

2020 BILD INTERNATIONAL ANNUAL REPORT



LEADERS TRAIN LEADERS WITH BILD

In today’s chaotic world, you want to see churches stand as a pillar of truth. For over 40 years, BILD has been on a journey to develop tools and teams to equip church leaders for the real needs of ministry—to see lives transformed and communities impacted by the gospel.

In this 2020 BILD Annual Report, learn where we are today and the next chapter as BILD moves from recovering the way of Christ and His Apostles to rooting the way of Christ and His Apostles—developing tools and teams to equip church leaders for the real needs of ministry.

Our goal is for every church to have well trained, self-replicating leaders who are impacting their churches and communities. This is what BILD does. BILD supports partners to train church leaders.

On behalf of the entire BILD team, thank you for your generosity, faithful prayers, and partnership as we work to progress the gospel across this nation, across this world.

Thank you so much,



Randy Wahl
Manager of Fund Development



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WHERE WE HAVE COME FROM, WHERE WE ARE, WHERE WE ARE GOING

A WORD FROM OUR CEO, FOUNDER, & BOARD



STATEMENT FROM MICHAEL

Global Christianity is going through a major shift. We believe the days in which we live will set the course for the church for hundreds of years to come. For the past 40 years, BILD has been strengthening the church by equipping and training leaders. Today the global network of churches is expanding, and we continue to shape the churches and leaders around what Roland Allen called, “the way of Christ and His Apostles.” The stakes of establishing today’s church is high, the impact is global, and people’s lives are in the balance.

Michael Vos
Chief Executive Officer



STATEMENT FROM JEFF

In 1972, I asked the leaders of our church in Ames if they would allow me to get my training in the church, in the context of ministry. In 1983, the elders sent me to India to see if the training would be welcomed there. I first imagined BILD while looking out on the Himalayas on the border of India. BILD has grown from an idea—a conviction, really—to becoming a global leader in Church-Based Theological Education systems and resources. Now, BILD is a team, a network of churches and leaders, and a strategy and resource for training strong leaders. As you have experienced when you come to Ames, we continue to be based in that same church in Ames, which now fully participates in the global work. Through these years, God has answered our prayers and plans to help restore the Church back to its “centerpiece” role in missions, in establishing believers,

in developing leaders, and in seeking the welfare of cities. Over 36 years later, BILD is now working with leaders and networks of churches in every civilization who are committed to building the Kingdom by recovering the core principles of the Early Church, “the way of Christ and His Apostles (TWCA).” The book of Ephesians was key to our early development, and it has continued to guide us in these most recent days as well.

In recent years, you have been increasingly asking for BILD’s help in taking this training to scale in your countries. Over the last several years, we have been working on systems to help; we feel we are now entering into a new chapter. At the 2019 BILD International conference, we shared how my gifts and Michael’s gifts are very complimentary. Our motivated abilities work perfectly together to work on this next phase of the work. My “sweet spot” is in finding the “Pauls” in every civilization, encouraging solid prototypes of applying TWCA, and working with these key leaders to see spontaneous expansion. Michael is committed to these things, too, and wants to use technology to develop systems to give what is needed to be successful and to affect whole networks—to go to scale, consistent with TWCA. Michael has a passion for seeing the training go to scale.

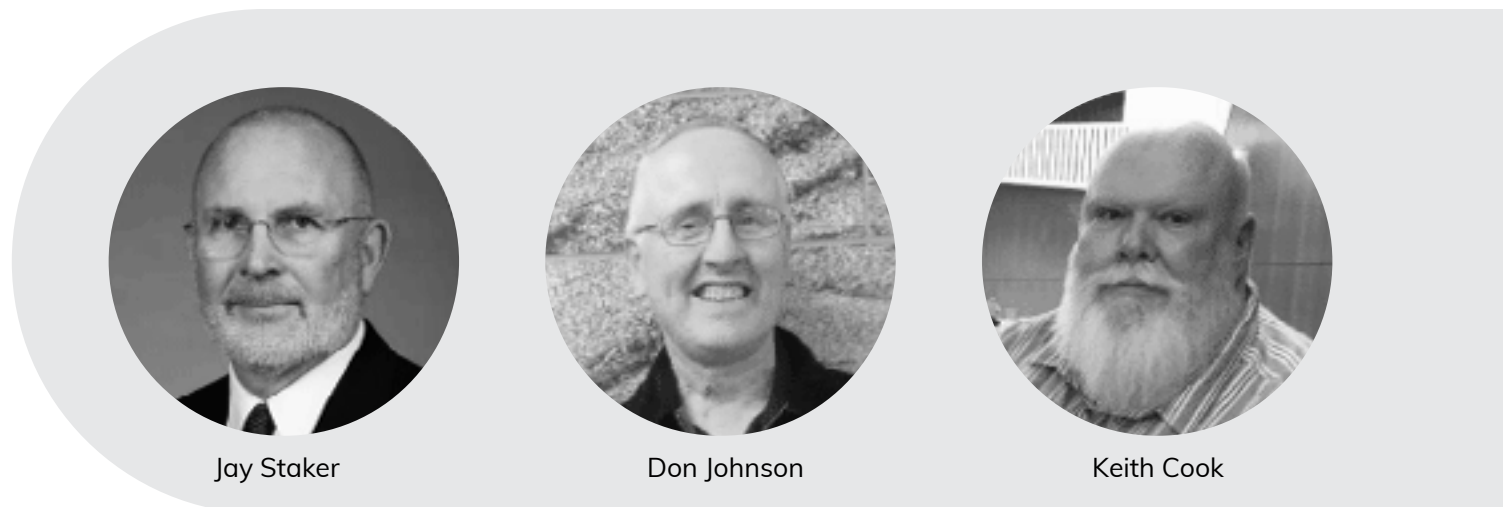
I have had the privilege of serving as CEO of BILD for 36 years! Now, I am excited to share that we have named Michael the CEO of BILD, and he will lead the team at our local church also. His gifts are “realizing the concepts,” “building teams,” and “going to sustainable scale.” Michael is an implementor, and that is exactly what we need in this next chapter.

We have carefully worked through this decision. As many of you know, we have been in this process for many years, laying the necessary foundations, just as Paul did with Timothy. So it seems almost organic, and we are excited about the future. I’ll continue on with my stewardship of the church-based paradigm, with the title of Founder and President (ambassador). I have writing goals and networking goals far into the future, with no plans to retire. Michael and I will continue to work together on goals and strategies for BILD and for our church. And the board will continue to work with us to shepherd these decisions. We have also added additional board members in the process of these decisions.

