper, and sinless, humanity of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- IV. His birth by the Virgin Mary.
- V. His substitutionary, expiatory death.
- VI. His resurrection from among the dead in the same body in which He was crucified, and the bodily return of this same Jesus to the earth in power and great glory to judge the earth and establish His Millennial Kingdom.
- VII. The "blessed hope" of the Christian in the personal, premillennial, and imminent coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to gather the Church "which is His body" unto Him.
- VIII. That the Holy Spirit enters, seals, and baptizes one the moment he is born into the family of God through faith in Jesus Christ, and that He endues, guides, teaches, sanctifies, empowers, and keeps the believer eternally secure.
- IX. Salvation, the effect of regeneration by the Spirit and the Word, not by works but by grace through faith in the shed blood of Christ.
- X. The abiding presence and ministry of the Holy Spirit in each regenerate life

## **Board of Directors**

### **Rev. Eric Sipe**

*Pastor of Evangelism at Heritage Bible Church*

Formerly a missionary to Germany, Rev. Sipe understands and encourages those who are working on the mission field. He displays a heart willing to spread the Word of God both at home and throughout the world. He is a faithful friend and a God-given gift to Missionary Evangelism as he encourages and inspires the workers of God to continue serving the Lord.

Eric currently serves on the Executive Board of the New York Gospel Mission Board and is a board member of the Demonstrative Need Scholarship Fund for Bob Jones University in Greenville, SC.

### **Allen Hodges CPA**

*Experienced Finance Manager*

Talented in the area of accounting, Allen Hodges has helped several non-profit Christian ministries with their finances. He assists Missionary Evangelism in the area of stewardship as they seek to honor the Lord with what He has given them. Allen Hodges has also given personal time to assist in a summer ministry team. This sensitivity to the Lord helps him to be a true witness.

Allen previously served as President for one year and as Treasurer and Director for several years of the Greenville Civitan Club and Civitan Charities, Inc. He also served as a member of the Greenville County Development Board, the Greenville Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Department Board, and the South Carolina Textile Manufacturers Association Tax Committee.

Allen currently serves on the Legislative Committee for the SC Association of Certified Public Accountants and is a member of Heritage Bible Church in Greer, South Carolina.

## **Board of Directors**

### **Dr. Nick Uwarrow**

*Professor of Education at Bob Jones University*

As a graduate professor at Bob Jones University and an experienced administrator in education, Dr. Uwarrow is a priceless resource for Missionary Evangelism. He is regularly called upon to make inspections of schools and assess their teachers and academic programs. Dr. Uwarrow is a vital part of guiding to Missionary Evangelism as they carry out their academic programs.

Nick is known for getting involved in his community and in the Christian education circles. He helps with Republican causes and with Right to Life events. He keeps himself busy by speaking at Christian school conventions, in-services, graduations. He also takes university mission teams to the Ukraine and various Spanish-speaking countries each year.

### **Santiago W. Curling**

*Director of Macedonian Christian Academy*

Santiago Curling was called to the ministry in 1997 and is presently the head of Missionary Evangelism. He has a heartfelt passion to see the advancement of fundamental ministries in Latin countries. He is achieving this goal by working in several ministries both in the Rio Grande Valley and in Mexico. His vision is to begin a Christian educational movement throughout the Spanish-speaking world, giving the youth of Latin America the opportunity to become the next great generation of witnesses.

### **Rev. Valente Hernandez**

*Evangelist to Mexico*

For over forty years, Rev. Hernandez has been an evangelist and church planter throughout Mexico. He has accomplished much in his homeland, both in churches and in missions. He organizes and directs many ministry conferences and conventions. With a passion to see the gospel advanced to his people, Rev. Hernandez also began one of the largest radio ministries in Mexico. This powerful preacher and wise mentor is a blessing to Missionary Evangelism.

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## Juan's Testimony

My name is Juan Curling, and I am a missionary on the border of Texas and Mexico. I was born in Mexico but moved to the U.S. border when I was five years old. My parents were church planters in Mexico and medical missionaries to Honduras. They also started Macedonian Christian Academy, a Christ-centered, discipleship-model school for Christian families on the border of Texas and Mexico in the Rio Grande Valley.

I graduated from Macedonian Christian Academy in May, 1997, and continued my education at Bob Jones University in Greenville, South Carolina. After finishing my first year of college, my brother, Santiago, and I returned home and were shocked and heart broken to find my mother bed-ridden. Cancer had gone into overdrive, and she could hardly move. My mother had not told us how ill she was because she did not want to “trouble us” while we were at college.

