

Your **IMPACT**

2023 STATE OF MINISTRY REPORT

*God used a Haggai
leader to change
my future.*



Haggai International's State of the Ministry is an annual publication highlighting financial reports, stories, statistics, and reporting from the ministry's fiscal year. We believe in transparent communication with Haggai partners so you can rest in the confidence that your support is stewarded wisely and truly makes an impact around the world.

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THE REALITY

2.2

BILLION PEOPLE*

LIVE IN
Gospel
POVERTY

*Source: The Center for the Study of Global Christianity at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

Gospel poverty exists wherever people have not had the opportunity to hear and respond to the Gospel.

THE DRIVE

OUR VISION IS SIMPLE

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 equip leaders with skills and tools of holistic Gospel witness so that their neighbors, communities, and nations experience the hope of Jesus Christ.

OUR MODEL IS EXPONENTIAL

We select, equip, multiply, and encourage difference makers all across the globe.

Doors Opened Wide

We began this past fiscal year full of hope and expectation, on the heels of a successful equipping year through the Virtual Haggai Leader Experience (VHLE) and with the strong support of partners like you. God was so faithful! It's a joy to give you a glimpse of the State of the Ministry, and I can't wait for you to read the powerful stories and impact statistics.

The words of our founder Dr. John Edmund Haggai proved to be true for 2022:

"Only a man who plans, prioritizes, and performs with positive action can find time for the important... and the unexpected."

This was a year full of the important AND the unexpected.

The 2022-23 fiscal year was the third highest year of equipping in our ministry's history due to combined efforts from national ministries and the VHLE! For context, the two years that surpassed it were 2018 and 2019, before COVID-19 disrupted national ministry gatherings and our in-person equipping.

This past year, national ministries increased the number they equipped, as well as hosted in-person alumni gatherings across their regions to share resources, stories, and encouragement. In FY22-23, 4,749 leaders were equipped through national ministries, an 8.5% increase since FY21-22.

We entered the realm of thought leadership by hiring Dr. Tyler Lenocker as Vice President of Global Research. With Haggai International's 50+ years of strategic, successful experience in global missions, we are excited to be at the table in conversations across the globe to both share our expertise and learn from other Gospel-centric organizations. Tyler is helping us identify global trends that will shape our strategies and programs for the future to reach the 2.2 billion living in Gospel poverty.

With this in mind, we linked arms with other ministries already at work in Mongolia and our own Haggai Mongolia national ministry to pilot a new initiative to accelerate ending Gospel poverty in that nation. This initiative continues to yield fruit in the unity of the Spirit of believers in that country, with many more being reached with the Good News of the Gospel, through holistic Gospel witness in a nation where only 2% of the population are followers of Christ.

This fiscal year, we also were able to visit leaders and see their ministry firsthand:

- » In Argentina, we met Silvana, Daniel, and David, who are participating in their country's well-known prison reform.
- » In India, we visited Lorraine and Anil Francis who are supporting and expanding a mission home that serves the vulnerable.
- » In Kenya, Dr. Robert Wafula showed us how he is transforming the next generation, from adopted children like his daughter, Esther, to thousands in universities.
- » In the Middle East, we had the privilege of meeting a duo who cannot be named or photographed for the sake of their lives and

their livelihoods — yet we shared meals, listened to their stories, and heard how their equipping through Haggai has enabled them to reach their nations in ways they never thought possible.

As you review these very stories and the State of this Ministry over the next few pages, I know you'll see how God has opened wide the doors of opportunity for Haggai International and our leaders to reach the world with the Gospel. He has shown us repeatedly how He works for our good and His glory in this world He loves so much.

Also, rejoice with us as we launch forward into our ministry plans for the next fiscal year! In June, we're thrilled to resume in-person equipping. With both virtual and in-person avenues now available for global leaders, our equipping experience is in full force. God is creating an army of leaders across the world, adding to the 136,000+ men and women already equipped.

At Haggai International, we long to see nations redeemed in the name of Jesus. Jesus' commission to the disciples is just as urgent in today's world as it was 2,000 years ago. The reality is that 1 in 4 people in the world RIGHT NOW don't know Jesus and His saving grace. I praise God that your Haggai leaders across the globe are bringing the Good News to those who need what only Jesus can provide. From feeding the hungry to bringing justice in the courtroom to leading with integrity in prestigious boardrooms, Haggai leaders are sharing the hope that transformed their own lives.

Do you remember when you said yes to this hope, to Jesus? Perhaps it came like a breath of fresh air, or like a strong person lifting a burden off your shoulders. This is the power of the Gospel: it changes everything. Let's make sure this hope — this Good News — makes it in time, and that we are found faithful in obedience to our Lord's last command!

For the Gospel,



Dr. Williams
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



SINCE 1969

1979

1989

1999

2009

2020

2021

2022

2023

AUGUST → LAUNCH OF THE
VIRTUAL HAGGAI
LEADER EXPERIENCE

JUNE → IN-PERSON
EQUIPPING RETURNS

136,624

HAGGAI LEADERS HAVE BEEN EQUIPPED
SINCE 1969

1,060

NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL LEADERS
(English, Mandarin, Arabic)

+ 4,749

NUMBER OF LEADERS ATTENDING
REGIONAL AND NATIONAL EQUIPPING**

2022-2023* RESULTS

5,809

HAGGAI LEADERS EQUIPPED FROM

26

OF THOSE
COUNTRIES ARE
SOME OF THE
MOST GOSPEL
POOR NATIONS.

