

## CALLED TO BE WITNESSES

We are all called to be witnesses for Christ (Acts 1:8) and to share the gospel (Mat 28:18-20).

## PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR MINISTRY

Our confidence in partnership is based in these questions posed by Paul: “How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard?[a] And how are they to hear without someone preaching? 15 And how are they to preach unless they are sent? (Romans 10:14-15, ESV). In summary, a Harvest Partner is someone who recognizes those biblical facts. Partnership consists of having a willing heart to help in the following areas: (1) praying and (2) financially supporting the laborers (Phil 4:18). Partners invest in the sharing of the gospel according to Phil 1:5. Therefore, we will also share in the harvest and reward (2 Peter 3:9; Hebrew 6:10).

## A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE MINISTRY

In August 1980, I felt the call of God to the ministry of the Gospel. Two years later, I was licensed and started on the journey of preparation by doing one-on-one ministry and in churches. In 1996, the Lord called Wendy and I to serve in the Caribbean as missionaries. So, in 1998 Wendy and I left our home in Oklahoma and traveled to St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands. We established Covenant Point Institute and ministries. After 15 years, we took a break to upgrade our education in preparation for the next phase of our assignment. In 2018 we set out in the relaunch of our internal work. Our ministry today is the Dr. Isaac Schaeffer Family Ministries with our mission of calling people into a sacred relationship with Jesus Christ.

## THE MISSION OF THE MINISTRY

**Mission:** The Dr. Isaac Schaeffer Family Ministries mission is to present the gospel to as many people as possible by ministering to families through outreach while promoting a sacred intimate relationship with God.

**About:** Dr. Schaeffer is a pastoral and community counselor and the founder of Dr. Isaac Schaeffer Family Ministries. For more than 20 years, Dr. Isaac Schaeffer has been conducting seminars and coaching sessions to provide leaders, stakeholders, and families with tools for creating powerful and productive relationships. Dr. Schaeffer has spoken to leaders in government agencies, non-profits, schools, churches and businesses across the United States and internationally.

# *Our Covenant of Partnership*



Dear Partners,

The Lord said, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few,” (Matt. 9:37, ESV). Scripture says, “pray **earnestly** to the Lord of the harvest **to send out laborers** into **his** harvest.” (Mat. 9:38, ESV).

You and I are responsible for asking God to send laborers into the harvest -- on the streets of your city, in our state, and wherever God is targeting for a harvest. Therefore, as we pray to God to send out laborers, we must keep in mind that it costs money to finance the laborers.

### About Harvest Partners

A Harvest Partner is one who recognizes the call of **all believers** to be witnesses for the Lord and to be part of the Lord’s harvest team, i.e., going or being a co-harvester (co-laborer) by financing the Gospel (the preachers, those going out to share the gospel).

When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “**Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.**” Simon answered, “Master, we’ve worked hard all night and haven’t caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets.” When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that **their nets began to break**. So they **signaled their partners** in the other boat to come and help them, and **they came and filled both boats** so full that they began to sink. (Luke 5:4-7, NIV).

### Benefits of Partnership

When the Apostle Paul traveled on his missionary journeys, he needed financial support, so he appealed to the Philippian church for help. Paul wrote:

<sup>15</sup>And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into **partnership** with me in **giving** and **receiving**, except you only. <sup>16</sup>Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. <sup>17</sup>Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit.<sup>[c]</sup> <sup>18</sup>I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. (Philippians 4:15-18, ESV).

**A partnership** is about **giving** and **receiving**. It is investing in the ministry of evangelism while sharing in its harvest. In return for giving to the ministry, Paul declares, “... my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. (Phil 4:19, ESV).

### Focus of Our Ministry

This command motivates our ministry to the lost: "Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled." (Luke 14:23).

### Invitation to Partnership

I invite you to become a partner with our ministry.

Your partnership will allow us to minister to and evangelize families and raise support for needy children. Your financial and spiritual investment is an investment in the spiritual and material future of families and children. Lastly, our work also trains pastors and church leaders on pastoral family support and how to help their own relationships. Most importantly, we are calling people into a close and holy relationship with God.

Our commitment to you is that we will minister the gospel of Jesus to families and children. We will also keep you on our prayer altar on a regular basis.

Thank you, and God bless your hands!

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