

Your IMPACT

2021 STATE OF MINISTRY



HAGGAI
INTERNATIONAL



THE REALITY

2.2

BILLION PEOPLE
have never heard the

Gospel



THE DRIVE

OUR VISION IS SIMPLE

Our vision is to see every nation redeemed and transformed through the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

OUR MISSION IS UNIQUE

To equip and inspire strategically positioned leaders to more effectively demonstrate and present the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to prepare others to do the same.

OUR APPROACH IS STRATEGIC

We believe that strategically positioned, influential leaders are catalysts for local people experiencing life change, community transformation, and nations being redeemed. We also believe that leaders need equipping and encouraging to achieve exponential impact and sustainable momentum.

OUR MODEL IS CATALYTIC

We select, equip, multiply, and encourage difference makers all across the globe. We have equipped over 125,499 strategically positioned leaders in 189 nations who are committed to ending Gospel poverty.

GOSPEL POVERTY EXISTS WHEREVER PEOPLE ARE DEPRIVED OF HEARING ABOUT JESUS.

WITH ONE OUT OF FOUR PEOPLE HAVING NEVER HEARD THE GOSPEL, WE BELIEVE THAT GOSPEL POVERTY IS ONE OF THE GREATEST INJUSTICES IN THE WORLD TODAY.

THE FUTURE

We celebrate over 52 years of God's faithfulness and are now pressing forward with an aggressive goal to equip more than one million leaders over the next 10 years.

Now more than ever we are driven to multiply our network of

ONE MILLION

LEADERS EQUIPPED OVER THE NEXT 10 YEARS.

125,000+

LEADERS WORKING TO END GOSPEL POVERTY.

The mission is too great and the task too big not to do whatever it takes to end Gospel poverty.

Greetings

KEEP LOOKING UP

My heart is full of gratitude for so many reasons as I look back on an amazing year of ministry for Haggai International.

It was a year like no other that brought what appeared to be insurmountable challenges, while opening doors of opportunity that before the pandemic, simply did not exist! Only God the Creator, our sovereign God, could make a way in this disrupted world for our good and His glory! And He did!

I continue to carry in my heart the Scripture God gave me in the early weeks of the pandemic, Hebrews 12:1-2:

*Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance **the race that is set before us**, looking to*

Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

I found a note in Dr. Haggai's Bible written just above this verse. It said, "not the race that I choose, but . . ." and an arrow was drawn down to the underlined Scripture, "*the race set before us*." Not the race that I choose, but the race set before us!

Our Haggai leaders did just that! They looked with compassion on their worlds that had been turned upside down and immediately started meeting the needs of those around them: organizing meals, providing shelter, creating virtual worship services, conducting Zoom calls with anxious business leaders, and mobilizing teams of people to join them. They were not only able to demonstrate the love of Jesus, but to share the Gospel with those who were seeking hope when their worlds were full of fear and uncertainty.

What about equipping leaders? After all, it IS the mission of Haggai International! God had already prepared the way through a digital learning initiative started in 2019, along with a curriculum revision suited to a virtual environment. With Hawaii completely locked down, our equipping team quickly developed and designed the Virtual Haggai Leader Experience, and four pilots were conducted August 2020 through January 2021.

As we evaluate the effectiveness of this program, every indication is that it may be even more impactful than the traditional Haggai Leader Experience. Leaders can immediately apply what they learn from week to week! While we will return as soon as possible to in-person equipping, we praise God for making a way when that was not possible.

Finally, I am grateful for the life of John Edmund Haggai! God set the race before him to equip influential leaders who would reach their nations with the powerful Gospel of

Jesus Christ. He was a man of great faith who was unconditionally obedient to God in living out the vision God gave him to reach the world with the Gospel. He persevered when most of us would have "thrown in the towel." That race belongs to us now! While I miss him greatly, I rejoice that he is among the great cloud of witnesses cheering us on to reach the world that God so loves with the Good News of the Gospel!

