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re: International Ministries - Letter of Congratulations - 210 years

Dear Friends,

The work of mission, of evangelism, of sharing the Gospel is a tireless work.

It takes Christians of great faith, courage and perseverance to do it.

It requires tenacity.

It requires patience.

It requires wisdom and discernment.

It requires boldness.

It requires evolving hermeneutics and a grasp of language.

It requires moments of listening and moments of talking.

It requires a deepening walk with Christ.

It requires a love and care for all humankind.

It is a subversive work void of public authority or even public respect.

It is a servant-hearted work.

Its primary location is in and through the local church.

Excitedly the mission is the Missio Dei.

Two hundred and ten years later Growing Healthy Churches is thankful for the many International Ministries missionaries and global servants who embody these characteristics and have committed their lives to the work of mission, evangelism and of sharing the Gospel.

While much can be said about the past.

While many names could be mentioned.

While work and results could be highlighted that demonstrate the work of the Gospel done globally through International Ministries, Growing Healthy Churches tries to always be looking ahead to what comes next.

What excites us about our ongoing partnership with International Ministries is that it is centered on Christ and His Gospel.

International Ministries, like Growing Healthy Churches, believes strongly in evangelism, in making a verbal witness to and for Christ.



International Ministries, like Growing Healthy Churches, is Christ-centered, Biblically-directed, and Spirit-empowered.

And International Ministries like Growing Healthy Churches, sees the local church as the primary catalyst in the Kingdom of God.

Working together we are seeking to strengthen local churches in the work of mission.

To see local churches renewed.

To see more churches started.

To see International Ministries Global Servants working within local/global churches to keep sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Keeping the Missio Dei the main thing.

For the past 210 years of faithful and fruitful witness we give God so much praise and thanksgiving. For the faithfulness of International Ministries in staying true to the Gospel - we thank God for such.

For the next many years, we turn and ask God to keep International Ministries focused and featured around the Gospel and seeing people reached for Christ and His Kingdom.

We pray that together, International Ministries and Growing Healthy Churches, will push onwards for the cause of Christ and the Gospel.

That we both will keep Christ and His Kingdom at the heart of all we do and say.

May we both know the name of our Lord Jesus being glorified in and through our partnership.

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