Developing a Culture of Missional Impact



A Guide to 2025-2026 at Triangle Grace Church

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WELCOME

In 2022-2023, Triangle Grace launched a long-term planning process which we called Vision 2030. We identified four areas in our community life that we committed to develop as we moved towards 2030 together. In 2023-2024 we focused on a *Culture of Invitation*. In 2024-2025 we highlighted a *Culture of Discipleship*. In the coming church year we will emphasize...

A Culture of Missional Impact

Here is how we summed up our desire to develop a culture of missional impact within our church family from the Vision 2030 report:

"By 2030, we want to foster a culture of missional impact in which Jesus' commandment is actualized among us to "go and make disciples of all nations." Beyond an invitation to participate in our church community, we desire to share Christ outside of our church campus locally and internationally to the glory of God and the benefit of those who might trust him with their lives. Our primary focus will be upon local and global educational opportunities, including theological and Bible-based training, though not at the exclusion of other forms of ministry such as compassion and relief opportunities. We will engage in relationship-driven partnerships in the gospel with those individuals and organizations with whom we do ministry. We will engage and challenge those who are part of our congregation to be mission-minded through our culture of invitation, community, and discipleship. We will provide multilevel entry opportunities into mission experiences with frequent cross-cultural local and global opportunities to grow in faith and go to the nations."

This booklet offers a guide to the coming year highlighting different ways we hope to develop a deeper sense of missional involvement outside of our church campus.

DEVELOP

There are five teaching points you will hear us refer to throughout the year when we consider how we might deepen our culture of missional impact. They are captured in the acronym WORLD:











Show hospitality to and build crosscultural relationships with the people God has brought to our doorstep.

Mobilize and facilitate God's people in taking strategic steps to engage in local and global outreach.

Go into our community, our country, and to the nations with the transforming power of the Gospel.

Understand God's perspective, local and global realities, and our respective roles in the Great Commission.

Commit to persistent prayer for the spiritually lost and to sending and supporting others called to go.

E-Teams

Encouragement Teams

We are asking each of our Triangle Grace intentional communities, whether it is a "Serve" group or a "Grow" group to commit to connecting with one of our outreach partners this year. In so doing your intentional community also becomes an E-Team (Encouragement Team).

What doe an E-Team do? You encourage your

- E-Teams create a bridge between our church and outreach organizations and missionaries we support who are serving on the mission field locally, nationally, and globally.
- E-Teams pro-actively reach out to their mission partners to receive updates about their ongoing work.
- E-Teams share news with the rest of the church about the work of their outreach partner when it is appropriate to do so.
- E-Teams regularly pray for their outreach partner when their intentional community gathers.
- E-Teams respond to needs which the outreach partner may raise if our church has the potential addressing issues that are raised.

If you are already in a TGC Intentional Community, which Outreach Partner do you plan to commit to?

See pages 12 & 13 for a list of those we support!