Thank you for your partnership in ending Gospel poverty!

I close with the words of Dr. Haggai . . .

Keep Looking Up,



Bev Upton Williams

Dr. Bev Upton Williams
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

A RACE WELL RUN

DR. JOHN EDMUND HAGGAI

After many years on the revival circuit as one of America's most-sought preachers, Dr. John Edmund Haggai, in the late 1960s, seemed to vanish from public view. "Whatever became of John Haggai?" many asked during that period. We know the answer! After knowing public acclaim, impressive platforms, pulpits, and bright spotlights, Dr. Haggai's journey turned to a focus on pursuing a God-given vision that would forever change the trajectory of global missions. It was a journey that led to creating the largest missions force in the world; he would run this race all the days of his life.

Never content to follow the crowd, Dr. Haggai initiated a unique and forward-thinking strategy in obedience to the Great Commission. A visit to Asia in the early 1960s convinced Dr. Haggai that changes in global geopolitics, brought about by the end of colonialism, required a new strategy for global missions. In 1969, after years of research, prayer, and development, he presided over

the first Haggai Leader Experience, designed to empower and mobilize nationals to reach their own people for Christ, demonstrating and presenting the Gospel across the developing world.

Fifty-two years later, Haggai International has empowered and mobilized over 125,000 influential leaders working in almost all the non-Western countries of the world. These difference makers multiply their effectiveness by passing on the skills they learn to an average of 242 other leaders.

Dr. Haggai, though a profound thinker and scholar, did not seclude himself in cloisters, but was continually compelled to be out in the fields "white unto harvest." Nor was he whisked in and out of places



where he ministered and spoke, avoiding interaction, but lingered, and engaged with people, offering them hope from the wellspring of a life that had learned to drink from the deep waters of God's promises and joy. In his lifetime, he made 104 trips around the world, the last one when he was in his 90s.

In one such trip, Dr. Haggai was asked the question, "What do you hope your legacy will be?" He reflected for a moment and said, "My legacy will be the leaders like you who are reaching your nations for Christ. My vision and the vision of Haggai International — to ensure everyone has the opportunity to hear the Gospel — will be realized through Haggai leaders. The Gospel work you are doing is my legacy!"

When Dr. Haggai went to be with Jesus in November of 2020, family, friends, and collaborators in the Gospel from across the globe gathered in person and online to celebrate the life of a man who clearly discerned the race that God set before him. He obeyed and ran that race with faithfulness, focus, and total faith in the One who gave him the vision to reach the whole world with the whole Gospel. Today, as we look back on one of the most challenging and pivotal years in the world, we rejoice knowing that John Edmund Haggai has joined the "great cloud of witnesses" cheering all of us on in our race of ending Gospel poverty in the world. It is now *our* race. Let us run with endurance, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith. The eternal destiny of the Gospel poor is in our hands!

SINCE 1969

1979

1989

1999

2009

2019

IN 2021

THE HAGGAI LEADER EXPERIENCE

2,942

HAGGAI LEADERS WERE EQUIPPED FROM

92

NATIONS &
TERRITORIES

125,499

HAGGAI LEADERS HAVE BEEN EQUIPPED

THERE ARE ...

504

HAGGAI ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS
AROUND THE WORLD

189

NATIONS & TERRITORIES
WHERE HAGGAI LEADERS SERVE

25%

OF HAGGAI LEADERS
LIVE IN THE
MOST DANGEROUS COUNTRIES
FOR CHRISTIANS

DATA PULLED FROM OPEN DOORS USA'S 2021 WORLD WATCH LIST.

The stats represented above are based on our 2021 fiscal year, which runs from April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021.