96

COUNTRIES

HAGGAI LEADERS ...

ARE FROM

181

NATIONS &
TERRITORIES

AND WORK IN

189

NATIONS &
TERRITORIES

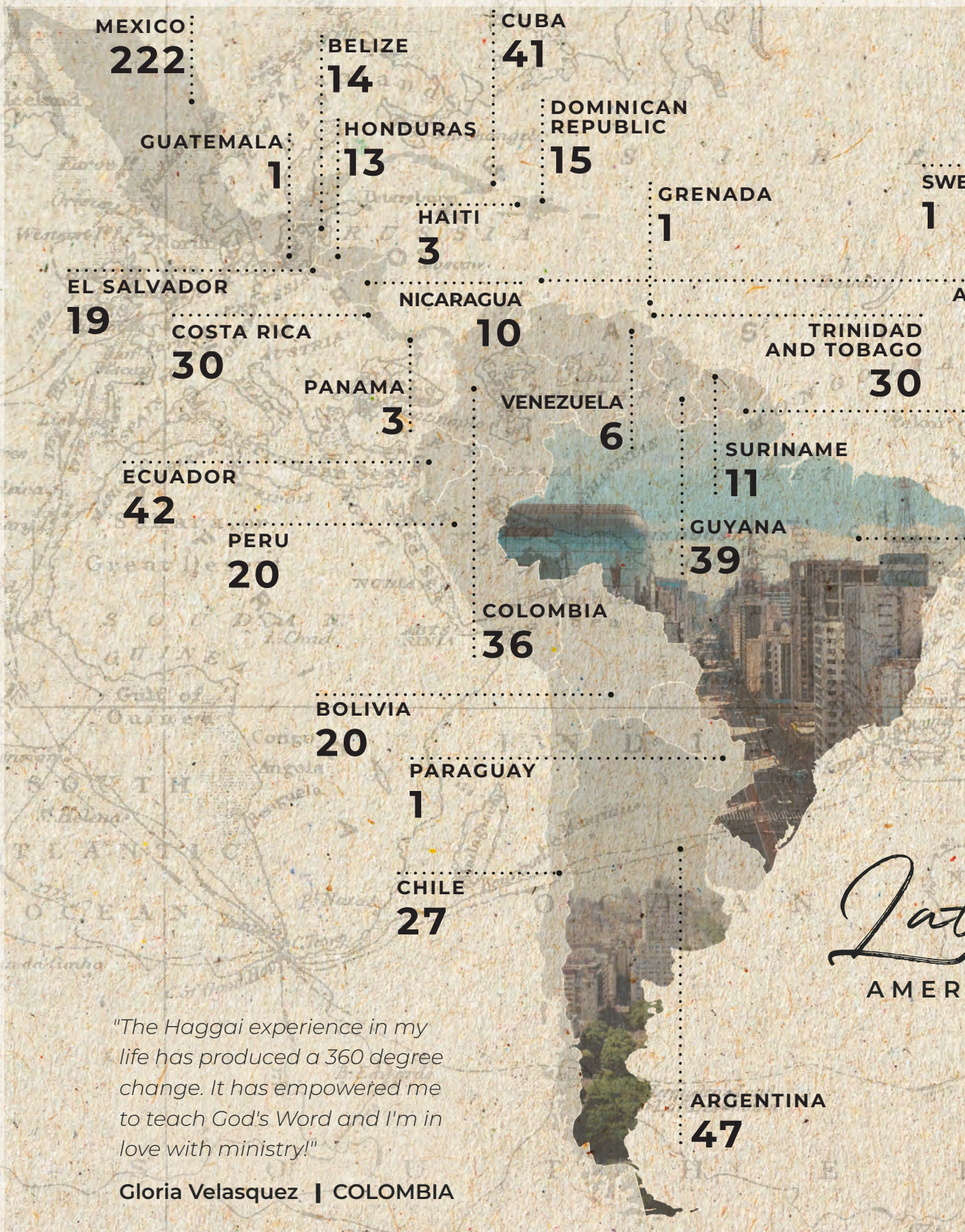
**National ministries are organized groups of Haggai leaders who join together to collectively equip other leaders in their own nations and languages.

