



Left: Julie Hui and Erika Pacheco with some Thai young people. Right: Milton Pacheco (at the keyboard) with some Thai guitarists.

Thank Offering: Chiang Rai Community Center

Members of our international team of missionaries from China, Hong Kong, Honduras, and the United States have been building relationships through art, music, English, and Chinese language classes. Already they have developed relationships with local Thai neighbors, establishing trust and gaining opportunities to share the Gospel so that disciples are made and churches are planted.

In 2015, we purchased property in a busy middle-class neighborhood, and before the end of 2018 construction will begin on a three-story community center. This space will provide opportunity for the team to reach a broader audience, and the space to expand their outreach activities.

Our Hong Kong partners have raised their half of the construction costs. UB Global has \$58,500 left to complete our commitment. We're asking our partners in Canada and the United States to help us raise the entire amount needed through this year's Thanksgiving Missions Offering.

If you would like to send a gift to us directly, just indicate that it is for "Thank Offering – Thailand."

English Camp in Poland

Michelle Harris
Associate Director, UB Global



In June, 14 youth and adults representing five UB churches from Canada and the US shared the love of Christ through an English camp for teens in Kutno, Poland. Endorsed missionaries Arek and

Donna Delik work at the only evangelical church in Kutno. The camp, which has been held since 2005, is done in partnership with the church.

Coordinating a multi-site team to plan and develop materials is no easy task. Sharon McDonald, from Corunna UB (Corunna, Ind.) and Patsy Harris from Hopewell UB (Auburn, Ind.), had served on this trip many times, and led us in the preparation. Our Canadian team members made the seven-hour drive to Indiana to spend a weekend together as a team in April. When Kim Vandervoet fell ill and was unable to travel, her Canadian team members brought the suitcases she had filled with camp materials.

So, what happened during the camp?

The team stepped out and served. Our five young people worked hard—leading groups, assisting in classes, and offering friendship. All of us had to tweak our plans when they didn't work. We ate a lot of ice cream, lody, and played some pretty intense games of Mafia at night. We even learned a little Polish along the way.

At the English Camp in Poland.





New Endorsed Missionaries

Scott and Noel Hardaway are preparing to work among an unreached language group in Papua New Guinea with Finisterre Vision. They will learn the tribal language, develop a literacy program, translate the Bible, and plant a church. Scott was a UB pastor in Michigan for 12 years. He currently holds his ministerial license with the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, USA, as an unassigned minister.



Steve and Amanda Taylor support missionary families and students through their work at Rift Valley Academy in Kenya. Sent through African Inland Mission, Steve teaches music and leadership, and Amanda serves as a nurse. They are from the Jerusalem Chapel UB church in Churchville, Va.



Kurt and Bekah Siegel serve with Resourcing Christian Education International in Saint Petersburg, Russia. They are teachers at the International Academy of Saint Petersburg. Kurt is the son of Debbie and John Siegel, who serve in Saint Petersburg with Wycliffe.

The Polish youth, ages 11-18, played, sang, listened, and spoke. They were loved and prayed for. They heard the Gospel and saw it lived out. Many came back in the afternoon for games, crafts, and conversation.

One young man wept as guys on our team prayed for him. Another met with Arek, brought his grandparents to the church picnic on Saturday, and came to church. There are other stories, and we know the work of the Spirit is sometimes visible, sometimes hidden.

This isn't an easy trip. A lot of planning goes into an English Camp, and our days were full. We asked a lot of each team member. But the fruit of doing ministry alongside a church where we bless both the church and the community is well worth it.

VBS in Macau

A group of seven youth and adults from College Park UB (Huntington, Ind.), along with David and Melissa Kline, spent almost a year preparing for a trip to Asia. But two months before the July 2018 travel date, the location needed to be changed.

So, David reached out to Jen Blandin, the UB Global team leader in Macau, to see if the group could come there. David and Melissa had served nine years in Macau.

It had been many years since a short-term team had visited Macau, and in the past, there had been a large staff to take care of the team. But details came together, and in July, the nine-person team traveled to Macau.

They led VBS at Living Stone church, one of two UB churches in Macau. The ministry was simple, but God brought deep encouragement in some surprising ways.

- Two teenage girls stayed with a single

mom with two children. Through their engagement with family life, the mom was encouraged in her parenting.

- The English camp met a community need, and church members were inspired. Three ladies at the church had their perspective broadened as to what is possible, and have started to consider ways to continue broadening the perspective of the young people they meet with regularly.

- Two of the ladies have also asked when the English Bible Study will restart, because



The Glunts with newborn Madeline Rose.

Congratulations to the Glunt family on the August 28 birth of Madeline Rose, in Thailand. Brian and Rachel Glunt and family are UB Global missionaries in Chiang Rai.

Congratulations to Nichie Parish on her recent marriage to Chris Stonall. Nichie is from the McCallum UB church in Delton, Mich. She joined the UB Global staff in 2014, and has been serving with Impact Africa in Johannesburg, South Africa. Chris is a native of Johannesburg, and is self-employed.



they want to join.