- During the pandemic, Haggai leader and dentist Dr. John Katamba Kimbe of Uganda rejuvenated WhatsApp groups he'd previously begun, set up Zoom meetings, and held more equipping sessions, all to continue his passion to reach young people with the Gospel.
- Ambassador and Haggai leader Ndiyo Muliwana Mutiti in Zambia sees her vocation as a mission field.
- Haggai leader Judicaël Anicet Liade of Abidjan, Ivory Coast, baptizes a new believer.

PORTRAITS OF IMPACT



- At the beginning of the pandemic in the Philippines, Haggai leader and corporate education consultant Mae Young and her friends organized meals for one emergency room. They've since grown to serve 264,092 meals across 45 hospitals.
- Haggai leader Marcela Bakir Lechin in Bolivia works with Compassion International to aid kids in poverty.



- Haggai leader Dr. Victor Segura & his team in El Salvador.
- Many lost their means of livelihood in India when the COVID-19 lockdowns began, so Haggai leader Georgi Zachariah started a ministry to provide daily food for those who needed it most.
- Haggai leader Hajason Randriatsara, a civil servant in Madagascar's Ministry of Economy and Finance, has a heart for the poor in his country, who he says are becoming more and more impoverished.



- Haggai leader Miguel Ángel Cantú González is a prominent businessman in Mexico. He helped launch a Virtual Haggai Leader Experience in his country during the pandemic.
- Haggai leader in Mongolia Byambasaikhan Purevsuren gave an interview on using a Christian curriculum to homeschool her disabled child. God used the lockdown and closed schools to make the interview go viral, and she now has a Facebook group of 900+ members who are learning from her. She's also been asked to serve as advisor to Bayarsaikhan Baljinnyam, the first woman in the Mongolian parliament.



- Haggai leader Bishop Matthew Hassan Kukah with Pope Francis. Bishop Kukah is based in Nigeria and works to hold the government to higher standards.
- Haggai leader Dr. Victor Segura and his team in El Salvador created a computer system that allowed virtual monitoring of COVID-19 patients and quickly detected the most serious cases. The El Salvadorian government implemented their strategy on a larger scale at El Hospital El Salvador, requesting Dr. Victor's team command the operation of the new hospital.



- Haggai leader Cruz Paniagua in Ecuador helped establish home churches and online communities during the pandemic. His ministry and partnerships have reached 155,774 people, 10,821 of whom have accepted Jesus.

NUMBERS BY NATION



Latin
AMERICA

Total number of leaders equipped per nation/territory during the fiscal year. Despite the pandemic, through virtual equipping we maintained the number of countries in which we have a presence.

