

2017 ANNUAL REPORT

Compelled by Love

EAST WEST
MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL



A LETTER FROM KURT NELSON

As you'll see in the pages of this report, God has been incredibly kind in allowing East-West missionaries, national partners, and supporters to act as vessels of His grace and mercy to the unreached in 2017. Throughout this last year, the Body of Christ was mobilized, the gospel was proclaimed, leaders were equipped, churches were planted, and disciples were multiplied.

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures forever" -Psalm 136:1

We have a deep conviction that these words are true. The goodness and enduring love of God is what compels us to reach the unreached with the good news of Jesus Christ.

Thank you for being a part of God's mission with us!

Sincerely,



Kurt Nelson
Chief Executive Officer

CHANGED LIFE STORY

Santoso was desperate. His son was held captive within his home due to a mysterious illness. Even with medicine, he rarely felt well enough to venture into his village.

Compelled by love, Santoso* was willing to go to great lengths for his son's healing and visited multiple doctors, religious men, and spiritualists in search of a cure. None of them could identify his son's disease ... much less heal him.

After depleting his wealth and seeking help from people outside of his Hindu faith, Santoso's only glimmer of hope came from a prophecy—healing will come to your family in 15 years.

So the wait began.

Seventeen years had passed when an East-West national partner and missionary entered Santoso's unreached region of Southeast Asia and came searching for opportunities to pray for those in need—specifically people in search of physical healing. The plight of Santoso's son was known throughout the local villages, and one man insisted he escort the missionaries to his home.

Miles later, they arrived at Santoso's doorstep and were welcomed into his home. Santoso shared his son's story and his deep desire to see him healed. The national partner and missionary entered the son's room, laid their hands on him, and prayed for miraculous restoration in Jesus' Name. Then they left the village.

The missionary team returned to Santoso's home two weeks later. The sight before them was stunning.

Santoso's son was walking!

They eagerly approached the home and soon learned he had stopped taking his medicine. **After nearly two decades, their wait was over.**

God had begun to heal the ailments in Santoso's son ... but that was just the start of a deeper transformation.



Prior to witnessing his son's healing, Santoso was opposed to the Christian message. He was a devoted Hindu, but the miracle he witnessed firsthand opened his heart and mind to hear more about Jesus.

The national partner and missionary sat with them to share the gospel. Days later, Santoso appeared at one of the field worker's home in the city ... sharing that he had come to believe Jesus was His risen Savior and Lord. And God wasn't done healing this community.

Because Santoso and his son were known throughout the region, their story of healing spread fast—invoking curiosity and interest. The miraculous power tied to the Name of Jesus had caught the attention of their neighbors. Since that fateful day, a church has started in his village.

This community is being transformed by the gospel ... and it all started through a father's passionate pursuit of his son healing.

"Heal me, LORD, and I will be healed; save me and I will be saved, for you are the one I praise." -Jeremiah 17:14

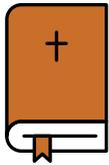
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MINISTRY STATISTICS

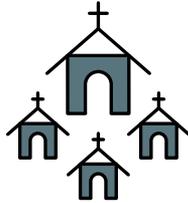
East-West works in **54 countries**, of which:

- **28** are on the World Watch List for most persecuted places for Christians (50.9%)
- **37** are considered unreached by Joshua Project (68.5%)

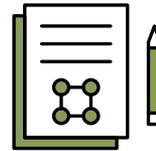
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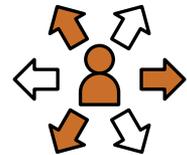
25,735,060
*people were exposed
to the gospel*



34,079
*new churches
were started*



283,885
*local leaders
were equipped*



347,594
*disciples were
multiplied*

On average
it costs
East-West:

6¢ / *to reach one
person with
the gospel*

\$8 / *to equip
one believer*

\$22 / *to start
one new
church*



Our missionaries and national partners multiply disciples and churches in **10 world regions**:

1. Africa
2. Central Asia
3. Latin America
4. East Asia
5. Europe
6. Middle East
7. Russia & the Caucasus
8. South Asia
9. Southeast Asia
10. U.S. Diaspora

East-West is fueled by:



541

*churches who partnered
with us in ministry*



32

*interns who served
around the world*



2,410

*people who partnered
with us in prayer*



4

*days of worldwide
staff prayer*



40

*U.S.-based staff
chapel gatherings*



239

*daily staff
prayer meetings*



8

*partner
organizations*



10,455

*faithful donors
to our ministry*

Thank you for joining God's global work with us in 2017!