Though there was plenty of cross-cultural learning and adapting, the team found that sometimes just being themselves, like enthusiastic singing by the worship leader, L.J., blesses as people see service flow through love.

Pray for Nicaragua

Despite repeated attempts to negotiate a solution, Nicaragua remains mired in civil unrest that began in mid-April. Under the leadership of Superintendent Armando Lopez, our pastors and church members have sought to remain neutral. UB Global has been able to send some funds, which they've used to provide basic food supplies to the most needy, as stores and marketplaces remained closed.

Please join us on Sunday, October 14, in uniting our prayers for Nicaragua. Pray for:

1. Peaceful resolution of the current conflict between President Daniel Ortega and the citizens protesting his government and calling for new elections.
2. Protection for those involved in street protests, and for the innocent bystanders.
3. Superintendent Lopez and our UB members, as they attempt to care for those most affected by the closure of stores, businesses, and schools.

Hannah Barrett

Hannah Barrett joined the UB Global staff this summer. In mid-August, she arrived in Thailand to begin one year teaching at Chiang Rai International Christian School (CRICS). Hannah graduated in May 2018 from Huntington University, with a degree in Elementary Education with a TESOL certification. She joins the international team of nine UBs already serving in Chiang Rai.



Hannah Barrett

CRICS keeps its tuition very affordable so that locals and missionary children can attend. All teachers raise their own support. Hannah has already been to CRICS twice—once on a January Term trip and another for student teaching.

Hannah is part of UB Global's Jump Start program, which provides a streamlined process for recent graduates to serve on a United Brethren field for a short period (1-2 years) and discern God's longer-term calling.

If you are interested in learning more about Hannah's ministry or supporting her, contact UB Global at info@ub.org.

Deaths in the Family

Dwight Kuntz

On the evening of July 27, 2018, Dwight Kuntz, 72, went to meet his Savior. He had been hospitalized since July 2, when health problems forced him to return from Jamaica.

Dwight, a United Brethren minister ordained in 1982, was a member of Living Grace Community Church (formerly Union Chapel UB church) in Fort Wayne, Ind. Since 2012, he and his wife of 47 years, Patti, had been spending part of the year in Jamaica as UB Global missionaries, serving as liaisons with work teams from North America.

Neal Brinneman

Richard Neal Brinneman, 83, a long-time United Brethren endorsed missionary, passed away Saturday, May 26, 2018, after several days in hospice care.

Neal, a 1957 Huntington University graduate, spent 1966-1969 as a teacher and principal at Bumpe High School in Sierra Leone. In 1970 he joined Wycliffe Bible Translators and went to Togo to begin translating the Bible into the Lama language spoken by 200,000 people in West Africa.

Meanwhile Carol, also an HU graduate, joined Wycliffe in 1970 and ended up

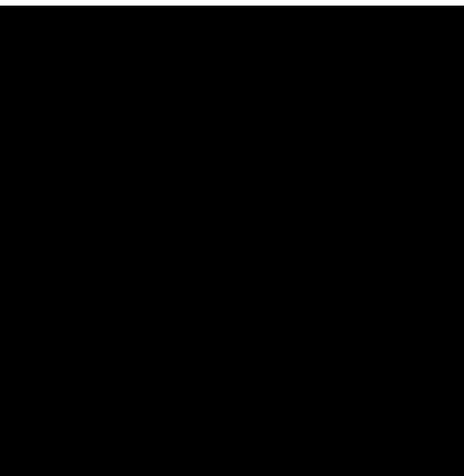
spending seven years translating the Bible for the Godie people in Ivory Coast, a West African country to the west of Togo.

Neal and Carol were married in 1979 in Ivory Coast, and worked together in Togo. They helped complete the Lama New Testament in 1994, and then moved to North Carolina to work with JAARS, the aviation and technical support service of Wycliffe. Neal helped translators with computer and software needs, while Carol was a talented writer and editor. At 83 years old, Neal had still not retired from Wycliffe.

Carol Fiedler

Carol Fiedler, 79, former UB missionary in Sierra Leone, passed away August 17, 2018. She and her husband of 60 years, Phil, served at Matru in Sierra Leone 1974-1980, and returned in the early 1990s to serve at Sierra Leone Bible College.

In May 1994, with the rebel war escalating, the UB Board of Missions decided to completely nationalize all work in Sierra Leone and withdraw all remaining missionaries by the end of 1994. Phil and Carol, along with nurse Sarah Banter, were the last UB missionaries to leave, departing together in December 1994. The Fiedlers have been living in Olive Branch, Mississippi.



Honduras Conference Financial Woes

For several years, Honduras Conference has been struggling with serious financial issues focused around the Bethel Institute in La Ceiba, a school begun during the 1970s. The school faces a \$1.4 million debt.

The conference board voted to sell the school, and talks have begun with potential buyers. The sale will cover an estimated 70% of the total debt, which includes unpaid salaries, delinquent pension payments, and loans.

In addition, the bank had threatened to start foreclosure proceedings. However, just in time, the conference secured funds to cover part of the interest on the loan. However, funds will be needed for upcoming payments. They need about \$13,000 to bring payments up to date.