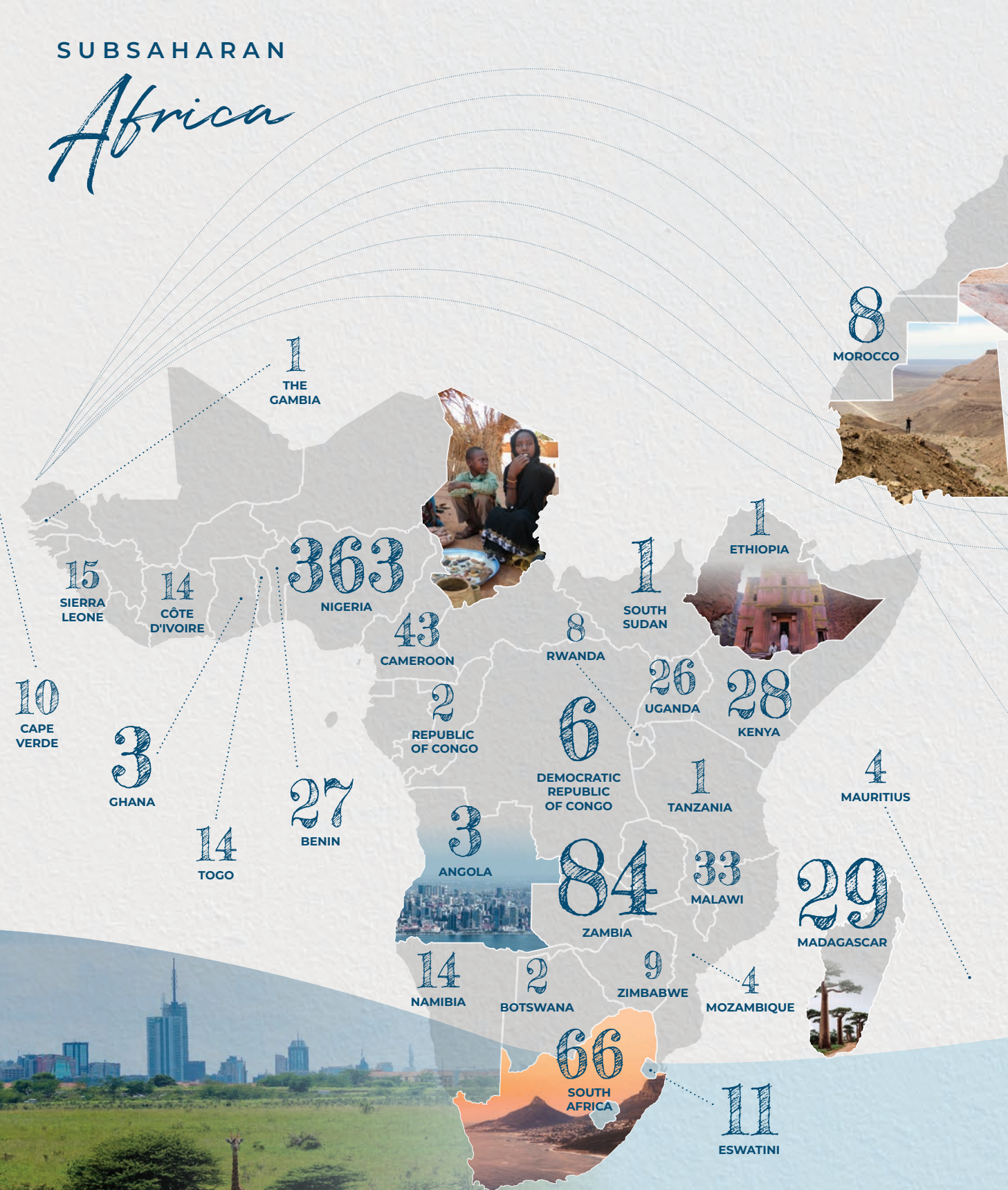


Asia

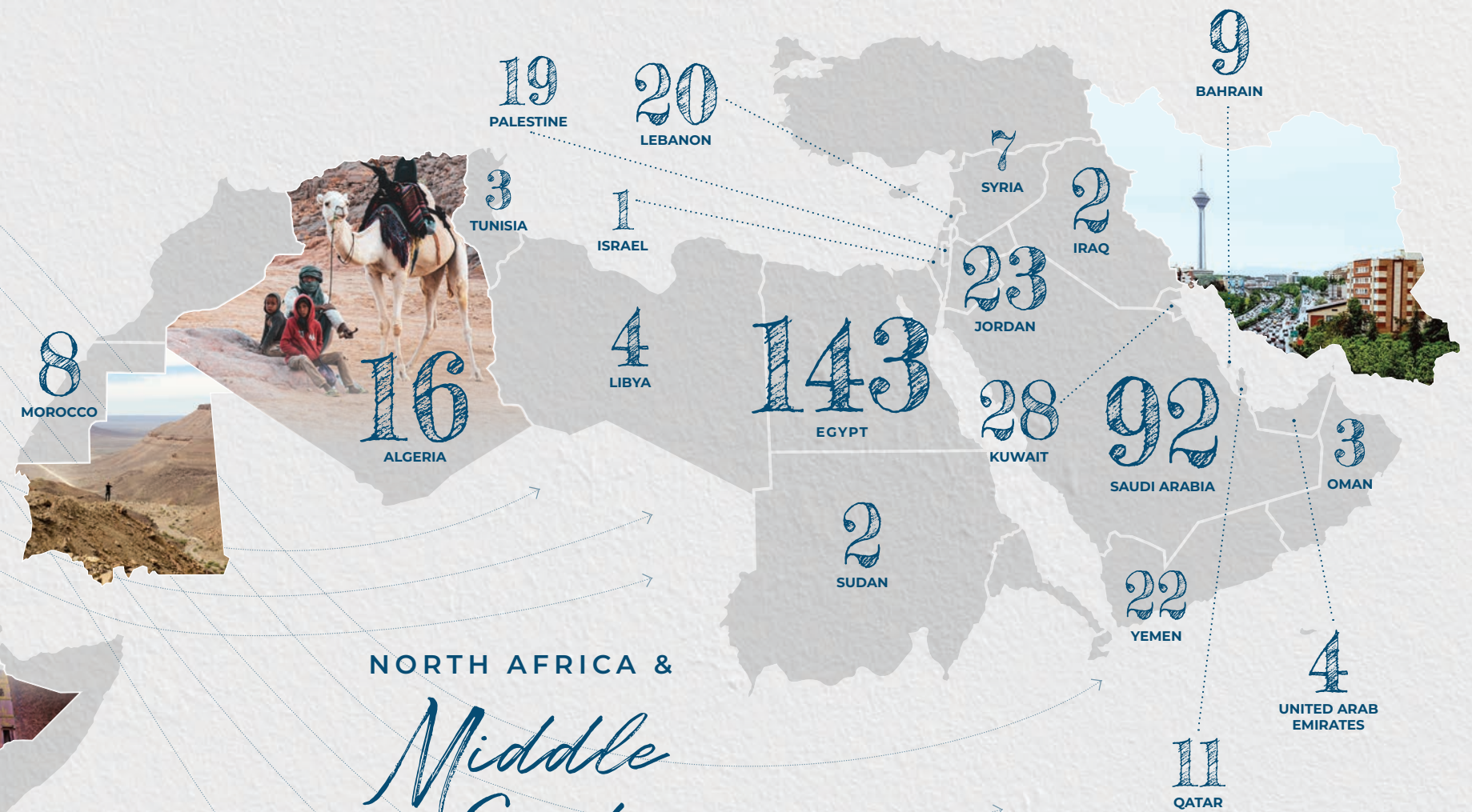


N U M B E R S B Y N A T I O N

SUBSAHARAN

Africa

NORTH AFRICA &

Middle East

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A NEW WAY

ONLINE PRAYER GATHERING ON MAUNDY THURSDAY IN 2020,

7,982  **111**
PEOPLE FROM NATIONS
came together for an online prayer gathering.

On Maundy Thursday in 2020, 7,982 people from 111 nations came together for an online prayer gathering. Just three weeks before, global travel had ground to a halt, and by April, a mysterious virus was upending life in countries around the world.

Haggai leaders were facing a variety of extreme challenges caused by COVID-19. But on that night in April, the Haggai family prayed. We prayed for safety, for wisdom, for provision, and for God to use this unprecedented season to make Himself known. The Pray Now gathering featured six leaders from all four hemispheres, each sharing how the pandemic was playing out in the different

parts of the world and calling the greater Haggai community to prayer and action.

In the months that followed, Haggai leaders around the world adapted to the “new normal” and met immediate needs in their own countries. Leaders like Mae Young in the Philippines and Montree Sirisomboonwong in Thailand organized massive feeding programs for frontline workers and disenfranchised families. In Ukraine, Dr. Vadim Vus educated medical professionals throughout the region in COVID-19 prevention and infection control.

As we sought new ways to share the love of Jesus in a season of upheaval, brand new Haggai leaders were equipped through virtual seminars and the historical launch of the Virtual Haggai Leader Experience in the fall of 2020.