TGC Intentional Communities

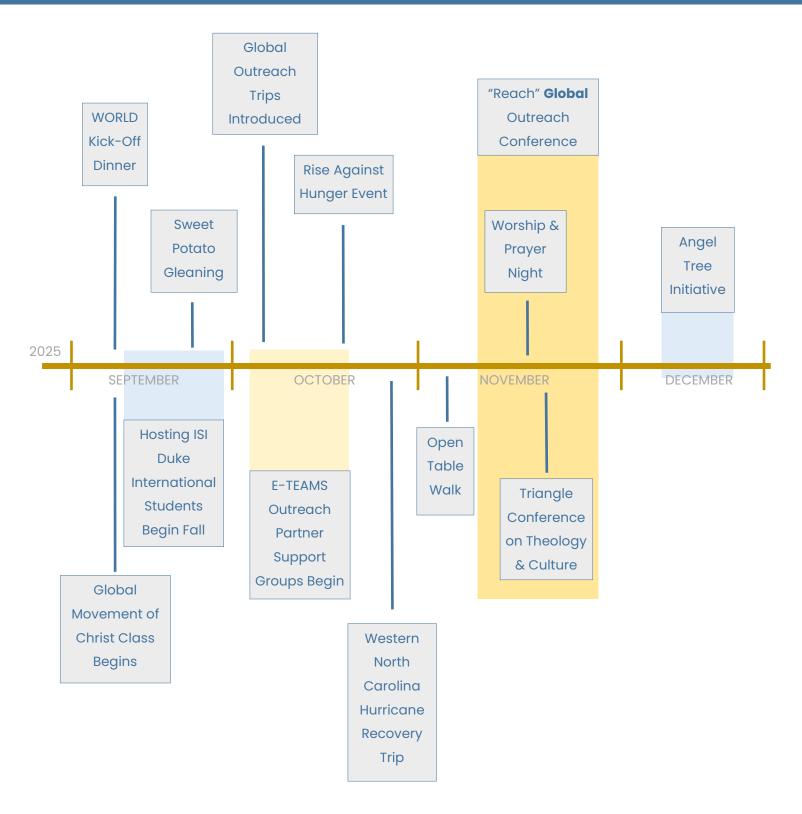
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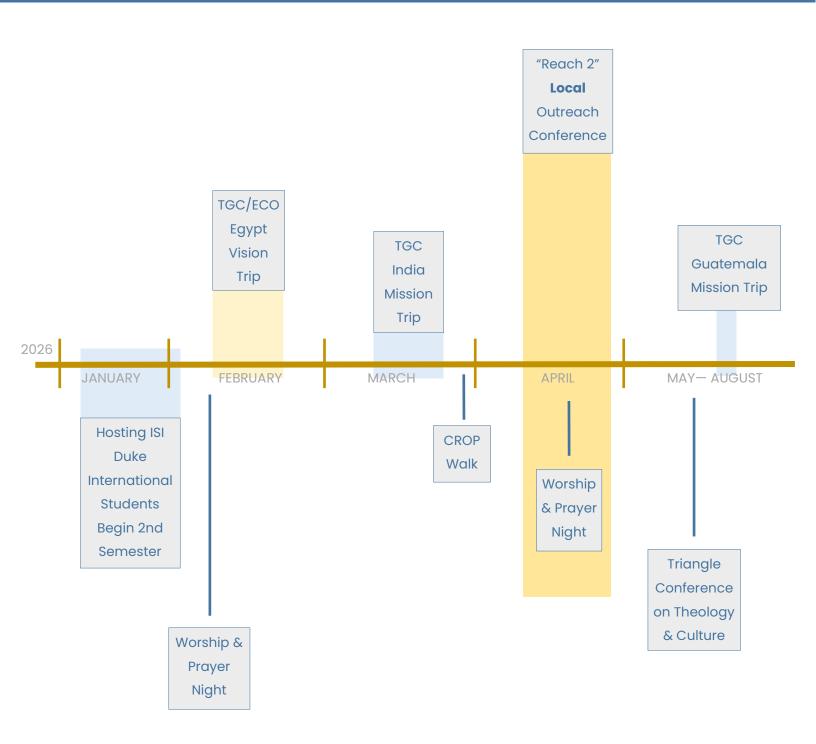
Congregational Care Team
Children's Ministry Team
Youth Ministry Leadership Team
Adult Education Team
Facilities Support Team
Welcome Team
Prayer Shawl Team
Music Team
Fellowship Team

GROW

Small Groups
Sunday Morning Adult Classes
Wednesday Night Bible Study
Youth Groups & Classes
Children's Groups & Classes
Seniors Group
Young Adults Group
Women's Ministry
Men's Ministry
Book Club

TIMELINE





GLOBAL MOVEMENT OF CHRIST CLASS



Rich and Lisa Lamb will lead a class throughout the fall that will be an engaging, immersive experience exploring the nature of our call to global outreach. They will offer a scriptural perspective on world missions, walk through the global outreach movement from the early church through the

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centuries, and highlight the fact that missions is something in which everyone can participate at any age, from any place, and in any vocation. If you have never had time to think deeply about global outreach and world missions, this weekly gathering is a must every Sunday morning at 9 am!