We had many difficult decisions to make that summer. We did not believe our mother would make it through the following semester, so we decided not to return to college. Instead, we stayed home to take care of her and help out in the ministry. My mother passed away on October 3, 1998. My brother, Santiago, and I were only 21 and 19 years old at the time we took over the ministries of Missionary Evangelism. Santiago took over the educational side of the ministry, while I was in charge of the summer missions program.

The following spring I returned to Bob Jones University to continue my education. I changed my major to Information Systems Management (Computer Science) with a minor in coaching. I felt this major would be more useful to our ministry. I continued my education off and on for the next several years, attending as many semesters as possible.

I met my wife, Rachel, in April, 2000. We were married December 13, 2002, and I graduated in May, 2004. Our mission board insisted that we pay off all our school debt before moving to the mission field full time. We had a total of \$64,000.00 to pay off and felt overwhelmed and discouraged. With much prayer and hard work, the Lord allowed us to pay everything off by April, 2005.

We moved to the border in August, 2005. The Lord has continued to show Himself faithful to us by providing for all our needs each and every month. We have been blessed to have many friends and families supporting us, but we are still in need of more support. God has promised to supply all our needs according to His riches in glory. I look

forward to seeing God meet those needs just as He has in the past. I am thankful to my Heavenly Father for His ongoing faithfulness in my life.

## **Rachel's Testimony**

I was born in Greenville, South Carolina, where I was blessed to have been raised in a Christian home by parents who love the Lord. I praise the Lord every day for giving me parents who saw the value of a Christian education. They were willing to sacrifice financially so that my three sisters and I could learn and grow in a Christ-centered environment.

Although I prayed the sinner's prayer at the age of eight, it was not until my sophomore year of college that I truly realized my need for salvation. I may have had the head knowledge all along, but my heart was black with sin. My life was completely centered on self, and I gave no thought as to what God, my Creator, would have me do. I praise the Lord for opening my eyes, so that I could see the path of destruction I was heading down. I praise the Lord for friends and family who prayed for me. And I praise the Lord for saving me from eternal separation from God. Matthew 21:22 states, "And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." It is my prayer that my testimony will be an encouragement to believers to continue praying faithfully for that son, daughter, or loved one who is lost or away from God.

Looking back, it is amazing to see how the Lord has been preparing me for this ministry. Proverbs 16:9 tells us, "A man's heart deviseth his way: but the Lord directeth his steps." This verse has been so evident in my life. Even as a young girl, I had my own ideas about what I wanted to do with my life. In fact, when I was in elementary school, a church leader asked me what I wanted to be when I grew up. Much to my parent's dismay, I proudly stated I was going to be either an artist or a professional wrestler. At that point, my parents wisely decided I was no longer allowed to watch Sunday afternoon wrestling. Instead, I would begin taking piano lessons.

In junior high and high school, my interests turned to music, especially singing, so upon entering college, I chose to major in voice performance. Unfortunately, I did not choose that major because I desired to better my talents for the Lord's use. The truth was I had selfish ambitions, and I was full of pride. Looking back now, I praise the Lord that even while my heart was devising my own selfish ways, the Lord was truly directing my steps. I now use those musical skills that I

developed to teach voice and violin lessons, prepare our students for music competitions, and organize music for summer mission teams.

Like I mentioned earlier, it was not until my sophomore year of college that I received Christ. It was at that time that I began to see the Lord guiding me more directly. When I changed my major from performance to education, everyone in my family – including myself – was surprised, including myself, because I had never before had the desire to be a teacher. Surely the Lord was working in my heart and preparing me for a future ministry that I was unaware of.

Juan and I began dating at the end of my junior year of college, and that was when the Lord began to unveil his will for my life. Not only did God want me to be Juan's wife and helper, but He also wanted me to minister as a missionary teacher on the border of Texas and Mexico. Little did I know, the Lord had been preparing me for this exact ministry all along. At Macedonian Christian Academy I am using the skills I developed in both music and teaching to help prepare young people to serve the Lord. I praise the Lord for directing my steps even when I did not quite know where I was going.

At times, the responsibility of ministry can seem overwhelming, but the Lord has brought much encouragement to me through passages, such as, Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, 'saith the LORD', thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart." We know without a doubt we are serving in God's will. Please pray for Juan and me as we seek the Lord's direction in all our steps.