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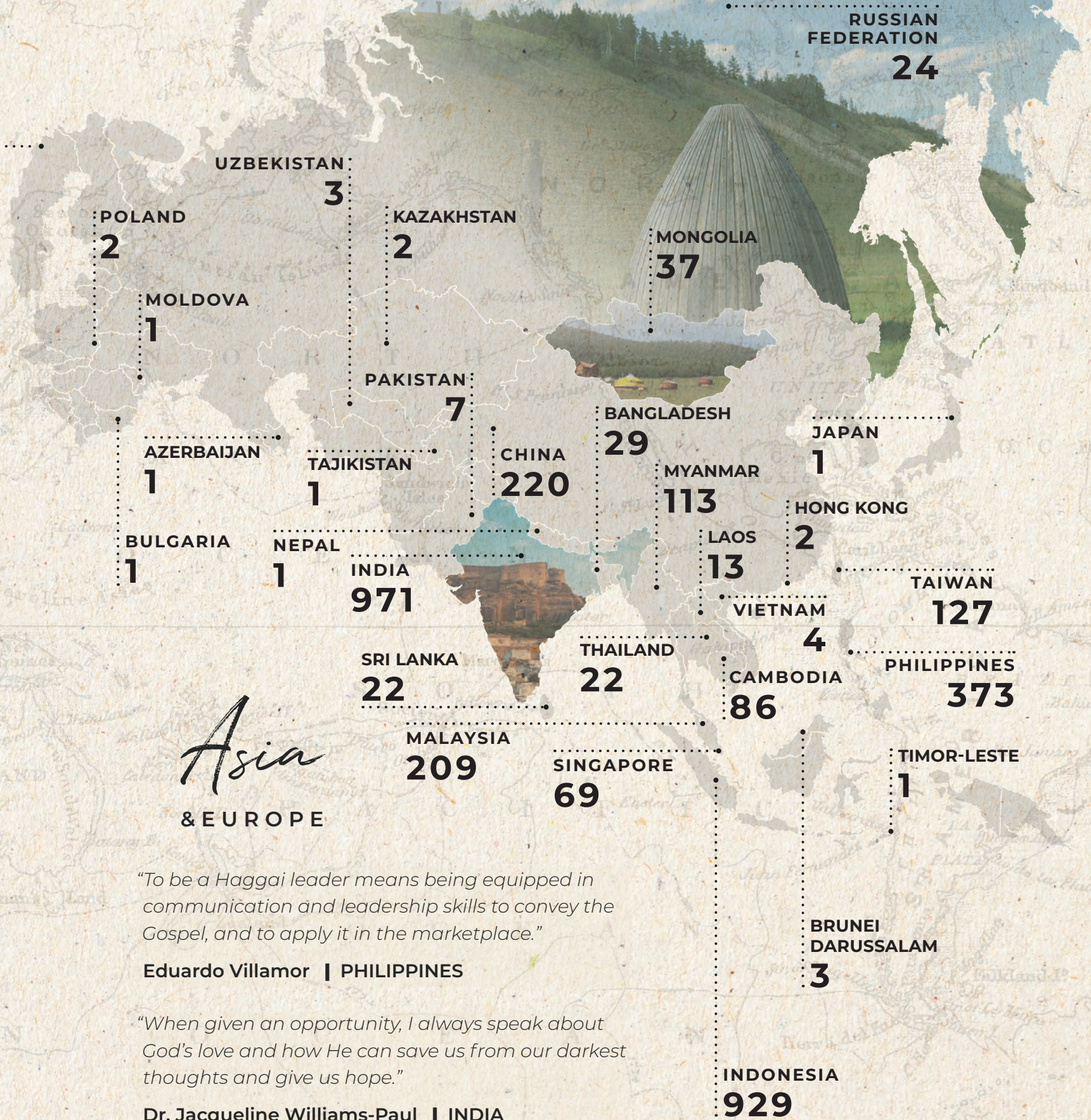
*The stats represented above are based on our 2023 fiscal year, which runs from April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023.

NUMBERS BY NATION



"The Haggai experience in my life has produced a 360 degree change. It has empowered me to teach God's Word and I'm in love with ministry!"

Gloria Velasquez | COLOMBIA



"To be a Haggai leader means being equipped in communication and leadership skills to convey the Gospel, and to apply it in the marketplace."

Eduardo Villamor | PHILIPPINES

"When given an opportunity, I always speak about God's love and how He can save us from our darkest thoughts and give us hope."