You are already experiencing the fruit of Michael’s gifts in recent developments. We are asking God to continue to provide and to use us powerfully to strengthen His Church over the next 40 years.

We pray that we all will have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that we may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Jeff Reed
Founder and President



Jay Staker

Don Johnson

Keith Cook

STATEMENT FROM THE BOARD

The BILD Board of Directors includes elders from the CityChurch of Ames-Des Moines, co-laborers in the BILD ministry from the very beginning nearly 40 years ago. The Board is purposefully structured according to the way of Christ and His Apostles (TWCA). The biblical model of the church as a family, given in the New Testament letters by the Apostles and patterned after the household order, is the core of the church. Families exist in a cooperative manner described in Acts where Luke describes the church as “like a family”. This family met together, shared possessions and broke bread and prayed together. “They spent their time learning from the Apostles, and they were like family to each other. They also broke bread and prayed together while praising God. Everyone liked them, and each day the Lord added to their group others who were being saved.” (Acts 2:42—43 CEV)

The local family of families serves as BILD’s Antioch providing the local church home for the core BILD team. The elders shepherd the BILD team’s lives within the local churches. Three long-term elders in this local church have served together for decades. They have overseen the administration of the network and development of BILD. They also serve as the board for BILD and work in an over and under relationship with the BILD apostolic team. This over/under relationship allows the elders to shepherd the apostolic team. The apostolic team brings authoritative teaching to the network of churches, advancing the work as a single unified team in the city, state, country, and world. Together they work to root TWCA with fidelity to the biblical model.

THERE’S A PROBLEM

THE NEED

Throughout the world, we have a shortage of Christian leaders. In the West, where Christianity is in decline, the Church is rarely viewed as the solution to real human problems. In contrast, in the Global South where the gospel is spreading, there is a shortage of leaders to shepherd the new Christians and mature the churches. Grassroots leaders are needed in these places to teach, to train, to shepherd, to mature, to pass along the deposit, and to establish more leaders.

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“**THROUGHOUT
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WHAT CAN BE DONE?

THE SOLUTION

The solution is to have everyone maturing. To mature, they must become established in their faith so they can fulfill the role given to them by Christ and the Apostles' teaching. Individuals use their spiritual gifts within their church family, seeking the welfare of their communities, their cities and impacting whole cultures. The BILD system enables individuals to be able to read and understand the Scriptures so the gospel and the teachings can be deeply rooted and lived out. Churches are families of families networked together to support each other through hub resource teams, to become rooted in the teachings in order to withstand the winds of the enemy.

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HOW DO WE DO IT?

THE STRATEGY

1. Local Churches:

 - function as families of families
 - are central to Christ's strategy like the churches in Acts
 - are to live in their communities as families
 - are established in the gospel (Kerygma) and the teachings (Didache)
 - are supported and cared for by local elders and shepherds
2. Networks of Churches:

 - work together to seek the welfare of each of their cities
 - are like the church networks seen in the New Testament
 - are building a global network that is training their leaders and people in the context of the local church
3. Apostolic Teams:

 - function as global and partner resource teams that equip and unite churches together
 - are critical to the expansion of new churches, the establishment of existing churches and unity of all churches
 - work with other global and partner resource teams to equip and serve church networks that span across cities, countries and around the world

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WHAT CAN YOU DO?

At BILD, we know that you want to be a catalyst for change. As church leaders ourselves, we know the burdens you feel. For more than 40 years, we've helped train leaders in more than 40 countries representing a wide range of Christian traditions. In order to be a catalyst of change, you need leadership training that helps you grow your church and impact your community. The problem is most training doesn't address the challenges that church leaders face, which makes you feel burdened and stuck. **We believe that every church should establish all their people in the first principles of the faith, and new leaders should be trained by the existing church leaders in apprenticeship training that is 'on the job'.**

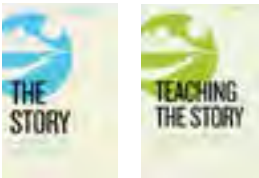
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ASSESS YOUR NEEDS

BIBLICAL LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES

THE STORY



Resources for opening the scriptures to those desiring to follow Jesus as the early followers did after his resurrection.

THE LEADERSHIP SERIES



Comprehensive theological education within the life and ministry of local churches.

LIFE DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES



Resources for developing skill in all areas of life, for all ages.

PARADIGM RESOURCES



Develop your understanding of the global church-based theological education paradigm.

THE FIRST PRINCIPLES SERIES



Engage every believer in the first principles of Christianity.

MASTERING THE SCRIPTURES SERIES



Guiding maturing believers and local (modal) church leaders in a process of solidly understanding the entire Bible.

CORE EDUCATING SERIES



Resources designed to lay a solid general education foundation for all students.



BENEFACTOR PROFILE: JOY IN GIVING

DAVID & RACHEL HAILA FAMILY

From a young age, it was impressed upon David Haila to give to his local church. His parents instilled in him a sense of monetary responsibility and to give wholeheartedly to the mission of the church. While as a child it may have seemed more of a duty, David has found over the years, that joy in giving comes from convictions of the heart and a stewardship over the resources God has entrusted to him and his family.

“There’s a joy and peace from knowing you’re using your resources to the fullest extent,” David said.

It is with that mindset he and his wife, Rachel, have become benefactors to the Ames-Des Moines CityChurch and to BILD International.

Throughout their marriage, the Hailas have supported their local church through hospitality, teaching, and the discipline of giving financially.

“We are, and have been, long-time hosts within the network because of becoming established around the ideas of using our resources for ministry purposes,” David said.

Their role as benefactors to their church family is seen weekly

when they open their home on Sunday evenings as their church gathers. Their hospitality and leadership have helped establish others in the first principles of the faith, and their commitment has also allowed them to host international church leaders who have attended BILD’s annual fall conference.

Just as their parents before them, David and Rachel have continued to pass these principles to their own children. “The way that we participate is as a family,” David said. “It’s not just a David thing or a Rachel thing, but something that everyone participates in. We’re striving to create a strong and purposeful family, and that means everyone fully participates and these are some of the ways we do that.”