TO CONNECT



VIRTUAL GLOBAL SUMMIT

134
NATIONS gathered for the
Virtual Global Summit

In February of 2021, thousands from around the world gathered for the Virtual Global Summit, a remote version of the international gathering typically held in-person each spring. The new medium allowed us to take viewers directly to the frontlines alongside four leaders in four different nations. In El Salvador and the Philippines, participants met Dr. Victor Segura and Dr. Jasmin Jamora, two physicians navigating patient care in the midst of the ongoing pandemic. Attendees were introduced to Jane Caldcleugh, a Haggai leader serving to fight human trafficking as she serves at-risk women and girls in Buenos Aires. And we shared a live interview with church planter Cruz

Paniagua in Ecuador, learning how this young Haggai leader has helped establish thousands of new churches across South America.

The world in which Haggai International is sharing the Gospel is vastly different than it was one year ago, and the old methods of connecting our vast community of leaders had to be adjusted through innovative solutions. But in the midst of this challenge, God allowed us to renew and grow in a transformative way, all the while staying connected to those working alongside us in the effort to end Gospel poverty.

AN INNOVATIVE APPROACH FOR A NEW ERA

As Haggai International celebrated its 51st year of ministry in 2020, the leadership team gathered early last February to ask, “How can we accelerate the vision and mission to end Gospel poverty?” We had no idea how urgent this question was, or how quickly we would need to answer it as, just weeks later, COVID-19 shook the world.

With the onslaught of the pandemic, an unprecedented challenge faced the global missions community. Countries were forced to implement restrictions for international travel, and public health officials banned large gatherings. Western missions were placed into an indefinite holding pattern. The globe faced chaos, uncertainty, and fear.

As we faced these challenges, it quickly became evident that Haggai’s timeless model of equipping leaders within their home countries would not only

ensure the ministry’s survival, it also uniquely positioned us to thrive in a crucial historical moment.

As Haggai leaders on the ground met urgent needs and shared messages of hope with their communities, our leadership team sought a way to continue equipping new leaders around the world.

In just a few months, regional Haggai groups began to equip local leaders using virtual formats. In July, a group in Mexico moved their seminar online, equipping 26 leaders. Shortly after, a group of 20 leaders from across the Middle East and North Africa were equipped in the same way, many of whom would not have been permitted to travel for an International Session even before the pandemic. We were in awe as God used this virtual answer as a means to not only equip during a pandemic, but to provide a lasting

solution for the future. What had initially appeared as an obstacle quickly became an opportunity.

In August 2020, we launched the first-ever Virtual Haggai Leader Experience (VHLE). A second launched on September 19, and thus far, 148 leaders have been equipped and deployed through this new, virtual format.

Seasoned faculty from all over the world are using digital learning technology to effectively equip men and women eager to see their nations transformed with the Gospel. This new, innovative approach has allowed Haggai International to continue the development of new leaders even as countries continue to face challenges from the pandemic. Without the burden of travel, the potential for program growth is truly limitless.

This new approach is not a replacement for our in-person gatherings, but rather an innovative addition to our capabilities. These tools open new possibilities for the struggle to end Gospel poverty, and the potential for scalability means we can expand the original goal of 250,000 leaders. In the next 10 years, we plan to equip 100,000 individuals per year to advance the Gospel, resulting in one million leaders in the next decade.

The devastation of the pandemic could have sidelined our work to end Gospel poverty. Instead, it served as a catalyst, forcing us to pivot and develop a novel approach to meet the needs of a hurting world desperate for the hope of Jesus.

Latin AMERICA

HOME TO 648 MILLION PEOPLE
in 48 countries and territories.

8% OR 4.6 MILLION are living below the Gospel poverty line.

THERE ARE 36,101
Haggai leaders in Latin America.