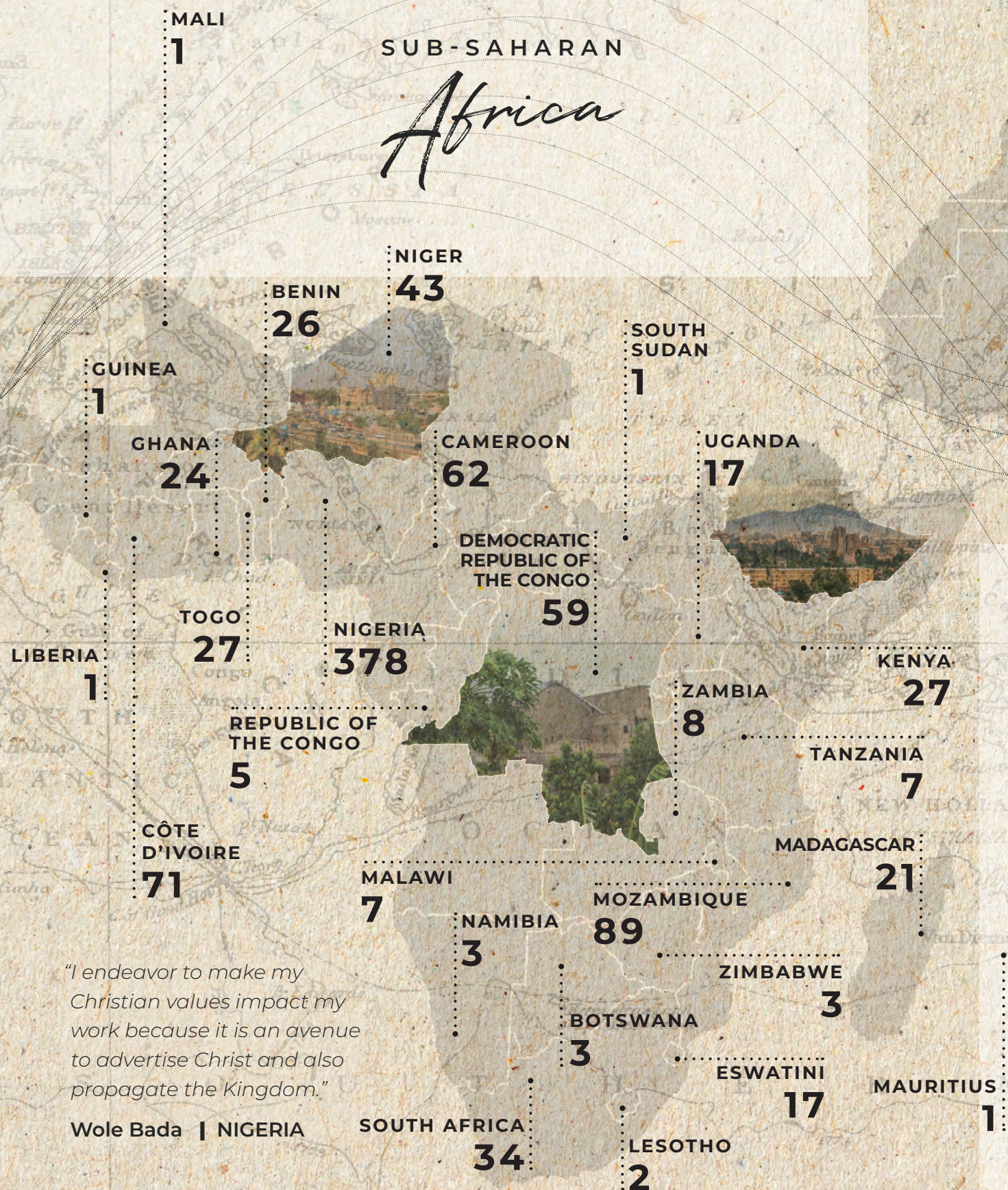
Dr. Jacqueline Williams-Paul | INDIA

Total number of leaders equipped per nation/territory during the fiscal year.

NUMBERS BY NATION

SUB-SAHARAN

Africa



MOROCCO

1

ALGERIA

4

LEBANON

30

TUNISIA

15

ISRAEL

2

EGYPT

318

LIBYA

18

SUDAN

6

SYRIA

5

SAUDI ARABIA

176

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

34

YEMEN

8

NORTH AFRICA &

Middle East

"Despite a lack of freedom to share the Gospel openly, I will imitate the Lord Jesus to others, so others see a difference in me."

Noor | MIDDLE EAST

Ministry MILESTONES



**\$1,000
equals
15,700**
people who could
hear the Gospel for
the first time.

KINGDOM BUILDERS

Kingdom Builders is a group of supporters leaving a Gospel legacy for future generations through estate giving.

57 men and women are a part of this group and have included Haggai International as a beneficiary of their will or trust, set up a charitable gift annuity, or have named Haggai as a beneficiary of their retirement plan, IRA, or life insurance policy.

Learn more:
haggai-international.org/kingdom-builders

CHURCH PARTNER

Haggai's Church Partner initiative is a strategic way for churches to make Haggai their missions partner. 38 churches from 18 U.S. states and 1 church in Mexico are a part of this initiative.

Learn more:
haggai-international.org/church-partner

VENTURE

Venture is our monthly giving community. There are **129 members** and **its retention rate is 84%**. (The average donor retention rate for nonprofits is 45%.)

Learn more:
haggai-international.org/venture

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IMPACT GIVING MODEL

Recently, we revolutionized our giving model by looking at the impact of support for leaders equipped by Haggai and beyond as Haggai leaders pass on their equipping to others.

Based on data, we now know each person's investment impact on the Kingdom.

\$1,000 = 15,700 people who could hear the Gospel for the first time.

When you partner financially, you are partnering with the impact of approximately 200 leaders from upwards of 50 nations around the world.

EQUIPPING :: OUR EXPANDING GLOBAL TEAM

Facilitators lead and equip leaders participating in the in-person or Virtual Haggai Leader Experience. There are a total of 314 facilitators from more than 65 countries. We trained 45 new facilitators over the fiscal year, all of whom are volunteers who give generously of their time.

Regional Representatives lead the way in discovering and identifying potential new leaders to attend the Haggai Leader Experience. There are 16 full-time reps and 4 associates in this role across each region.

Middle East Expansion :: Due to the critical nature of ending Gospel poverty in the Middle East, we responded by adding 4 new positions: Executive Director • Operations Manager • 2 Regional Reps.

Global Equipping :: 2022 was the third highest year of equipping in our ministry's history due to strengthened national ministries and the Virtual Haggai Leader Experience.

5,809
leaders were
equipped in
total in FY23.

SOCIAL MEDIA

In FY 22-23, we gained

4,558

NEW FOLLOWERS across social media, a **27% year-over-year increase**



This reel featuring Dr. Arthur Dhanaraj, Haggai's Chief Learning Officer, and Trustee Emeritus Bob Rutland was Haggai's most successful social media post of all time, with **24K views, 655 likes, 13 shares, and 14 saves.** (Scan the QR code to watch.)