CELEBRATING IGNITE A MOVEMENT

The conclusion of 2017 marked the end of East-West's 5-year Ignite a Movement vision to multiply one million disciples. In those 5 years, we witnessed God move in miraculous ways among the unreached.

By His grace and the support of ministry partners—like you—many people are following Christ, being discipled, and bearing fruit for His Kingdom.

Disciples Made	1,280,598
Reached with the Gospel	120,414,255
Professions of Faith	9,369,983
Local Leaders Trained	837,223
New Churches Planted	135,333
Churches among reached people groups	57,808
Churches among unreached people groups	77,525
Annual Short-term missionaries	1,004
Long Term Missionaries	208
Church Partnerships	541
Prayer Partners	2,410

Statistics indicate reports from the field from January 2013–December 2017. Field statistics are collected quarterly by our missionaries, national partners and home office staff and are reviewed for accuracy by East-West leadership.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

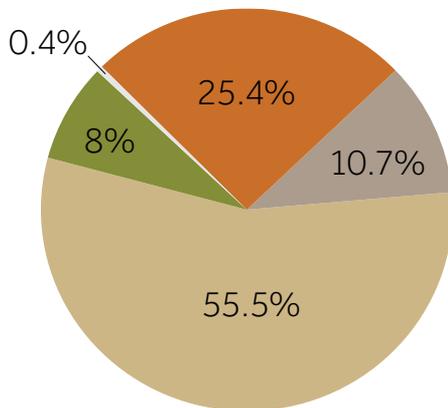
East-West Ministries is supported by the gifts of partners who share our passion for multiplying disciples in the spiritually darkest areas of the world.

As an organization following Jesus, we are convicted to steward well the resources we have been given to extend God's grace to those who've yet to hear of Jesus Christ's saving work on the cross.

In all of our communications, we strive to present the impact and the needs of these projects with accuracy and integrity. Because you are one of our financial partners, we wanted to share with you our financial highlights from 2017.

REVENUE

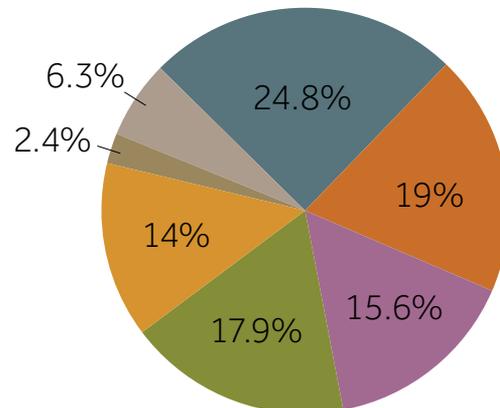
(October 1, 2016 – September 30, 2017)



General Fund	\$4,635,520	25.4%	
Short-Term Mission Trips	\$1,942,395	10.7%	
Missionary Support	\$10,129,590	55.5%	
Field Ministry	\$1,460,606	8%	
Others	\$67,462	0.4%	
Total Revenue	\$18,235,673	100%	

EXPENSES

(October 1, 2016 – September 30, 2017)



Evangelize	\$4,490,519	24.8%
Equip	\$3,441,764	19%
Multiply	\$2,812,050	15.6%
Mobilization	\$3,232,132	17.9%
General and Administration	\$2,528,136	14%
Missionary support-raising	\$436,890	2.4%
Fundraising	\$1,141,781	6.3%
Total Expenses	\$18,083,272	100%

ECFA MEMBERSHIP

East-West is a member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA). Membership in the ECFA is your assurance that East-West adheres to the highest standards of financial stewardship and ethical practices. For more information visit ecfa.org.

“And this gospel of
the kingdom will
be preached in the
whole world as a
testimony to all
nations, and then the
end will come.”

MATTHEW 24:14





GET INVOLVED IN 2018



PRAY

Partner with us in praying for the unreached and those ministering to them.



GIVE

Steward your resources for the expanse of God's Kingdom.



GO

Witness the gospel multiply by going on mission with us.

Visit www.eastwest.org/unreached to find out how you can be involved in the ministry of East-West in 2018.

The vision of East-West is to glorify God by multiplying followers of Jesus in the spiritually darkest areas of the world.

We exist to mobilize the Body of Christ to evangelize the lost and equip local believers to multiply disciples and healthy churches among unreached peoples and/or in restricted access communities.

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