David said the impact they have as a family relates to Christ and the church—the family



David and Rachel Haila family

unit and the family structure that is present in every culture and is God’s design. “Strong churches are comprised of strong families,” he said. “We are doing our part to be a faithful family striving after the same thing.”

As a leader and a benefactor, David has been impacted by his own interactions with international church leaders and the need for training leaders in the church.

“There’s a role that leadership plays to strengthen the communities of faith and further the kingdom,” David said, “which in turn

leads to the stewardship of giving faithfully.”

“The Spirit has laid it on our heart to give and experience the joy that comes from participating in God’s work through our financial resources, which is an act of faith,” he said.

Ultimately, he sees the effectiveness of using resources and helping believers reflect on the issues that are facing their culture. Having that in mind, David and his family are dedicated to using their gifts to further the gospel not just in central Iowa but around the world.



Haila family with international guests

2020 BILD BENEFACTOR FACTS

Donors: **37**

Amount given: **\$1,229,599.77**

From **7/1/19–6/30/20**

2020 IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

THE WORLD



We can summarize this year as making significant progress in continuing to root the principles across the global network. We want to look like and function like the churches and networks in Acts!

NORTH AMERICA



CHURCH-BASED THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION: PREPARING FOR THE REAL NEEDS OF MINISTRY

LEADERS TRAINING LEADERS IN NOBLE CITY CHURCH, YORK, PENNSYLVANIA

In November 2019, Ben Murray and Steve Lundy completed their Antioch School Master of Ministry degrees. Ben has been in Antioch School training since the early days of planting Noble City Church among the downtrodden and marginalized city of York, PA. The training Ben has gone through has served him at every phase of the plant and has helped him think through numerous

problems associated with planting a church in a challenging environment. Steve joined the church and began training a few years into the church plant. He has become a key member of the team. At the graduation ceremony, Ben presented Steve with his diploma and testified to the significant leadership Steve brings to their church.



Steve Lundy



Ben Murray

2020 ANTIOCH SCHOOL FACTS:

Students enrolled in degree programs: 328

Degree graduates: 17

From 7/1/19–6/30/20

A COMPLEX NETWORK OF CHURCHES

Like a New Testament model of churches with an Apostolic team that moves between them and equips the leaders to develop their people for the work of the ministry, the BILD Latin America Global Resource Team is strengthening and expanding the Church in Latin America.

The BILD Latin America Global Resource Team is working in:

- Chile
- Cuba
- Costa Rica
- Dominican Republic
- Ecuador
- El Salvador
- Guatemala
- Honduras
- Mexico
- Nicaragua
- Panama
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Venezuela
- Spain
- United States of America



Churches support one another as a family of families.

696 CHURCHES
6,640 PEOPLE
125 NETWORK LEADERS
IN TRAINING

LEADERSHIP TRAINING STRENGTHENING THE GLOBAL CHURCH IN UGANDA AND EAST AFRICA

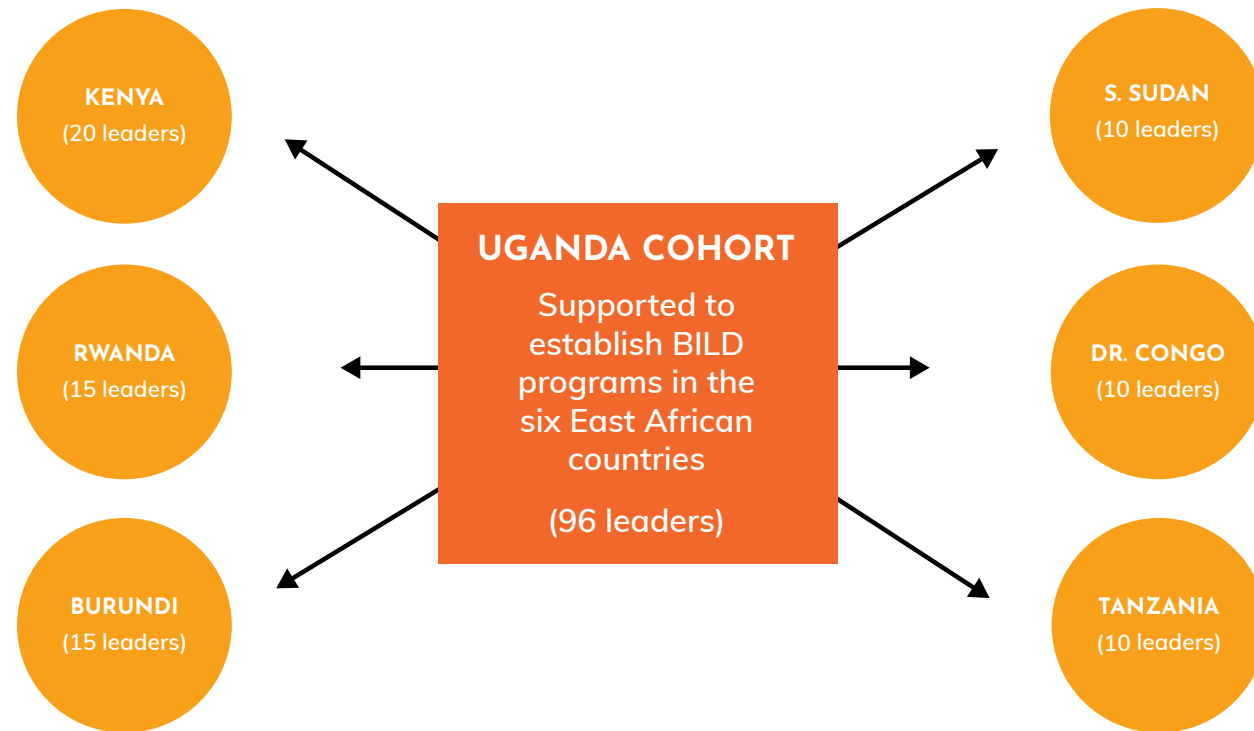
The Church in Uganda and East Africa is being strengthened with the help of leadership training through BILD. Over the past three years, the program has been embraced by 181 church and ministry leaders in six East African Community Countries.

Over 50% of the engaged church leaders have written and submitted Antioch School work with 20% of those leaders demonstrating competency in their biblical understanding—preparing them to lead and train the next group of leaders.