INSIGHT APP

Our app, Insight, provides daily devotionals and prayer requests from Haggai leaders.

The app was officially launched in January 2021, and since then has been downloaded thousands of times.

Download the app:



Engagement rate per impression

(The number of times users engaged with our social media content as a percentage of impressions)

INCREASED FROM **3.2% in 2022 to 5.5% in 2023**

This fiscal year, there were more than

1.2 Million impressions across social media

We had **13,998 downloads** in FY22-23.

That is a **1,059% increase.**

The app has been downloaded a total of

16,028 times,

87% of which happened in FY22-23.

TOP 10 COUNTRIES BY DOWNLOAD, excluding the U.S. The countries marked in bold are some of the top most dangerous places to be a Christian.

APPLE: India • Pakistan • Kazakhstan • Indonesia • Malaysia • Philippines • Egypt • Saudi Arabia • Azerbaijan • Lebanon

ANDROID: India • Philippines • Bangladesh • Nigeria • Pakistan • Kenya • Ghana • South Africa • Zambia • Papua New Guinea

MEASURES OF EFFECTIVENESS

We've measured the effectiveness of our equipping for more than 10 years.

Haggai leaders are on average sharing the Gospel

802

times and they actively equip

That means that the

251

others to go and do the same within 2 years of their equipping.

1,060

INTERNATIONALLY EQUIPPED* LEADERS in FY23

could share the Gospel with

850,120

MEN AND WOMEN AND EQUIP

266,060

others to do the same by 2025.



Want to see these numbers in action? Scan the QR code to watch a video that shows this multiplication effect.

*Internationally equipped leaders are the men and women who attend a virtual or in-person Haggai Leader Experience facilitated by Haggai International faculty. They differ from nationally equipped leaders who are equipped through regionally based sessions organized by Haggai leaders.

ENDING GOSPEL POVERTY *Weekend* FEBRUARY 2023 Recap

February 24-25, hundreds came together from five continents for the Ending Gospel Poverty Weekend to celebrate powerful testimonies of how the Gospel is advancing through the ministry of Haggai International.

Our Friday Forum, February 24, was an evening featuring the nations we cannot typically talk about — the places where it is hardest to be a follower of Jesus.

The next day, Haggai leaders shared stories about women and children rescued, inmates freed, and lives saved. Guests experienced an

evening of awe-inspiring stories, devout prayer, a moving reunion, and stirring worship.

Together, we celebrated stories of Haggai leaders serving on the frontlines of the effort to end Gospel poverty. In Argentina, Silvana shares the light of the Gospel with inmates and beyond. In India, Lorraine offers hope, healing, and freedom to society's most-vulnerable. In Kenya, Dr. Wafula counsels and empowers young people. We also heard the story of a leader in

the Middle East, a man we call "Simon," who risks his life every day because of his faithfulness to the Gospel.

Jesus' Great Commission to make disciples is just as urgent as it was 2,000 years ago. That's why Haggai International commits to equipping leaders to reach the 2.2 billion who do not know the Good News of Jesus. With your partnership and prayer, Haggai leaders will do whatever it takes to end Gospel poverty.



Dr. Cruz Paniagua, Venezuelan Church Planter



Kenyan educator and counselor
Dr. Robert Wafula



Lorraine Francis, Mission Director in India



Silvana Mercado Nwosu, Missionary Evangelist in Argentina



Asia
& EASTERN
EUROPE

Haggai leaders

60,286

Population

4.7 billion

Gospel Poor*

1,586,394,017

13.86%

of the population
is Christian

**Defined as people who have never heard or
had the chance to respond to the Gospel.*

EVERY Tribe & Tongue

Atop the hills of Nagaland — northeastern India and northwestern Myanmar — live 16 major tribes of the Naga people. Each tribe speaks its own language and carries different cultural practices, but they share the traditional art of weaving and working in agriculture, with rice as a staple food. Many Naga people live in poverty and most are “Heraka believers,” which is a kind of Hindu religion. This makes reaching them with the Gospel difficult, Haggai leader and Nagaland resident Haden* says.

“There are few Naga believers working to share the Gospel in these areas, but a few years ago, a group of Haggai leaders began praying and became committed to reaching these people, and [a church group] eventually set up an outreach center in the area. It was a huge answer to prayer.”

That outreach center resulted in the salvation of three Naga people who are now devoted to sharing the Good News with their communities.

Together with his family, Haden, a government employee who lives and works in Nagaland, supported these new believers for three years while they studied at a Bible school.

“Now, all three are actively engaged in translating the Bible into their own languages, and our family is currently supporting a Naga student from Myanmar who is studying theology.”

Haden and his fellow Haggai leaders are replicating the Haggai model at the local level: instead of trying to reach the Naga people themselves, they are investing in the equipping of Naga believers who understand the language, culture, and religious beliefs of the people they seek to introduce to Jesus.

“Praise God for providing us with the opportunity to do a small work for the extension of His Kingdom,” Haden says.

WRITTEN BY JILL CLAIR GENTRY

**Name changed for security.*

NORTH AFRICA &

Middle
East

Haggai leaders

9,429

Population

644 million

Gospel Poor*

305,328,275

3.72%

of the population
is Christian

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had the chance to respond to the Gospel.*

Salvation in the Shadows

Imagine living in a country where you have to hide your Bible under the floorboards of your home, where you have to sing worship songs in secret, where sharing the Gospel could get you killed. This is a reality for many Christians in the Middle East, including one believer named Simon*.

