



**But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.**

**Acts 1:8**

## First Quarter 2008 Overseas Destinations

**London.** December 28, 2007 – January 5, 2008; July; Fall. This will be the first of many opportunities to work in this largest metropolitan area in Europe over the next several years. A second team will work in London in July and a third opportunity will be scheduled for the fall. Contact: Spencer Knight.

**North Africa.** January 11-22. This team will work alongside a journeyman from Hunter Street and others in a strategic area of North Africa. This team will lay the foundation for ongoing work in this country among an unreached people group. Contact: Ricky Cox.

**Kenya.** January 19-February 3. This team will work with others from the United States in Nairobi, the capital of Kenya. The team will be involved in building facilities, assisting with feeding programs, providing medical screenings, and hosting Kids Clubs for over 850 children who come from the largest slum in all of East Africa. This team will assist in the ongoing ministry of First Love International. Robert Kameta, a Tanzanian who served on the staff at Hunter Street for several years, is already in Nairobi and is excited about the opportunity to welcome the team as they serve others as part of this team. Contact: Morrell Dodd or Nick Nikoli.

**West Africa.** February 15-23. This team will continue work which began in 2004 among a strategic unreached people group of 1.3 million. Less than 50 persons are believers worldwide among this people group. The team will work in villages, praying in village compounds, sharing the great stories of the Bible with adherents of another major world religion, and performing other ministries as doors open. Contact: Frank Blackwell.

**Thailand.** March 13-21/22. This team will work alongside missionaries whose focus is a major unreached people group. Less than 1% of this people group knows Jesus as Savior and Lord. Most have never even heard the gospel. This continues work first begun in 2004. Contact: David Howell.

**Dominican Republic.** March 16-22. This team will work in the capital city of Santo Domingo, assisting missionaries there in planting new churches in the unreached barrios of this city of over 3 million. Contact: Gary or Wendy Koon.

## Other 2008 Overseas Destinations

**Southwest Africa.** TBA. This team will work with a ministry that digs wells to provide water for people with little or no access to clean water. Contact Ric Callahan.

**Paris.** May 23-31. November 14-23. November 28-December 7.

Open to all adults (married and single), these teams will engage in strategic, focused prayer in immigrant areas of this city of over 12 million. Teams will also focus on finding Persons of Peace who will be key to the starting of Bible studies/churches in one or more areas. Contact: Frank Blackwell (May) or Tommye Lambert (November and December).

## **2008 North American Destinations**

**Montana.** July. A team will return once again to work alongside Pastor Greg Payton and the church family of West Park Baptist Church in Billings. Sports ministry will serve as the cornerstone of the team's ministry. Other ministry opportunities will also arise. Open to all ages, including couples with children. Contact: Bill Decker.

**New York City.** TBD. Teams will be scheduled to work in areas where West Africans live. Working alongside missionaries living in a strategic borough of this city of about 15 million, the work will focus on finding Persons of Peace who will be open to starting Bible studies in homes that will eventually lead to the establishment of churches. Contact: Tommye Lambert, Spencer Knight, or Frank Blackwell.

**Clarkston, Georgia.** TBD. Work will begin in this suburb east of Atlanta among refugees who have settled in Clarkston. Hunter Street will partner with Phil and Myra Kitchin, former IMB missionaries to Belgium. Phil now serves as pastor of Clarkston International Bible Church. Contact: Frank Blackwell.

**Nebraska.** TBD. A vision team will travel to Nebraska in 2008 to lay the foundation for work in the heartland of America. 67 counties in this state have no Southern Baptist work and over 20 counties have no evangelical witness of any kind. Hunter Street will join with other Baptists in Nebraska to pray and to help plant churches in strategic towns/cities of the Cornhusker state. Contact: Frank Blackwell.

**Virginia.** TBD. Hunter Street has worked in the Commonwealth State the past two years, assisting churches in Virginia in developing effective ministry to men and women. The team has been involved in the ministry of encouragement to pastors and other church leaders. Consideration is being given to returning a third time this year. Contact: Sylvia Green or Chris Sullivan.

**Birmingham.** June. Hunter Street will once again participate in a Vacation Bible School at Lake Highland Baptist Church in the airport area. A block party and promotion of the Bible school will precede the actual VBS. Contact: Bobbie Van Atta.

## 2008 Student Missions Opportunities

**Route 56.** April 11-13

**Chi Alpha.** June 14-21

**Higher Ground.** March 15-19.

**World Changers.** July 12-19.

## 2008 Senior Adult Choir Mission Tour

**Joyful Singers.** April 19-22

## Local Missions Opportunities

### Hunter Street Baptist Church

**English as a Second Language (ESL).** Internationals from many countries now live in the Over-the-Mountain area of Birmingham-Hoover. Reach the world within the walls of Hunter Street by participating in this ministry. Teachers and greeters are needed for classes each Wednesday morning and evening and on Sunday morning. Workers are also needed each Wednesday evening for Homework Helpers, assisting children with homework while parents attend the ESL class. Contact: Cindy Woodham.

**Iglesia Christiana Agape.** Hunter Street has joined with four other Over-the-Mountain Baptist churches in planting a church among the many Hispanics now living in our area. Workers are needed to help with ESL classes and tutoring on Tuesday evenings and to work in various capacities at Bible study on Sunday. Contact: Harry or Donna Harper.

**International Students at UAB.** Join others in outreach to these students, many of whom have never entered an American home. Various ministry opportunities exist, including van drivers for Sunday afternoons and families to befriend students. Contact: Kerri Crowe, DeDe Lange, or Renee Glover.