The impact of developing these leaders through church-based leadership training

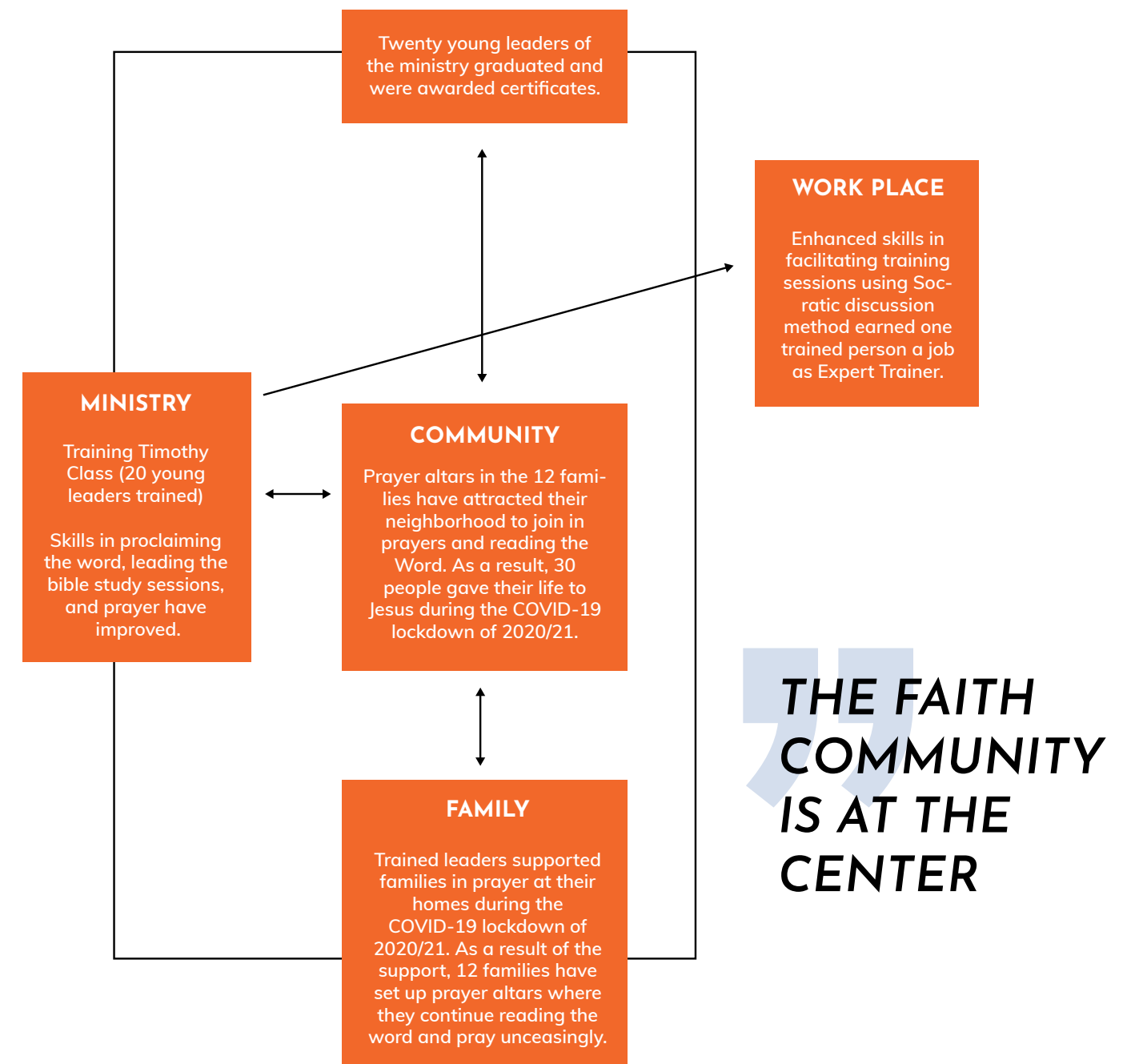
has been seen at different levels of society: ministry, individual, family, community, and workplace. For example, at Ambassadors of Encouragement Ministry International Kampala, the church leaders identified young leaders within the ministry and organized them into a team called Timothy Class. The Timothy Class team was trained in the First Principles (Series 1, 2, and 3) and Leadership Series 1, (referred to as module 1) for a period of six months. At the end of the training, they were consecrated and awarded with certificates to start ministering. As a result, the training impacted individuals, ministries, families, communities and workplaces.





Ministry level training of leaders and family and community level training of the First Principles is continuing to strengthen and grow the Church throughout Uganda. BILD continues to support our partners in Uganda and the East African Community Countries to overcome their ongoing challenges.

- The church-based training model is a new idea to most of the leaders, so changing the mindset from the old to the new methods and skills is a long process.
- The BILD reading materials are in English. This limits the ability to take the training to the grassroots level where the populace use their vernacular languages.
- Financial constraints limit the access of many leaders to the Internet and consequently to the BILD Cloud.
- Unique to 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic stopped the Socratic discussions of leaders in all regions of the country, affecting the sharpening of learners.



2019 BILD INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 30–NOVEMBER 8, 2019

A GLOBAL FAMILY

Families in the CityChurch of Ames-Des Moines hosted global church leaders in their homes with all members of the family participating.

CORNERSTONE SCRIPTURE FOR THE 2019 CONFERENCE

“I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.”
Ephesians 3:16–19



LEADERS TRAINING LEADERS

Certificates of achievement and demonstration of ministry preparedness.



2019 BILD INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE FACTS:
Conference attendees: 191
International attendees: 122
Countries represented: 34
Ministry partners represented: 99

"LIFE STEWARDSHIP IN COMMUNITY" EMBRACED IN MONGOLIA



BY BYRA DASHDORJ, ULAANBAATAR, MONGOLIA

The family that hosted Byra Dashdorj during the 2019 BILD International Conference made an impression on him. Byra experienced the impact of churches working through the Lifeⁿ resource together, laying foundations for lives well-lived. Byra was so impacted that when he returned home, he led his own network of church leaders through the book and trained them to do the same in their churches. Read his story:

"We did an 8-week Lifeⁿ seminar with around half (20 leaders) of our cohort. The seminar was good and encouraged leaders to look

back and see what God had done and helped them plan their lives instead of planning only for their ministry. We worked through one topic each week, with each person doing their work prior to gathering together.