Simon is from a country where 98% of the population is Muslim. The situation in his country is one of the worst humanitarian crises in the world right now, and persecution of Christians is an everyday reality.

Eight years ago, Simon's father participated in the Haggai Leader Experience. He was so inspired that he created several organizations to spread the Gospel strategically while helping people in need. Simon's father began reaching more and more people with the Good News of Jesus. Unfortunately, this put him on the radar of his country's government. In what would later be discovered as a planned execution, he was shot to death for his faith.

After the death of his father, Simon's awakening began. He realized if his father's faith was something he was willing to die for, then it must be important. Today, Simon is continuing his father's work of sharing the Gospel despite great personal risks.

In 2022, Simon completed the Virtual Haggai Leader Experience and is now one of the thousands of leaders who must keep their faith hidden from their government. Simon says he is burdened, but he is blessed. He hides Bibles under the floor in his home for other Christians. He baptizes new believers in secret. When they gather in his home for worship, they close all doors and blare loud Arabic music so it masks their praise songs.

Simon knows he is called to reach his country with the Gospel. Jesus captured Simon's heart, and he has surrendered his life and his future to following Christ. "As a believer in the Gospel," he says, "I am willing to do whatever He calls me to — even if it means dying for His name." When asked how he feels about the people who executed his father, Simon says he forgives them. If he was sitting across the table from them, he would say, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they're doing."

Believers like Simon are targeted and treated differently for their faith. They are putting everything on the line for the sake of Jesus' message, but Simon is encouraged and inspired by the spread of Christianity in his country. He shares, "Though we are quiet about what we do as believers, we are not asleep. We are fully alive, and we boldly believe that our God will wake our nation in His name."

WRITTEN BY NATALIE BROULETTE

**Name changed for security.*

30 leaders completed the Arabic Virtual Haggai Leader Experience (VHLE) in 2022, all from their nations in the Middle East and North Africa. The countries have been hidden and names changed because to be a Christian in these nations could cost them their lives. They face: **persecution • loneliness • treated as second class citizens • surveillance • illegal possession of Bibles • imprisonment • death.**

Here is what they said after the VHLE:

"The compassion and love I encountered in the VHLE cannot be forgotten; my life and mind have changed, and I acquired many skills." — **Dakari**

"The field is prepared and equipped for work, and I am ready to share the living Word of God through His Gospel that changes the soul and the body." — **Paula**

"God spoke through the VHLE. Now, I'm more motivated to evangelize in the role I've been given and am committed to long-term discipleship." — **Jabir**

"I will seize every opportunity to share the Gospel and consider myself responsible for ending the Gospel poverty." — **Grace**

"After the VHLE, a barrier of silence has been broken. I no longer will testify by my deeds only, but by openly declaring to everyone in my path about a loving God who died for us." — **Isaiah**

"After the VHLE, I am reawakened to reach the broken families around me. I am praying for the Lord to bring unity and use me to give hope to the broken." — **Lama**

"I will now enthusiastically share the Gospel with courage because I have the Holy Spirit." — **Rashid**

"Society needs to know the light of Jesus Christ and it starts with the Church. I am the Lord's to use." — **Vaida**

"I am committed. I have learned how to care for people and respect their suffering of whatever kind, as well as their beliefs, and share the Gospel with them." — **Zaheer**

"Now after the VHLE, I am more encouraged to deliver the Gospel to everyone who does not know Christ and to be effective in His ministry." — **Yusuf**

"I am ministering to children and youth, teaching them the Gospel with love and passion. After the VHLE, I plan to speak truth and to listen so that they do not get swept away in the new world and its teachings but follow Jesus Christ." — **Qarina**

"Through the VHLE, I have become a leader equipped with the necessary tools. Despite a lack of freedom to share the Gospel openly, I will imitate the Lord Jesus to others, so others see a difference in me." — **Ubayd**

"After the VHLE, I realized I cannot just remain silent in the church. I am compelled to preach." — **Jorge**

"After the VHLE, I will not just plan, but I will move." — **Xavier**

"After the VHLE, I decided to open my house to start sharing the Gospel, as well as through virtual platforms." — **Sarah**



SUB-SAHARAN

Africa

Haggai leaders

27,445

Population

1.2 billion

Gospel Poor*

157,446,225

50%

of the population
is Christian

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A New Tradition

Where Malagasy Haggai leader and medical doctor Noro Rakotoarivelo lives in Antananarivo, Madagascar, the culture is rich. It's a huge part of the people's lives there, with traditions and rituals still in practice today, dating back many generations. But many of those traditions are not based on God, and that's one of the biggest hurdles Dr. Rakotoarivelo faces when trying to share her faith. Plenty of her neighbors go to church, but they haven't accepted Jesus as their Savior. Because those rituals maintain as much presence and importance as what they learn in church, it is nearly impossible to grow in one's faith. In fact, the ones that do often face difficult conflicts with their families.

"I believe that when a person knows the Bible and applies what they learn, their lives change," said Dr. Rakotoarivelo, who teaches a Bible study for women. "That's what our people need, as conviction from God's Word would correct wrong thinking — and our people have many, stemming both from our heritage and today's wider culture."