RISE AGAINST HUNGER

Rise Against Hunger works in countries worldwide to fight hunger, targeting communities facing high rates of food insecurity. They provide volunteer-packaged meals and other assistance, often through school



feeding programs, to support nutrition, education and health for children and families facing hunger right now. Rise Against Hunger also partners with local leaders to implement sustainable agriculture and income-generating projects that support long-term solutions to food security and empower communities to become self-reliant and thrive.

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OCT 11

TGC's Community Rise Against Hunger campaign, will be held on October 11 from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm in the Family Life Center. Donations will purchase meals that will be packaged at the event. We will partner with other local churches to pack as many meals as we can purchase. Each meal kit feeds 6 people and costs \$0.42. We would like to purchase as many meals as we can and your donations can help us make a difference! Let's help kids around the world be well fed and ready to make a difference in their communities. To help raise funds for this event go to our online giving portal or make checks out to TGC and earmark donation to "Rise Against Hunger." We invite you to participate on October 11 packing meals! Please be sure to sign up through our E-News for this event!

PRAYER & WORSHIP NIGHTS

We are committing three nights in the coming church year to corporately pray for our partner outreach organizations. A prayer and worship night will open our Global Outreach Conference on November 7. We will use our Ash Wednesday gathering as a time for prayer, worship, and renewal in the world as we welcome the season of Lent on February 18. And a spring night of Prayer and Worship will take place in conjunction with

our Local Outreach Conference on April 24. These will be high

octane nights of singing with focused prayer asking Christ to NOV 7 protect, and provide for and to use the lives of those we support throughout the world to make his name known. **FEB 18 APR 24**

"REACH" GLOBAL OUTREACH

CONFERENCE

We are dedicating a week to deepen our connection to our Global Outreach Partners in the month of November. Many of those we support will be among us from November 7-16 so that we can receive in person updates about the work in which we are involved as a church throughout the world. There will be many exciting events that unfold. Plan to be in town and join us!



Christopher Hays

Christopher Hays joined Scholar Leaders as President in 2022 after serving as a missionary and professor of New Testament at the Biblical Seminary of Colombia in Medellín. He holds degrees from Wheaton and Oxford. His most recent book in English is *Eight Million Exiles*. He and his wife Michelle have three children and live in North Carolina.



Casely Essamuah

Casely Essamuah is the Secretary of the Global Christian Forum which promotes space for prayer and discussion among Christian organizations and denominations around the world. Casely holds degrees from the University of Ghana, Boston University, and Harvard School of Divinity and has served on multiple church staffs as a Minister of Missions.

NOV 7-16

Friday Nov 7

Prayer & Worship Night for Global Outreach

Sunday Nov 9

Chistopher Hays, Scholar Leaders

Monday Nov 10 -Thursday Nov 13

Global Outreach Partners Meet with TGC Intentional Communities

Friday Nov 14—Saturday Nov 15

Triangle Conference on Theology and Culture: Complexities & Opportunities for Global Outreach in the 21st Century

Sunday Nov 16

Casely Essamuah, Global Christian Forum & a unique missions experience during the CE hour.

Keep Your Eyes out for "REACH 2" our '26 Spring Conference focused on Local Outreach Initiatives...

TRIPS

On **October 5** after our worship service we will present information on the following four trips sponsored by Triangle Grace Church.

Western, NC - October '25

Join an overnight trip at the end of October to provide continued relief and assistance for those affected by Hurricane Helene. The Media has moved on, but those who stay in contact with this area of our state know that years of work are ahead to recover from this devastating event.



This will be a Vision Trip partnered with our denomination, ECO, and the Presbytery of the Nile, a large denomination in Egypt.

Rather than hands-on work projects, this trip will expose you to the movement of God in this region of the world while exploring a potential future partnership for Triangle Grace with an Egyptian church and seminary.