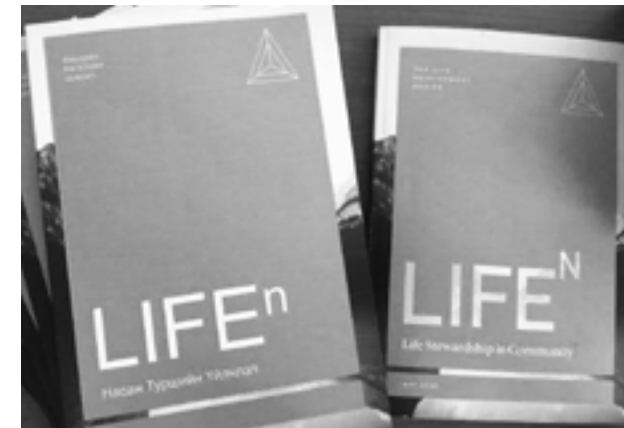
"This 8 weeks of Lifeⁿ was most effective because we started with sharing timelines and working one by one. In this group, they learned together with their spouses. And being all in the same church, it made things more accessible especially for emotional sharing. Each week we are amazed by each others' insights as well.



A family of families discussing Lifeⁿ together in Mongolia.

"During the 8 weeks of the seminar, we saw some life decisions for their current struggles and job plan. Many of them started thinking about what they were doing/working/ministering and started searching for their reason/calling for their further walk. This resulted in people better understanding their ability to develop their lives, ministries, as well as marriages. There were many sharings and

heartwarming moments, but I remember that it ended up there was 'more' loving God, more willing to minister to others, some of the leaders dedicated themselves for more ministries for others, like young adults and youth. One lady left her UN office work for what she discovered was where she is called/supposed to be, according to her testimony."



Lifeⁿ translated in Mongolian.



Lifeⁿ translated in Mongolian.



A family of families discussing Lifeⁿ together in Mongolia.

LEADERS TRAINING LEADERS

BY MATTHEWS VARGHESE
CENTRAL INDIA NETWORK
IMPACT IN OUR CHURCHES

"The training and developing of leaders along with the partnership of BILD in our churches have made a huge impact upon the believers. It has really uplifted the church in its every aspect of life such as pastoral, ministerial and missional. It has taken away the misconception that existed among Christian leaders as well as among believers that theological education is only meant for pastors and evangelists, and they are trained only in seminaries. So this new paradigm has shifted the perspective of leaders and the believers regarding church and their role in the local church.

"During the pandemic, the cohort gatherings were continued through online media. In fact,

it became wider and more regular as we did not have to travel around to different places to conduct the cohorts. We had regular cohorts conducted in Hallelujah Church Bhopal, Raipur, Mandla, Goa etc. Our Doctorate Of Ministry cohort also regularly met every Thursday.

"One of our candidates who is pursuing his Doctorate of Ministry shared his experience. His name is Rev. Jinu John; the name of his church was The City Fellowship Church in Bhopal. He has most of his believers from a non-Christian background. Ever since he joined with the BILD study program, he started teaching the believers The First Principles Series. He says it has helped the believers to

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Matthews Varghese awards Rev. L F Prabhakar a certificate.

be strongly founded in the gospel and in its implications. Oftentimes the preaching alone that is only on Sundays does not help the believers to understand what the gospel is and to walk in its implications. But the teachings of The First Principles Series regularly in small groups helps the believers to learn and understand it. They have been taught on the transformation of their character, i.e. how to behave themselves in the household of God, and in societal life. All these teachings—not as a one time event but as an ongoing process of developing the believers—have brought tremendous change in the lives of people. Rev. Jinu John had also chosen a few for leadership series courses and was teaching Acts with them. So altogether the philosophy of the way of Christ and His Apostles has changed his perspective in the ministry as well as in the lives of people in the church."



Matthews Varghese awards Rev. L F Prabhakar a certificate.

THE TEACHINGS OF THE FIRST PRINCIPLES SERIES REGULARLY IN SMALL GROUPS HELP THE BELIEVERS TO LEARN AND UNDERSTAND IT. THEY HAVE BEEN TAUGHT ON THE TRANSFORMATION OF THEIR CHARACTER, I.E. HOW TO BEHAVE THEMSELVES IN THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD AND IN SOCIETAL LIFE. ALL THESE TEACHINGS NOT AS A ONE TIME EVENT BUT AS AN ONGOING PROCESS OF DEVELOPING THE BELIEVERS HAVE BROUGHT TREMENDOUS CHANGE IN THE LIVES OF PEOPLE.

CENTRAL INDIA NETWORK
PERSONAL TESTIMONY: MELVIN LAZAR

"My name is Melvin Lazar. I have been in the ministry for many years in the Northern part of India with Good News Centre and Church Bhopal. I have done my Master of Theology and spent a lot of years in the seminary. But the philosophy of BILD has brought tremendous change in my perspective towards the theological studies. Most of the time I saw it as acquiring knowledge, and I was assuming that I will be able to bring those learning into practice, once I complete my study program and entered into the ministry field. But ever since I learned and understood (still learning and understanding) the paradigm BILD has brought, I knew I was not able to effectively apply any of my learning towards the growth of the church and its life. Moreover, it also helped me to continue my learning that was in a way stagnant after my studies in the seminary. In fact, I was not even considering or thinking on the scope of being involved in continuous learning in a systematic way outside of the seminary. Although we speak on learning as a lifelong process, in practicality we were unable to do it in a continuous and orderly manner. But the paradigm of Church-Based Theological Education helped me to continue my learning in an incessant and efficient way.

"The curriculum of BILD and its philosophy is not focusing merely on academic exercise, rather it shows how it has to be done within the context of the church, simultaneously helping the church to develop leaders and its holistic growth. Some of the learning, like the household text and its implications in a local church, was marvelous. The roles and responsibilities of each individual in God's Household is something we often neglect. So the paradigm of Church-Based Theological Education, now I can surely say, is the need of the hour, especially in the North Indian context.

"Once I joined in the Doctorate of Ministry program, I have been personally involved in training the believers in our local church as well as a group of leaders and pastors in a particular area called Mandla in Madhya Pradesh. Most of them have not gone through regular training programs, nor had any ongoing training helping them to acquire knowledge. This training program has helped them to continue their learning within the context of the ministry, especially within the context of the church life. It has changed a lot in their perspective towards the ministry. And now they themselves are involved in teaching their leaders in their respective local churches. Most of the time, in the region where these pastors are working, people come to the faith by some point of contact like healing and through getting their needs met by prayer and by a miracle. But now, the teaching of The First Principles helped them to be strongly founded in the first principles of Jesus Christ. As a result, we see a lot of changes in these churches and their leadership."