Dr. Rakotoarivelo uses her equipping from the Haggai Leader Experience to teach the value of daily devotion to this group of women, and for many who've taken that next step, it's been life-changing.

One young woman decided to leverage her family business to share the Gospel with children and teenagers at a local school by printing Bible verses and

uplifting messages on their school supplies. Another shared astonishment when she learned her coworkers altered their behavior around her, simply because they knew she was a Christian.

"One of them said, 'We see that you are Christian, and you are teaching us by your behavior.' She did not even say a word about the Bible or Jesus, as it was forbidden in that workplace, yet she is living the Gospel in front of them."

Another invited two young sisters of a different religion who had been struggling with their faith and the idea of a true God for some time.

"They said later, that when I gave the lecture on that passage, especially Acts 1:8 about the unstoppable spirit of God, they made the decision to totally commit to Christ and leave behind their previous religious beliefs. This put them at odds with their father but didn't deter them from following Jesus and studying the Bible."

Meeting together regularly has given them time to study and apply Scripture, pray for and encourage one another, and, ultimately, learn how to ask God for guidance as they go out into the world to make disciples of others.

Now, that's a new kind of tradition worth starting!

WRITTEN BY JENNIFER COLOSIMO

Haggai leaders

38,335

Population

664,987,363

Gospel Poor*

4,654,790

92.1%

of the population
is Christian

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Hope for Outsiders in Argentina

Throughout the Gospel of Luke, Jesus' ministry is one for the marginalized: a lifeline for outcasts and outsiders. With arms outstretched and without judgment, He brought them hope.

Haggai leader Silvana Mercado Nwosu's life changed overnight when she had an eye-opening encounter with Jesus while working in Las Vegas. Moved by Christ's love for her, she felt a call on her life to connect to those on the fringes of society.

In 2015, Silvana's calling crystallized when she attended the Haggai Leader Experience in Maui. She prayed that her life would be opened up to new opportunities to spread the Gospel. Her urgency came after hearing about other leaders' work, which urged her to do more. To make a difference — an impact. This calling has taken her to the streets of her native Buenos Aires, helping those in the prison system recognize the power and love of Jesus.

Not only does Silvana have a mission to share the Gospel, she equips those she works with in the prison system to become Haggai leaders themselves. One close friend of Silvana's, David Castillo, has taken this journey from prison inmate to Haggai leader — now serving as a preacher at a prison in Buenos Aires, where he ministers to those still incarcerated.

Silvana's prison ministry has not only reached inmates, but law enforcement as well. Before Daniel Tejeda was a preacher and Haggai leader, he spent time as a jail warden, with a life "full of violence." All of this changed when he was approached by an inmate at the time who came to him with a question — "Do you want to receive God?" They prayed together and from that point forward Daniel's life was changed.

He says, "When I opened my eyes, I was someone else. I felt something inside me, who I later understood to be the Lord."

When Silvana crossed paths with Daniel and David, she equipped them to become Haggai leaders, and together they are working to change the penitentiary system in Argentina. All three leaders agree that the only freedom that one can receive is the freedom that the Word of God can bring to them. In Latin America, there is a misconception that many citizens are already Christians, but the reality is far from it. Together, with their conjoined effort to see Gospel poverty diminished nationwide, we know this reality will change.

Silvana marvels, "One being the director of a jail, the other one being an inmate, but they had the same need — that was the need of Jesus."

WRITTEN BY LAURYN RUSSELL

The Key to Freedom

David Castillo stood with the keys to the truck in his hand. A thousand thoughts crossed his mind. "This could be my chance to escape." After all, it was what he was notorious for: three attempts since his arrest at the age of 18 for armed robbery and homicide. He picked up the propane tank and walked toward the open door where the prison director, Daniel Tejeda, had asked him to load it into the truck, and paused.

When he turned around, he saw Daniel watching him with his arms crossed and a gentle gaze.

Daniel: "Do you see this door?"

David: "Yes."

Daniel: "Here I am giving you the opportunity to change."



David felt something shift internally. For the first time in his life he went from being the prison inmate who everyone feared and despised, to becoming a person that someone was willing to bet on to make a good choice. This simple act of kindness and undeserved trust changed everything. He didn't realize it at the time, but right there, in that moment, the Gospel had been shared with him and he made the decision to receive it.

Under the guidance of Daniel, himself a reformed former jail warden, David learned to read the Word of God and pray. Having grown up in a gypsy family with no opportunity to go to school, David had the equivalent of an elementary school education. With his new hunger to learn about Jesus, he went on to become a pastor in Argentina's overcrowded and under-resourced prisons that once held him. Not only has he shepherded thousands of inmates to Christ, but he has also set up a University Center in the prison, studied law for three years, and subsequently written a book.

A life redeemed.

At Haggai International we know the Gospel changes lives. And together, David and Daniel are changing the penitentiary system in Argentina. Their influence and impact has increased exponentially since meeting Silvana and becoming national Haggai ministry leaders themselves. Their unlikely team of three, "united by God," is working toward the goal to reach over 40,000 inmates with the love of Jesus, opening doors to the people nobody sees: the forgotten, the despised.

Silvana marvels, "They [the inmates] spend their whole lives when they are inside wanting to be outside having freedom. But actually the only time they are receiving true freedom is when they come to the Lord." The Gospel truly is the key to freedom and that's why together we're putting an end to Gospel poverty.