India - March '26

Travel with Rich and Lisa Lamb to India in conjunction with our Scholar Leader friends Mary Vaiphei and Jochuyi Thyu and live among a culture where Christ is not well known.

Serve in partnership with Rich and Lisa as they provide instruction for church leaders and participate in work projects as needs present.

Guatemala July '26

Throughout this year we have hosted Dayrin Cardona, a Scholar Leader graduate student at Duke Divinity. Dayrin is from Guatemala. She has invited us to join her to travel to her home country. In Guatemala we will serve in Guatemala City at the seminary in which Dayrin teaches working on their facilities and interacting with a local Guatemalan church. This trip is open to all ages!

GLOBAL OUTREACH PARTNERS

Arab Baptist Theological Seminary



Dustin & Sherri Ellington Lebanon

Console Mission



Nepal

Family Health Ministries



Haiti

Haiti Outreach Ministries



Leon Dorleans Haiti

Haiti Reforestation Partnership



Haiti

Hope International



Multiple Locations

International
Students Inc. (ISI)



Duke University

Mesa Global



Raleigh, NC

McGilvary College of Divinity



Ellen & Andy Collins Thailand

Rich & Lisa Lamb



India & Malaysia

Scholar Leaders



Multiple Locations

Staff of Hope



Kenya

Woody & Mary McLendon



Democratic Republic of Congo

World Relief



Durham, NC

Young Life



Danny & Ann Sharpe Central America

LOCAL OUTREACH PARTNERS



Alcoholics Anonymous



Crop Walk



DivorceCare & GriefShare



Durham Rescue Mission



Emmanuel Iglesia Food Pantry



Gideons International



Fayetteville Street Elementary School



Duke/UNC Campus Ministries, Ron Kanour



Housing for New Hope



Open Table Ministries



Pregnancy Support Services



TGC Home School Initiative



Triangle Grace Preschool



Triangle Conference on Theology & Culture



Triangle Disability & Making Connections

RESOURCES

Below are recommended resources for personal reading, research, and small group curriculum for the coming year.

BOOKS

Christian Mission: A Concise Global History, Edward L. Smither

From Jerusalem to Irian Jaya, Ruth Tucker

Gaining by Losing - J.D. Greear

Invitation to Missions A Trinitarian Missiology for the 21st Century, Tim Tennent

Let the Nations Be Glad, John Piper

The New Global Mission, Samuel Escobar

When Helping Hurts - Brian Fikkert and Steve Corbett

World Mission: Theology, Strategy, and Current Issues by Scott N. Callaham and Will Brooks

INTERNET & APPS



Operation World APP



World Prayer APP



Unreached of the Day APP



www.lausanne.org/report

▶ YouTube You Tube Videos:

Would You Go? | A Christian Missions Documentary

Matt Papa: The Reward of His Suffering

SMALL GROUP CURRICULUM

Find these on Right Now Media

A Vision for the Global Church - Francis Chan, Kwasi Amoafo, Jorge Salazar, Chadwick Mohan, and Anne Zaki

Scatter the Seed - Kevin Freeman

Mission in Motion - Claude Hickman and Todd Ahrend

CALL TO COMMIT

Our challenge for each person who calls Triangle Grace Church their home and family is **PLUS 1**! What is at least one aspect of our culture of missional impact that can develop in your life this coming year? Name it and add that one component into your life in the coming year. Here are a few ideas...



- Commit to attend the Global Movement of Christ Class
- Commit to attend the Prayer and Worship Nights
- Commit to attend TCTC
- Commit to pray for a specific missionary or partner organization in the coming year individually or in your Intentional Community
- Commit to increased giving to TGC that we may give more to our global and local missions partners
- Commit to studying aspects of missional impact in your small group
- Commit to participating in one of our four missional impact trips planned for this summer
- Commit to hosting an ISI student this year for 3 meals in your home
- Commit to serving with one of our local outreach partners this year at least once
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- Commit to participating in the Rise Against Hunger event



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