Matthews Varghese awards Melvin Lazar a certificate.

'ALL THE BELIEVERS WERE TOGETHER AND HAD EVERYTHING IN COMMON'

ACTS 2:44 EXPERIENCED IN INDIA

BY R. THINAGARAN RICHARD

"I have been teaching in our church at Chennai, Ayyanawaram Maranatha Prayer House (AMPH), on the Household Texts for the last three years, from BILD's First Principles booklets and the way of Christ and His Apostles. Once the church pastors and elders of the church shared with me that there was no real fellowship between the families due to social and economic differences. Many are from Ayyanawaram slums, and some are middle class in good jobs, they did not have real relationships with one another. The church was largely Sunday morning activities - long worship, long sermons and shorter time of praying and interacting with one another. The Lord's Table was celebrated traditionally on the first Sundays with token pieces of bread and separate small cups of grape juice.

"First, I taught the local church pastors—L. Samuel, Joel Dhinakaran, John Kamalesh and other elders—to celebrate the Lord's Table with a real meal. Initially, they were not willing to mess with their common sentimentality of 'Sacredness of Holy Communion and Holy Sanctuary.' I continued to teach and guide the leaders, who eventually convinced the church families to bring lunch for their family and with little extra for newcomers or individual believers.

"Accordingly, every first Sunday, the church families gather at 9:30 a.m. with congregational singing, testimonies, community prayers, announcements, and teaching the word till 12:30.



"The Lord's Table starts with the breaking of the bread and passing on the cup along with the lunch that each family brings with something extra. It is a beautiful sight of different varieties of food on a plate as different families relate as one family. You know, eating food from another caste is taboo in the Hindu caste system. Here, no one knows or dares to ask who brought what. Even the poorest of the poorest bring pickles or others bring manual labour.

"After quickly cleaning and socializing, the church regroups again. The children and adults exercise their giftedness: singing, Bible quiz, skits, and reciting Bible verses. Followed by group discussion, they study The First Principles booklet. The gathering closes with the ministry of the Word at 5:00 p.m. Though it is a long time from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., the church families celebrate the belongingness.



"The results are...

- They study the Word in small groups through free discussion.
- The church families understand the family concept of church and breaking the bread and fellowshiping.
- The barriers of caste and economic differences are broken down as everyone freely and lovingly socializes with one another. Since lunch is served at the church, the menfolks, who would be absent largely, started gathering as the church.
- For this special day, the families eagerly save money for the whole month.
- There are opportunities to exercise their spiritual giftedness.
- The church families develop unity, bond of love, and care for one another."

**THE CHURCH FAMILIES
DEVELOP UNITY, BOND
OF LOVE AND CARE FOR
ONE ANOTHER.**

'BELONGING TO A FAMILY OF FAMILIES': FIRST PRINCIPLES IN ACTION

BY R. THINAGARAN RICHARD

"In Chelluru village, Andhra Pradesh, Pastor Sekhar Babu and the El-Shaddai church ministry team shared the gospel to one Applu Raju, who was on his sick bed suffering from HIV due to medical negligence. He, his wife, Bangari Parwath, and their teenaged daughter, Soundariya, were abandoned by their biological families. As the family accepted the gospel, they were baptized into the church. As he was not able to earn for daily living, the

church families provided monthly groceries and helped the girl in her schooling.

"When Applu Raju got strength to move around and started petty works, he met with an accident in the train while crossing the track and died on the spot. The dependent family got some compensation from the railway. As soon as the news spread out, all his relatives schemed to grab the money.



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The church families intervened, protected the two ladies and took care of them. The church leaders guided them to construct a house, as they were living in a mud hut. But the money the family had was not sufficient to build a house. So the church families took their turn, did a major help in daily manual work; some met the financial needs for a particular job like painting, electrical works, carpentry, etc. I, too, visited while the construction was at the finishing stage and painted the windows as my part.

"The church families supported their daughter's education until she got a job. Later the

church families became fully involved in her marriage. At her wedding, the church invited people as 'El-Shaddai Church Families Daughter's Wedding.'

"When I asked them how they got the concept, the pastor Sekhar Babu's wife, Mercy, gladly told me, "This is what you teach us—the church is a Family of Families. We practice it."

"The church pastor and elders lead small groups in the churches through all The First Principles series of BILD."