God Opens Doors for Influential Impact

Haggai leader Patricia “Patty” Carolina Villarreal doesn’t let anything stand in her way of sharing the Gospel with her country, Mexico.

“During my time in Haggai I set high goals to make Mexico a Christian nation. Since then, I have been restless and impatient to reach as many as I can for His glory with a strategic plan.”

With this goal in mind, Patty began Construyendo Con Caracter A.C. (“Building with Character”), a program which offers character and basic principles courses in schools, churches, companies, and government arenas.

Patty’s travel availability became limited due to caring for her elderly parents. Her work attracted the attention of the president of Mexico, but Patty had to turn down his invitation to present her vision for the nation to key secretaries.

“It was a hard choice to reject, but the Lord prompted me: ‘Your strength comes from your home.’”

Despite this discouragement, Patty was committed to her call of both caring for her parents and sharing the Gospel, and so she started “knocking down media doors” – if she couldn’t travel to equip others, she could still reach them from her home.

“Mexican laws prohibit us to share God’s Word in the media, but God has given us a higher law of speaking His Word to all.”

Through what became a highly-rated TV and radio program, Patty was able to reach government staff and equip leaders. God also brought key government and business leaders to her home for equipping.

“The Haggai Leader Experience has enhanced my life and functioning by helping me to abide focused in God’s calling with strategic plans for a time as this.”



STORIES OF IMPACT BY REGION

Asia

HOME TO 4.6 BILLION PEOPLE
across 57 countries and territories.

52% have never heard the Gospel.

THERE ARE 54,126
Haggai leaders in Asia.

For Theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven

“If you continue to preach this Jesus religion, we will not spare you, we will come and kill you, wherever you may try to hide.”

Those were the words a Nepalese pastor heard as he gasped for air, bleeding on the side of a dark country road one night this past year. The Haggai leader* was on a motorcycle returning home from an outreach trip in southern Nepal when he was attacked by a group of strangers.

This journey was one the pastor had made before. After his Haggai Leader Experience (HLE) in 2008, he felt a pull toward Scripture’s command to love and serve the lowly and oppressed. In Nepal, that meant serving the “Dalits,” those deemed “untouchable” by an ancient caste system, many living in abject poverty.

“I strongly believe that the HLE gave me a solid vision to serve Dalit communities who are doubly marginalized. I am convinced that only the Gospel of Jesus Christ can redeem and transform the lives of Dalits. I started seeing the lives of lowly, poor, prisoners, blind, widowed, fatherless, and strangers with the eyes of God.”

He founded a ministry focused on serving Dalit communities, while providing crucial economic and educational support. In the decade since the ministry was founded, this Haggai leader and his team have shared the Gospel with thousands, while meeting tangible needs. But in addition to the recent attack, these efforts have been met with resistance from a culture hostile to Christianity and to the Dalit community. Still, he perseveres.

“Better to die doing something good than doing nothing. Jesus accepted death on the cross to save the lost. If God has been sent to serve our community, we must be obedient.”

*Name withheld for safety of Haggai leader.



SUBSAHARAN

Africa

HOME TO ONE BILLION PEOPLE

37% have never heard the Gospel.

THERE ARE 25,528

Haggai leaders in this region.

Haggai Leader Elected President of Malawi

When Dr. Lazarus Chakwera was born in Nyasaland (presently Malawi) in 1955, his parents had already lost two infants before his birth. Believing that God had plans for this third child to live, they named him “Lazarus.”

His parents were right in their assumptions that God had big plans for their son. By the time he was a teen, Nyasaland had become Malawi, a republic independent of the British commonwealth. And just as Malawi gained its footing as an independent nation, young Lazarus pursued his call to the ministry.

In 1986, he attended the Haggai Leader Experience (HLE), where those in his cohort group described him as a “quiet, composed, and rather jovial person who had given all of himself to Christ.”

