

June is a month of movement. Summer begins, schedules fill, mission trips launch, and plans long prayed over start taking visible shape. It is a season when people build, prepare, travel, and move forward. In many ways, that is exactly where Operation Go International is right now. God is opening doors in multiple places, and we are grateful for every one of them.

But every open door also requires something else: a strong base, steady hands, and faithful partners. The Gospel work we all rejoice in—souls saved, pastors trained, churches planted, countries reached—must rest on something solid. This month's newsletter is about that truth. If the tent is going to stretch farther, the stakes must be stronger.

"Strengthen Thy Stakes"

"Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes;" — Isaiah 54:2

Isaiah 54 is a beautiful reminder that when God intends to expand the work, He also commands His people to prepare for it. The verse does not simply say, "enlarge." It also says, "strengthen thy stakes." That means growth is not just about reaching farther. It is also about digging deeper.

A tent with wide curtains but weak stakes will not stand long. It may look impressive on a calm day, but when the wind comes, the weakness underneath begins to show. God knew that if His people were going to stretch outward, they would need strength underneath. The cords had to lengthen, yes - but the stakes had to be secure.

That truth speaks clearly to ministry. We all love to hear about souls being saved, churches being planted, pastors being trained, and new countries being reached. And we should. That is the heartbeat of the work. But those victories do not happen in the air. They are supported by the unglamorous faithfulness that keeps the ministry standing—maintenance, equipment, buildings, resources, logistics, preparation, and the kind of giving that rarely gets applause but keeps the Gospel going forward.

There is also a personal lesson here. Many believers ask God to enlarge their influence, their usefulness, or their opportunities. But before the Lord stretches us outward, He often strengthens us inward. He deepens our faith, steadies our character, and teaches us to trust Him in the quiet, costly places. We want enlargement; God often begins with reinforcement.

Dear partners, you are part of the strengthening work. Every prayer, every dollar, every sacrifice, every act of faithfulness helps drive the stakes deeper so the tent can stretch wider. And when the Gospel reaches farther because the base was strong, the Lord gets all the glory.

So this June, let us not despise the hidden work of strengthening. The Lord who says, "lengthen thy cords," is the same Lord who says, "strengthen thy stakes." Both matter. Both are holy. And both are necessary if the work is going to endure.

- Strength for the work at home and abroad
- Wisdom for needed projects and decisions
- Provision for Zambia and Congo opportunities
- Enduring fruit through churches and national pastors

A Special One-Time Gift Appeal for Needed Ministry Projects

Many times, I do not mention the mundane or in-house needs of Operation Go International because there is always a greater burden pressing on my heart—souls to be saved, lives to be changed, churches to be planted, pastors to be trained, and countries to be reached with the Gospel. That is still the great mission. But to keep doing that work effectively, we must also maintain the buildings, tools, equipment, and infrastructure that make the ministry possible.

Over the past several months, we have faced a number of added expenses at our office and ministry base. Printing and copier costs have increased, equipment repairs have been necessary, and the unusually harsh winter brought extra utility bills along with major snow removal and salting expenses. These may not sound like exciting ministry needs, but they are very real needs, and they have significantly depleted our general operating account.

Because of that, I am asking the Lord for 125 partners to give a one-time gift of \$1,000, above and beyond what you already so generously give, to help us meet these pressing maintenance and operation needs. This is not a routine appeal. It is a sincere request to help us strengthen the practical side of the ministry so the Gospel work can continue moving forward with stability and strength.

These funds would also help us complete an important project at the back of our building. We need to remove the old drive-through lanes and pour a concrete pad so that deliveries can be made safely, pallets can be dropped at the rear of the building, and materials can be brought in out of the weather. This will make receiving shipments much safer, more efficient, and far more useful for the growing needs of OGI.

This is not the glamorous side of ministry—but it is the necessary side. If we are going to keep reaching farther, we must keep the base strong. If we are going to keep sending, printing, packing, hosting, preparing, and helping, then we must also strengthen the place from which that work flows.

How You Can Help

- Pray that God would provide through willing and burdened hearts
- Ask the Lord if He would have you be one of the 125 partners
- Give a one-time gift of \$1,000 or more above your regular support
- Share this need with others who believe in the work of worldwide evangelism

Every gift will help strengthen the operational foundation of OGI so we can continue reaching souls, training pastors, and advancing the Gospel around the world.

“SOMETIMES THE MOST SPIRITUAL THING WE CAN DO IS STRENGTHEN THE BASE THAT HELPS CARRY THE GOSPEL FARTHER.”



We are grateful to report that God continues to open remarkable doors in Zambia, and the need to move forward has become both clear and urgent. Our dear friend and consultant, Wilfred Sakala, has secured the final paperwork for our ministry to be fully registered as a non-profit in Zambia. This is a major answer to prayer. Once finalized in person, it will allow us important advantages such as duty-free importation of supplies and materials, quicker access to needed resources, and greater ministry efficiency for the future. All that remains is an in-person meeting with the Minister of Foreign Affairs so the final documents can be signed.