Please keep Honduras Conference in your prayers as they wrestle with these daunting issues. Pray especially for our national leader, Rev. Gonzalo Alas, who is seeking to guide the conference out of this situation while continuing to encourage pastors

and churches in their local ministries. These financial issues distract from his passion of church planting, and also affect the conference's ability to support their missionaries, Milton and Erika Pacheco, who are serving in Chiang Rai, Thailand.



The UB Global PrayerMate feed is up and running. PrayerMate is a free app for iOS and Android which brings all your prayer points together, whether for friends and family, or organizations like UB Global. It's been shortlisted for the Christian New Media Awards several times. For instructions, go to: ubglobal.org/prayermate



Baptism in Macau

Jen Blandin shares encouraging news from Macau. They have begun holding bi-weekly meetings on opposite sides of the bridges which link Macau to Taipa Island. They have been working through Greg Ogden's "Discipleship Essentials."

As a result, Helen, one of the participants, was recently baptized. Jen shares in her most recent newsletter, "As I reflect on

the [baptism] day, I realize it was a group effort. The body of Christ coming together, offering what they could to encourage and celebrate with a member who was taking another step in her faith journey. Praise God!"

Short Term Trips

January-March 2019: Sierra Leone Medical and Construction Trips

In 2017 and 2018, solar power and a water purification business were set up at the hospital. At the same time, a two-year medical team has worked alongside hospital staff. Short-term teams assist in providing medical care, helping with renovations, and encouraging the staff. Teams are still coming together for early 2019:

Construction. A new roof with a steeper slope is being designed as a part of much-needed maternity ward renovations. One or two teams will be needed to weld and build. Medical personnel may join the team.

Medical and Dental. This team will provide dental care, which is not otherwise available in the area, and assist with hospital medical needs. The team is currently full.

Trip leaders: Ray Proud/Ron Baker.

Cost: Approximately \$1000 plus airfare.

For more information: contact Michelle Harris at michelle@ub.org.

January 10-20: Thailand Vision Trip

A team comprised of individuals from nine churches will travel to Chiang Rai, Thailand. Their mission is to learn about the Gospel need among the largely unreached people group of ethnic Thai, what God is doing already in the region, and how their churches can take part in strengthening that effort. Pray for a clear sense of vision and the Spirit's leading during this trip.

January 19-27: India Vision Trip

The team will visit our ministries in Narsapur, meet with local ministry partners, and visit our orphanage, hospitals, and communities that have been impacted by AIDS and leprosy. They will do English activities in a local school, and crafts and activities with children in our two sponsorship programs, Project Compassion and the Beautiful Family.

On the way out of the country, they will visit the city of Hyderabad, attend a local church, and see some historic sights.

Cost: \$1200 for lodging, meals, and expenses. Airfare is estimated at about \$1700.

June 2019: Teaching English in Lebanon

Interested in teaching English in Leba-



Two Churches Combine Forces to Minister in Mexico

Mount Pleasant (Chambersburg, Pa.) and College Park (Huntington, Ind.) sent a joint ministry team to serve the United Brethren of Mexico. The team was able to work with four churches in the Queretero area under the direction of Bishop Denis and Reina Casco. They worked with local church members to pour concrete, paint, and do children's ministry in three of the four churches. Bobby Culler of Mount Pleasant and Dawn Chesterman of College Park co-led the team. Bobby says another trip is being planned for June 7-16, 2019. Contact him at (717) 264-8414 for more information.

non to Syrian refugees in June 2019? UB Global is working with a church in the Bekaa Valley to provide a month of English education to youth and adults living in camps near the Syrian border. Cost: \$4000 (includes airfare, lodging, meals, and transportation). For more information, contact David Kline at david@ub.org.

IGNITE

UB Global has conducted IGNITE conferences in Ontario, Michigan, and Ohio. Our most challenging event took place in Kitchener under a severe ice warning. Mind you, it didn't stop the attendees who came out in record numbers.

IGNITE is a one-day regional missions conference featuring presentations, workshops, prayer time, and conversations that help participants walk away with a deeper love for God and his mission around the world.

We will be setting dates for IGNITE events in the Bronx, N.Y., and Columbus, Ohio, so keep watching for details.

UB Global | Leaving a Financial Legacy

A bequest is a gift of stocks, bonds, or any other assets to beneficiaries through a will. Beneficiaries may be people, or charities such as UB Global. What you do with your estate is a final reflection of your life and faith.

A bequest to UB Global shows your confidence that God will continue to use the United Brethren to spread the Gospel for years to come.

New Brochures

Two new UB Global brochures will be sent out this fall covering the many opportunities for engaging as goers, senders, and givers. These replace all past brochures, so please discard any old brochures still in your literature racks.

Help Wanted

We need more medical doctors at Mattru Hospital in Sierra Leone. The 65-bed hospital is located in a remote community in the southern part of the country. If you or someone you know might be interested, contact Michelle Harris at michelle@ub.org. New personnel could start as early as March 2019.

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