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At Global Interaction we believe God's greatest gift is a life-changing experience of Jesus, and our heart is to see this gift embraced by people around the world.

There are still billions of people on planet Earth who have never had the chance to hear the name of Jesus, let alone his message of Life.

Of the 16,000 people groups in the world, more than 6,000 are considered unreached. Less than 1% of people in these groups are believers. They do not have access to the gospel due to cultural, linguistic, political or other barriers. That's an awful lot of people who haven't heard the Good News.

With deep compassion and cultural sensitivity, cross-cultural workers with Global Interaction are empowering communities to develop their own distinctive ways of following Jesus.

We believe that global mission should be the concern of every follower of Jesus. During May, many churches have a concentrated focus on global mission. As an Australian Baptist, we hope that you will take your involvement in global mission seriously. Please pray, please give, please go.

Keith Jobberns
General Director

Project Profile

Bible translation and teaching material



The team in Malawi is translating the Bible into the language and terminology used by the local people, and printing various scripture booklets. This is really exciting work, having God's Word translated into a language it hasn't been seen in before for people who have not read it before.

Fundraising target: \$35,750

A gift of \$325 will subsidise the printing of 100 Bible teaching booklets.

Project code: MLwh414

To support this and other projects go to www.globalinteraction.org.au

From the **State Director**



One part of my role is to journey with people as they listen to God and discern His call for them, often into cross-cultural service. I also have the privilege of working closely with churches in Queensland as they support and partner with those who are called overseas.

This is an enormous privilege, as candidates are linked with people in Australia who will become a source of inspiration and encouragement as they commence their cross-cultural placement

Right now I am excited to be journeying with one couple who have been seconded to us from the Baptist Churches of Mizoram. Mazuala and Esther, along with their little son Ruatpuia arrived in Queensland in March. They will be in Australia for about a year for partnership development and training. City Tabernacle Baptist Church has “adopted” them, caring for them while they’re in Australia and supporting them in their cross-cultural work in South East Asia.

It excites me when people so eagerly and willing follow God’s call to adventure.

Can you and your church partner with Mazuala and Esther, supporting them prayerfully and financially? Or do you know someone (perhaps even yourself) who can respond in a similar way and join our cross-cultural teams?

Geoff Cramb

State Director Queensland



What happens when people take the call of God seriously?

Young adult pastors and leaders who are searching for entertaining, informative and thought-provoking resources that will confront cultural norms, challenge the status quo, push the boundaries and provide some real ‘meat’ for young adult discipleship – **Calling Charlie** is what you’ve been looking for.

A new interactive DVD resource, with four sessions, designed for small groups, churches, young adult groups and individuals.

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Please Pray

We are dependent on God for all that we do, and prayer forms the foundation of our work. Each person who prays for the staff and ministry of Global Interaction is an important member of the Global Interaction family.

For weekly prayer updates email

hotline@globalinteraction.org.au

- Pray that the Holy Spirit will empower communities to develop their own distinctive ways of following Jesus.
- Ask God to raise up more people passionate about serving among unreached people groups.
- Pray for God's protection for all Global Interaction cross-cultural workers around the world: for safety in travel, good health, and positive relationships.

In our churches

There are a number of candidates and cross-cultural workers currently in Queensland who are keen to share their stories with you (some profiled below). Please contact your State Office to arrange a time for them to visit.



Mazuala and Esther

with Ruatpuia

South East Asia

Mazuala and Esther are seconded to Global Interaction from the Baptist Churches of Mizoram. They are in Australia for training and partnership development, making City Tabernacle their home. They will join the IB team in South East Asia.



Melody

South East Asia

Melody has previously been involved with Christian Surfers and she is taking her love of the sand and surf to the IS people of South East Asia. Melody goes to Coolool Baptist Church.



Ken & Veronica

Central Asia

Ken and Veronica are preparing to return to join the Global Interaction teaching team in Central Asia, where they have previously taught English at university. They have been part of the fellowship at Toowoomba Community Baptist Church for almost forty years.