The land in Kaputa that has been promised for the ministry center has now been surveyed and marked. With the rainy season over, the next steps can begin as soon as I make an in-person visit with the chief. Once that is done, fencing and well drilling can begin immediately. The land in Livingstone has also been marked, examined by the chief's council, and approved. I only need to be there to sign off on everything personally. Fencing is especially important to secure the properties from elephants and other animals, and to protect future buildings and ministry activity on the land.

We already have the funds for the wells, and all required government and license fees have been paid. That is a tremendous blessing. But now we urgently need \$20,000 to clear the land and install septic systems on both properties so these centers can begin taking shape. Please make this a serious matter of prayer. These are not just pieces of ground. These are strategic ministry sites where pastors can be trained, resources can be distributed, future churches can be strengthened, and the Gospel can be sent farther into areas that need a witness.

And that is exactly why this matters so much: God is already giving fruit in Zambia. The pastors we trained last year are doing well, and we continue hearing encouraging reports of souls being saved, churches being planted, and new areas being reached with the Gospel. Men who received training are now faithfully preaching, discipling converts, and carrying truth into places where there was little or no strong Gospel witness. In several areas, preaching points have grown into gathered groups of believers. In other places, pastors are reaching villages that had not previously been touched with consistent Bible preaching. The training is not sitting on a shelf—it is being carried into homes, villages, and communities where Christ is being made known.

That is why the centers must be built. These properties in Kaputa and Livingstone are not side projects or optional dreams. They are the next necessary step in strengthening and multiplying what God is already blessing. These centers can become launching places for training, distribution, discipleship, and long-term Gospel expansion. The open doors are real, and the need to move now is urgent.

Congo: Another Urgent Open Door

In addition, national pastors in the Congo are urgently asking me to come hold a pastors' training conference. There is a semi-safe area where this can be done, and I would be able to go there while in Zambia. The cost to bring the preachers in, feed and lodge them, rent a facility, print the conference materials, and provide the books we distribute will be about \$12,000. That includes translation costs to put our material into Congolese French.

This is another very real and very urgent opportunity. Once the needed funds are in place for both Zambia and Congo, I can schedule the trip and move forward. Please pray earnestly about this. These are the kinds of moments when open doors must be answered with obedient action.

Prayer Needs

- Final in-person meeting with the Minister of Foreign Affairs in Zambia
- \$20,000 for land clearing and septic systems in Zambia
- Continued progress on fencing and wells in Kaputa and Livingstone
- Ongoing fruit through the pastors trained last year
- \$12,000 for the Congo pastors' training conference



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Dr. Johnny Pope



Dr. David Gibbs

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- HIGHLIGHTS**
- Preaching: Dr. David Gibbs, Jr. & Dr. Johnny Pope
 - Music: First Baptist Church of Bridgeport
 - Special Guests: OGI leaders from India, Latin America, Africa, Zambia, and the Americas
 - Free Banquet: Zehnder’s in Frankenmuth

SCHEDULE

1:00–4:30 PM — Around the World Ministry Overview

Begins with preaching by Dr. David Gibbs, Jr. and includes updates from OGI leaders serving around the world.

5:00 – 6:15 PM — “Reaching Beyond 2026” Free Banquet

A first-class meal at Zehnder’s for all afternoon attendees.

7:00 PM — Evening Service - Preaching by Dr. Johnny Pope

Host Church

First Baptist Church of Bridgeport

2400 King Road, Saginaw, MI

Pastor J.D. Howell

Please register by scanning the QR code, going online, or calling the office. Come ready to be encouraged, challenged, and stirred for world evangelism.

Don't forget to register your attendance!



Ministry Partners Gathering

As you read through this month’s newsletter, I hope one truth stands out clearly: the work of God must not only expand—it must be strengthened. The Lord is opening doors in Zambia, burdening hearts in Congo, sustaining the ministry at home, and giving us opportunities to gather and rejoice together. But every one of those opportunities depends on a strong foundation, faithful stewardship, and partners who understand that unseen work matters too.

To each and every one of you, thank you. Thank you for your generosity, your prayers, your sacrificial giving, and your faithful partnership with Operation Go International. You are part of every tract distributed, every pastor trained, every church planted, every soul reached, and every open door God gives. We are deeply grateful for you, and we humbly ask you to continue helping as the Lord enables. May God bless you richly for the part you have in this ministry.

Yours For Souls,

Bryan Treadway, Evangelist

*“COMING TOGETHER IS A BEGINNING.
KEEPING TOGETHER IS A PROCESS.
WORKING TOGETHER IS A SUCCESS.”*

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