Shortly after returning from the HLE, Dr. Lazarus received the first of three degrees in theology. He became a respected professor and the president of the Assemblies of God, Malawi’s largest Christian denomination. His ministry flourished, but about a decade into his tenure leading the denomination, Lazarus felt a new call.

“God spoke to my heart . . . He said, ‘I am not pulling you out of ministry. Instead, I am extending your ministry. I want you to get into politics.’”

In 2013, Dr. Lazarus ran for office and became leader of the Malawi Congress Party. He spent the next six years serving in Congress, until he ran for president in 2019. The 2019 election was initially won by the incumbent President Peter Mutharika, but irregularities were discovered. The election was held again one year later, and on June 23, 2020, Dr. Lazarus Chakwera was elected as Malawi’s sixth president.

Reflecting upon how his Haggai training influences his policies, he says, “Malawi will now have a government that will serve its people, not one that rules without a thought of its people.”



NORTH AFRICA &

Middle East

HOME TO 592 MILLION PEOPLE

44% have never heard the Gospel.

THERE ARE 8,482

Haggai leaders in this region.

Already on the Ground

On a warm Tuesday evening in early August of 2020, a seismic shudder with a magnitude of 3.3 on the Richter scale reverberated across the Middle East. In Lebanon’s bustling port city of Beirut, 2,750 tons of improperly stored ammonium nitrate had created one of the largest non-nuclear explosions in modern history. The blast was felt throughout Lebanon and three of its neighboring countries.

The impact was devastating. Nearly 200 men, women, and children were killed, and more than 5,000 sustained significant injuries. It is estimated that at least 300,000 individuals in and around the city became homeless.

In a matter of seconds, the blast upended the lives of everyone in the Middle East’s third largest city. But Haggai International already had someone on the ground.

Haggai leader Dr. Nabil Costa joined the Lebanese Society for Educational and Social Development (LSESD) as its executive director in 1998. When the explosion hit, Dr. Costa and his team quickly sprang to action. With facilities across the city and a wealth of aid resources built into their existing programs, they were uniquely equipped to respond to the disaster.

Within days of the explosion, LSESD had mobilized all of their resources in response to the disaster. In just three weeks, they provided temporary housing to more than 40 families, served over 2,800 meals, and used their schools to provide trauma care to displaced children.

Recovery across Beirut has been a long and arduous process. But Dr. Costa, his cohorts at LSESD, and the network of Haggai leaders in the country were steadfast in their commitment to display the Gospel and help the city heal.



- The **Venture** community, newly launched in September of 2020,
- is a group of compassionate, faithful, and driven people — like
- you — from all over the world who are financially partnering on a
- monthly basis to advance the Gospel in the places where people
- have not had the opportunity to hear and respond to Jesus.

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A GIVING COMMUNITY OF HAGGAI INTERNATIONAL

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A GLOBAL PRAYER & DEVOTIONAL APP

A NEW APP!
LAUNCHED FEBRUARY 2021



Daily devotionals and prayer requests right to your device written by influential, indigenous leaders from all over the world.

DOWNLOAD THE FREE APP
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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

FISCAL YEAR 2021

*Contributions***\$11,097,221**

FINANCIAL PARTNERS

Expenses**\$7,294,532**

TOTAL MINISTRY SERVICES

**\$3,760,978**

SUPPORT SERVICES

Please note that included here are financial highlights.
Visit haggai-international.org for full audited financial statements.

Due to the pandemic, the ministry was not able to execute the in-person equipping at the same volume as past fiscal years, therefore the total ministry services were a lower percentage of the total expenses compared to a standard year of ministry. The financials represented above are based on our 2021 fiscal year, which runs from April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

FEBRUARY 26, 2021 TO FEBRUARY 25, 2022

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Note: Term of office ends at the Annual Board Meeting in February of each respective year at the conclusion of the board meetings.

*Term of office ends at the conclusion of the 2022 Annual Board Meeting.

**Initial one-year term as Trustee.

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