

THE PARABLE OF THE SHEPHERD

Matthew 18:12-13

“What do you think? If a man owns a hundred sheep, and one of them wanders away, will he not leave the ninety-nine on the hills and go to look for the one that wandered off? And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he is happier about that one sheep than about the ninety-nine that did not wander off.” (Matthew 18:12-13)

“The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise.... He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.”
(2 Peter 3:9)

“This is...pleasing to God our Savior who wants all people to be saved....”
(1 Timothy 2:3-4)

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.” “The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us....”
(John 1:1,14)

“For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost.” (Luke 19:10)

“When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?” (Psalm 8:3-4)

“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations...” (Matthew 28:19)

“...you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth” (Acts 1:8)

Here's a short list of what we've done so far, together.

- January – Funded a training for church planters in Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- February – Partnered with CICM to train 100 church planters in Mumbai, India.
- March – Partnered with TCM to train church planters in Istanbul. Also trained workers to minister among the refugees and immigrants from closed countries in NYC.
- April – Filled a CHF truck with food for the needy right here in LA and identified church planters to support in LA.
- May – Partnered with the Orchard Group to identify church planters in the city of Paris and packed food for Lima.
- June – Partnered with Team Expansion and LST to send teams to Guangzhou. A team just got back from Tokyo.
- July – Teams from Shepherd leave next week for Beijing and Seoul on LST Trips and we are funding a deaf translation of the Bible in Seoul.

How can you get involved?

1. Pray for workers daily and pray for the nations. See Matthew 9:38; Luke 10:2. Sign up now to pray at 30cities.com/prayer for your city.
2. Be trained in how to share your story and God's story.
<http://www.shepherdchurch.com/registration/story>
3. Give to a Shepherd project or short-term trip.
<http://www.shepherdchurch.com/trips>
4. Attend a global missions conference: ICOM, FTT, Urbana
5. Take a Global Christianity Course: Kairos, Bridges, etc.
Contact our Global Outreach Department for more info.

... there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent." (Luke 15:7)

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