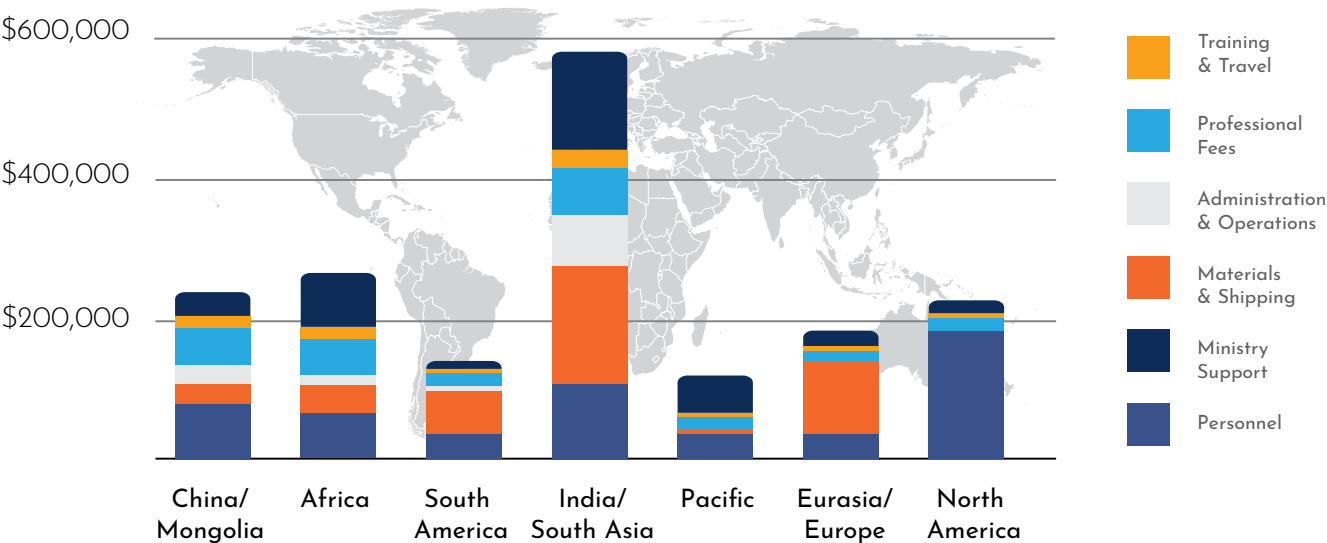


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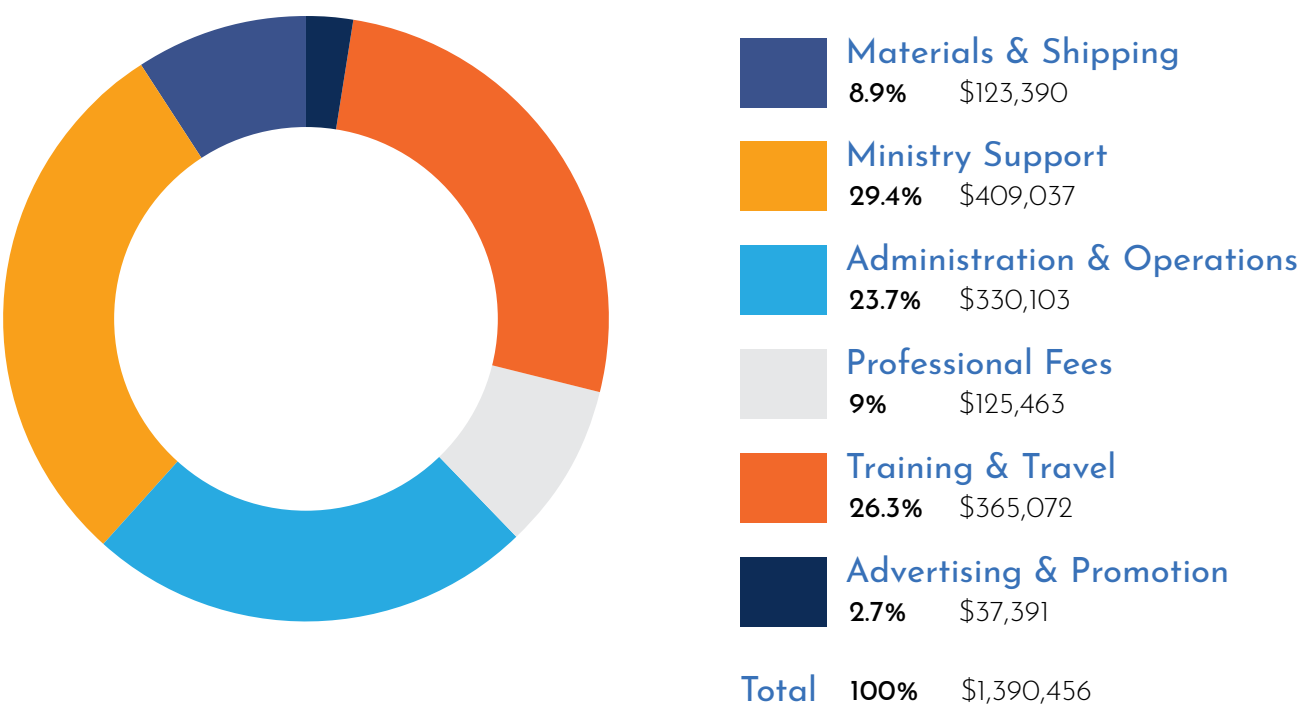
The financial information in this report is from our 2020 audit by Denman & Company, LLP and represents fiscal year 2020 from July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020.