WRITTEN BY CAROLYN GRANT





OVER ONE YEAR OF WAR IN UKRAINE

"There are no atheists in Ukraine right now ..."

The saying is familiar: "Live like there is no tomorrow." But for Haggai leader and Haggai's Director of Equipping, Maia Mykhaliuk this is more than an empty platitude.

On February 23, 2023, our team had the opportunity to sit down with Maia one year after Russia invaded her home country. The past year has brought terror and uncertainty, as Maia and her family learned to live life from bomb shelters and with the ever-present sound of sirens.

"At any given moment, my phone will still sound with the notification of airstrikes happening in Ukraine."

For Maia, a steady presence of fear has brought an unexpected sense of deep gratitude. Gratitude toward her fellow Haggai leaders and team members consistently checking in on her, gratitude toward the well-being of her family, and gratitude for being able to put complete faith and heart into one presence who knows all: God.

Prior to the invasion, Maia worked as a war photographer, covering conflicts in Ukraine's Donbas region and internationally. Starting in 2022, she had the opportunity to turn her lens to her own home, and share stories of tragedy, perseverance, and hope from the frontlines.

"The sound of airplanes takes getting used to. Over the past year in Ukraine, that sound stops everyone in our tracks and increases our heartbeat."

When news of Russia's impending invasion of Ukraine dominated headlines in early 2022, Maia and her family were faced with a choice: to flee or stay. She and her husband lead a local church, and their daughter was weeks from delivering her first child. Before the first missiles landed, the Mykhaliuk family had made the decision to stay. Though calamity surrounded them, they felt God asking them to remain in Kyiv. One year later, they are steadfast in their commitment to the place and the purpose to which they have been called.

"So much has happened and is still happening, but one thing is obvious, it has been David against Goliath fighting ... and David is winning and he will win! Light will overcome the darkness. We trust God."



Maia and her family continue to spread hope across Ukraine through faithful church services and delivering resources and food. Scan the QR code to hear how Maia facilitated a Haggai session from the uncertain safety of a bomb shelter.

WRITTEN BY JANAY BOYER



Light Will Overcome the Darkness

Photos by Maia Mykhaliuk



PORTRAITS OF IMPACT

Haggai leaders are on a mission to see lives saved, communities transformed, and nations redeemed.

Eduardo Villamor | 1

Filipino Eduardo is committed to spreading the Gospel in all the roles of his life as president of a multi-brand retail company.



1



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Gayathri Venkatesan | 2

In India, Gayathri's church community is made up of over 90% of first-generation Christians.

Lorraine Francis | 3

Lorraine and her husband lead a home in India that rescues the vulnerable.

Constant Edi | 4

Constant Edi manages a Bible translation initiative in local languages across Côte d'Ivoire.



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4

Yoshie Koyama | 5

Yoshie has equipped over 100 women to share the Gospel in Japan.



5

Shelley Launa | 6

Shelley is bringing justice to violated women and providing opportunities to marginalized groups in New Guinea.



6

Princess Dr. Inonge Mbikusita-Lewanika | 7

Princess Dr. Inonge works with vulnerable people in Zambia and teaches them empowering lessons of entrepreneurship, partners to help establish schools for orphans and vulnerable children, and ministers to inmates through Bible study.



7

Lkhagva-Erdene Namkhaidorj | 8

"When I stand on the highest place of Mongolia, it seems to me that I am standing in front of God." Mountaineer Lkhagva-Erdene advances the Gospel amidst the tough terrain of some of Mongolia's highest peaks.



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PORTRAITS OF IMPACT

Haggai leaders are on a mission to see lives saved, communities transformed, and nations redeemed.

Zerath Mapemphero Kajawa | 1

In addition to reaching over 10,000 with the Gospel and equipping more than 600 new leaders in her region, Zerath recently led 19 students in a local village to faith in Jesus.



Dr. Jo Vee Dignadice | 2

In the Philippines, Dr. Dignadice's professional work has increased awareness of the hope and love of Christ in the medical field.

Zoe Diaz de Rivera | 3

Each Christmas, Zoe joins with local leaders to give gifts to children from underserved communities.

David Garcia | 4

In Honduras, David's organization OneChild helped one of Honduras' poorest regions in the aftermath of devastating storms, providing food and rebuilding homes for the family pictured and many more in partnership with the local church.

Leah Espio-Ponio | 5

While striving "to train and disciple intergenerational influential leaders" for biblical leadership, Leah has been preaching to young people across Asia.

Ruben Marian | 6

In Romania, CEO Ruben created a group that helps Christian professionals learn to integrate faith into their business and transform the workplace culture.

Dr. Christian Isichei | 7

Dr. Isichei is the founding coordinator of an organization that provides medical and social services, offering holistic help to those who need it most in Nigeria.





"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."

MATTHEW 18:20

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— Billy Lowe, PASTOR AT CITY CHURCH

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Fiscal Year 2023



Contributions

\$9,276,000

FROM FINANCIAL PARTNERS

Expenses



\$7,629,000

TOTAL MINISTRY SERVICES



\$5,120,000

SUPPORT SERVICES

Please note that included here are financial highlights.
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The financials represented above are based on our 2023 fiscal year, which runs from April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023.

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February 25, 2023 – March 1, 2024

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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 2024 Annual Board Meeting.

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