**Internationals: Adults/Families in Over-the-Mountain Area.** Many non-Hispanic internationals also live in the OTM area of Birmingham. Join with others in reaching one of the people groups now living here in increasing numbers. Contact: Steven or Chris Lawley.

**Alabama Adventure.** Hunter Street will endeavor to minister once again to international college students who will work at Alabama Adventure during the summer of 2008. Join with many others who were involved in this ministry in 2007. Contact: Jennifer Nasser, Teri Clement, or DeDe Lange.

## Are You Ready To Go?

### What is needed to participate in a Missions Journey?

- A willing heart.
- A completed Hunter Street Volunteer in Missions application.
- A completed Hunter Street Child Protection Policy.
- A valid passport (all destinations outside the United States).
- Immunizations (where required).
- Meet health requirements for a specific destination.
- Willingness to attend orientation and training sessions.
- Willingness to engage in ongoing prayer and enlist prayer partners to join you.

### Questions?

Contact Frank Blackwell, Minister of Missions, [frankb@hsbc.org](mailto:frankb@hsbc.org) or Jennifer Cody, Ministry Assistant, [jenniferc@hsbc.org](mailto:jenniferc@hsbc.org) or 205.985.7295.

### Other Opportunities to Serve

**MAPP Ministry.** This ministry, devoted to praying strategically for missionaries and the lost peoples of the world, needs volunteers who have a passion for taking the gospel to the nations of the world by undergirding those efforts with focused, ongoing prayer. Prayers are needed for local missions, North American missions, and all overseas locations. Contact: Ricky Cox.

**The Shepherd's Staff.** Missionaries need love and encouragement. Join with others who have a heart for meeting the needs of missionaries, especially those who live near us during their stateside assignments (furloughs). Contact: Susan Hines.

**Women on Mission.** Join other women who study about missions, pray for missionaries and the lost peoples of the world, and are involved in a variety of local missions opportunities. Open to adult women of all ages. Contact: Bobbie Van Atta or Betty Claire Paden.

**Royal Ambassadors and Girls in Action.** Opportunities for service are available on Wednesdays evenings with these missions ministries for children in grades 1-4. Contact: Tracy Caldwell (GAs) or Ed Lawrence (RAs), or Mark Jarrett.

**Mission Friends.** Opportunities for service are available on Wednesday evenings with Mission Friends, ages 4-5. Join others whose heart is to lay the foundation for a lifetime of devotion to the Great Commission among these preschool children. Contact: Joanna Pyron.

## Little Known Facts

### Did You Know....

- That the world's most populous Muslim nation is Indonesia?
- That more people worship at Hunter Street on a given Sunday than there are Baptists in all of France?
- That there are more evangelical believers in the Congo (Africa) than all of France, Spain, Portugal, and Italy...combined?
- That there are more than 1,700 unreached people groups in the world today? Many of these have little or no access to the gospel.
- There are more practicing Muslims in France than there are practicing Catholics and Protestants combined?
- That among the 25 EU states, France has the highest number of Muslims (5.5 million), followed by Germany (3.2 million), the United Kingdom (1.5 million), and Italy (1 million)?
- That over half of the Western European population has never opened a Bible?
- That more than 365 million people call Western Europe home? Of these people, less than 2% of the population is evangelical Christian.
- That Tokyo is the largest urban center in the world? Over 99% of the Japanese people still do not know Jesus as Savior and Lord.
- That 95% of the people of the Dominican Republic do not have a personal relationship with Jesus? That 200 Dominicans over the age of 15 die every day and that over 190 go into eternity without Jesus.
- That many of the people of the Dominican Republic practice what is called Santeria, a mixture of ancestor worship and Catholicism?
- That over 1.1 billion people live in India and that over 1 billion of them do not know Jesus as Savior and Lord?
- That there are thousands of refugees from all over the world living in the Atlanta area, many of them in Clarkston?
- That more than 300 people groups in West Africa are considered unreached and unengaged? Among these people, little or no evangelism and church planting activity is being done by ANY Christian organization.
- That one people group in Russia, the Udmurts, number approximately 770,000? Fewer than 2,000 believe in Jesus Christ.
- That there are 208 predominantly Muslim people groups in the countries of the former Soviet Union (84 million people)? They have little or no access to the gospel.
- That of the 6.6 billion people in the world, more than 1.65 billion have little or no access to the gospel?
- That at least 150,000 West Africans now live in New York City?

## **Opportunities for Service International Mission Board, SBC**

**Journeyman.** The Journeyman Program is available for single, twenty-something college graduates who will commit to two years of international cross-cultural missionary service.

**International Service Corps.** The International Service Corps (ISC) Program is available to singles, couples, and young families who are willing to accept an assignment from two to three years in a variety of opportunities around the world.

**Masters.** Persons 50 years of age or older who are available to make a two or three year commitment to overseas service may utilize the maturity, skills, and experience they have gained over a lifetime. This is designed especially for people who want to serve God through international missions as their next career.

**Missionary Apprentice.** An initial apprentice term of 3 to 4 years provides the opportunity for long-term missionaries to study the language, experience the culture, and develop a rapport with a specific people group. The apprentice gains valuable field experience alongside veteran personnel that facilitates integration into the people group and the strategies of the evangelism/church planting team.

**Missionary Associate.** Those who have successfully completed an apprentice term may be considered for missionary associate service if they do not fully qualify for career service or when a four-year assignment is preferred.

**Career.** Career missionaries are the foundation of the mission efforts of the SBC International Mission Board. They invest a lifetime in cross-cultural evangelism, church development, and church planting movements.

Contact the International Mission Board at [www.imb.org](http://www.imb.org) or at 1-800-999-3113, or contact the Missions Office at Hunter Street.



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