*You are welcome to request a copy of the full audit.
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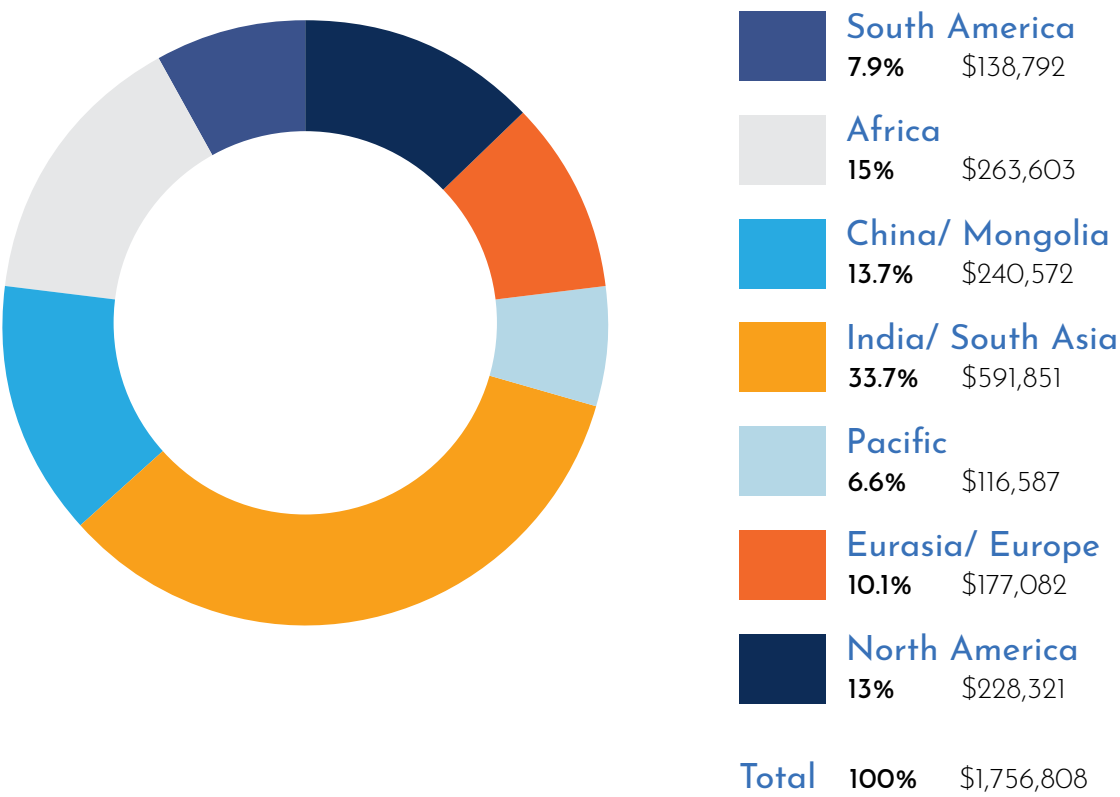
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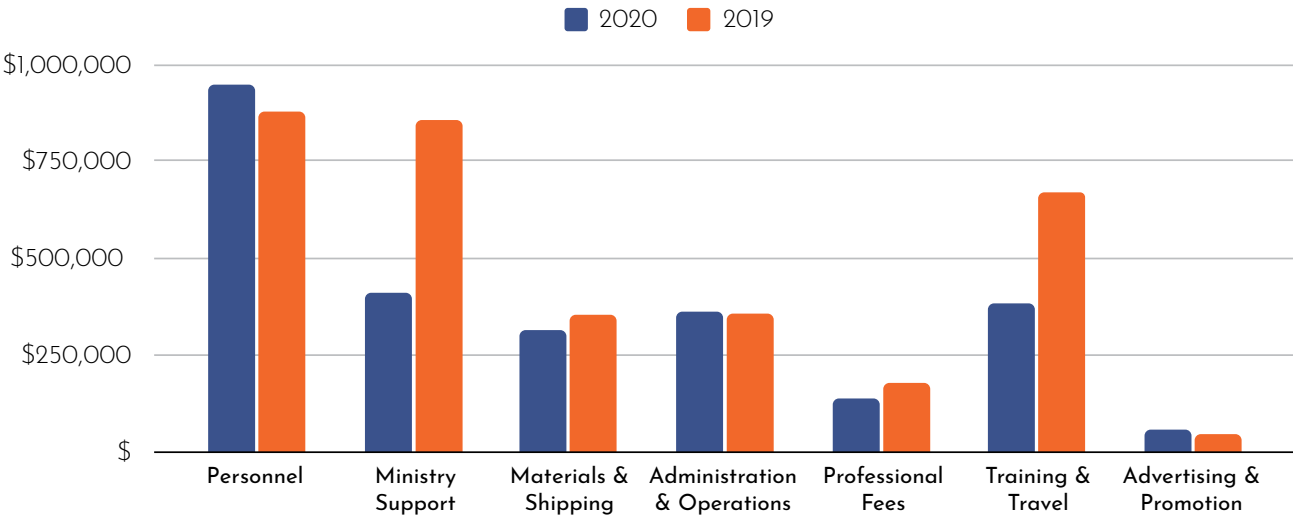
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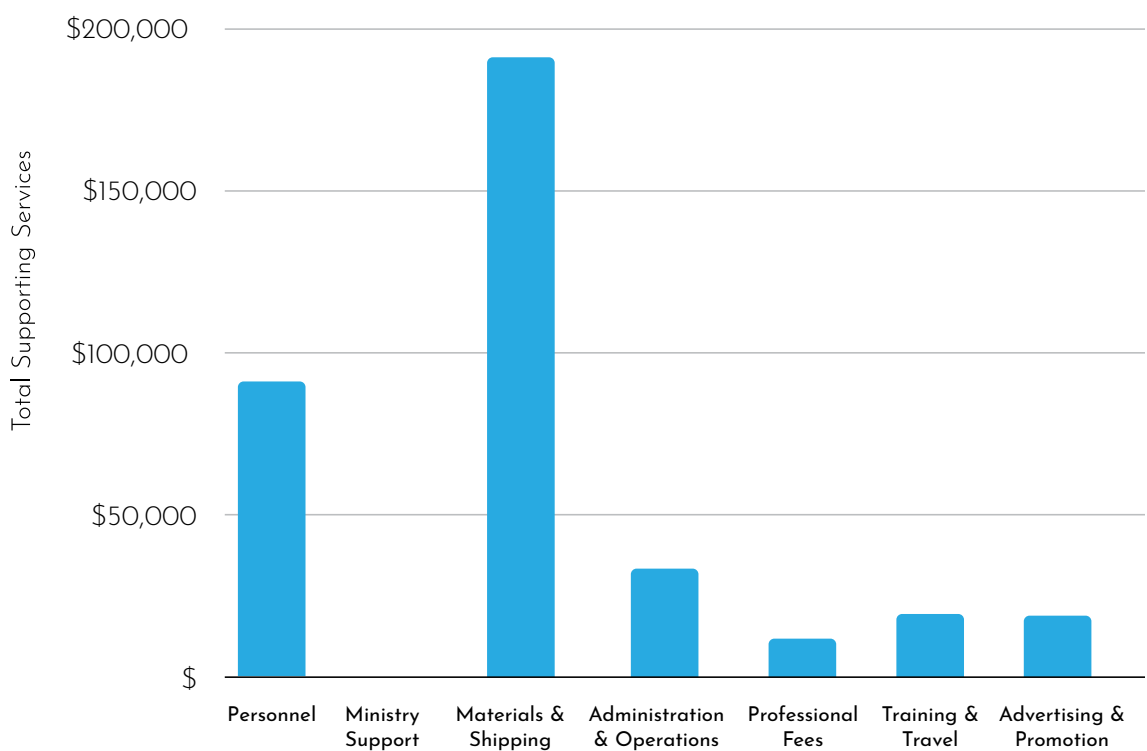
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2020 COMPARED TO 2019 TOTAL EXPENSES¹



TOTAL SUPPORTING SERVICES



¹ Figures represent 2020 fiscal year measured 7/1/2019-6/30/2020

REPORT OF MANAGEMENT

As we continue our efforts to see well-established church-planting movements in each of the nine major civilizations, led by leaders, fully trained in the way of Christ and His Apostles, we are thankful for the gracious provision of God, through a mostly donor-funded ministry. Once again, in fiscal year 2020, BILD was blessed with generosity, faithful prayers, and partnerships.

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, total revenues of BILD International, Inc., were \$2,672,781. This provided the ministry with positive change in net assets of \$54,254 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

We take seriously the responsibility God has given us to be good stewards of the resources He has provided. BILD Leadership is responsible not only for raising funds, but also for carefully planning and controlled spending.

We consider it a privilege to work toward helping build networks of leaders, grass-roots to national, in the way of Christ and His

Apostles, in partnership with church-planting movements in each of the nine major civilizations.



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