



PAVILION CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

GLOBAL MISSIONS NETWORK

VISION

- Mission is at the very core of God's heart, reaching out to a lost world and reconciling the world to Himself through Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 5: 18-20), enabling everyone to be a powerful and integral part of His amazing plan for creation (Ephesians 1:18-21).
- Therefore mission is defined here as God's purpose in rescuing people from sin and restoring humanity through the gospel. The church's involvement in mission should be an essential and central part of church life as given to us by Jesus in his Great Commission (Matt 28:19-20, Luke 24:46-49, John 20:21, Acts 1:8).
- We hope to build a strong Global Missions Network (GMN) that can support and care for our missionaries as they serve overseas, and also support those who are connected to global missions ministry within the UK.



SCOPE

- In this missionary policy, we recognise the biblical authority of the local church as a sending and supporting authority for mission. Therefore the work of our mission partners sent out from Pavilion Christian Community should be viewed as an extension of the work of Pavilion Christian Community.
- The mission partnerships formed and supported by Pavilion Christian Community will be characterised by:
 - Genuine and effective partnerships (Philippians 1:4, 5)
 - Partnerships with organisations which make Christ known in the world, through discipleship and through sharing acts of compassion and love.
 - Relationships with specific people involved in the organisations.
 - Whole church awareness and engagement through good, regular, communication



MISSIONS TEAM/NETWORK

- This team will have oversight from the Church leadership, but will be coordinated by the appointed MTL (Ministry Team Leader) for Global Mission.
- This team will function as a network of the different global missions connections that we have, and commit to supporting and raising awareness for within the church.
- The MTL will coordinate, but GMN members will be encouraged to connect with and lead the different functions of this team. *(For example: a GMN member to take a lead on pastoral connections – liaising with and supporting/resourcing life groups to support missionaries.)*
- As aforementioned it will include both missionaries serving overseas and those involved in global missions ministry in the UK.



COMMITMENTS AND EXPECTATIONS

- To launch this network, we will hold a **Café night** – an invitation to be a part of the GMN and learn about the vision.
- Those supported by this network will have the opportunity, at agreed times through the year, to share with the church the work that is taking place, to encourage and inform.
- They will be upheld in prayer during designated global missions slots
- There will be an annual Global Missions Sunday at Pavilion Christian Community
- All missionaries overseas will be linked to a **Life Group** who will be responsible primarily for communicating with them, offering pastoral support – referring this to church leadership if necessary.
- The church will engage, when appropriate and possible, in pastoral and/or insight visits to our overseas missionaries. This could be the minister, or a team from the church, depending on the purpose.
- The church will help provide hospitality for missionaries on Home Assignment if needed.



FINANCE

- Some of our overseas mission partners (Brian and Lydia, and Brian and Comfort) are supported financially by the church. These mission partners consider Pavilion Christian Community to be their **Sending Church**
- Others are supported by prayer, and for these missionaries, Pavilion Christian Community is a **Supporting Church**
- Pavilion Christian Community welcomes and encourages UK based members of the Network to raise awareness for the mission organisations that they represent, should individuals in the church feel led to give to those organisations, then they will be able to do so.
- Pavilion Christian Community currently also supports Syzygy, and will prayerfully consider whether they are able to also support other UK members of the network/their organisations.



MISSION PARTNERS/LINKS

Overseas

- Brian & Lydia English – BMS World Mission, Mae Sot, Thailand
- Brian & Comfort Jennings – Ghana
- Rachel, Jodie, Meghann & Emily – BMS World Mission Albania Action Team
- Claire & Michael Skinner – BMS World Mission, Beirut, Lebanon

UK

- Sam Poursain – BMS World Mission
- Hannah Wilson – European Baptist Federation
- Catherine Robinson – International Nepal Fellowship
- Hannah Hitchin – Serving In Mission, UK
- Mary Rollins – Church Mission Society
- Tim Herbert – Syzygy Missions Support Network



NETWORK

