



Great Commission Ministries

2007 Annual Ministry Report



...Mobilizing missionaries to serve local churches for the sake of the Great Commission,
through evangelism, discipleship and church planting

Mobilizing Missionaries
for Kingdom Expansion



Dear partner in ministry,

We have had much to praise God for in 2007. His faithfulness to GCM and its missionaries continues to encourage and sustain us. He is truly the Great Provider! It is only through His power that GCM was able to serve churches and mobilize missionaries for the Great Commission.

Our focus in 2007 was on recruiting staff and expanding our partnerships with churches and church networks across the United States and Europe. We held some of our largest New Staff Training classes in recent years. We also redesigned the GCM website and launched MyGCM.org, a website designed to serve donors. This has been a tremendous success, with over half our new recurring donations coming through this site since its launch.

Campus Ministry

In 2007, over 160 GCM missionaries were employed for church-based campus ministry. There was a renewed focus on planting churches on strategic U.S. campuses. Teams were formed and prepared for church plants at Ohio State, Kent State, and Florida State Universities. New Life Christian Fellowship at Virginia Tech started “NLCF Downtown” to serve young professionals and families in Blacksburg. And six men were ordained as pastors or commissioned as deacons for campus church ministry in 2007.

The Leadership Training (LT) program had another successful summer of discipling and training college students. More than 200 students attended LT in one of three locations: Wilmington, NC, Virginia Beach, VA, and Estes Park, CO. IGNITE, the student conference of GCM Churches, was held in December with over 400 in attendance.

Missional / Community Ministry

In 2007, GCM employed nearly 50 missionaries to work in missional churches in the U.S., supplying local churches with staff they could not otherwise support. For these urban and community churches and church plants, 2007

was a year of growth. GCM missionaries helped plant Kairos West in Los Angeles, Vista Community Church in Dublin, OH, and Rio Community Church in El Paso, TX. They also prepared for 2008 church plants in Richmond, VA, and Des Moines, IA.

This year we developed a growing relationship with the Acts 29 church planting network. We were also able to work with a number of independent churches throughout the U.S. Through these partnerships, we have been able to serve missional church plants in Seattle, St. Petersburg, Pittsburgh and New York.

International Ministry

Many of the churches where our international missionaries are serving made transformational steps in 2007. Missionaries serving with Great Commission Europe reaffirmed their desire to be “catalytic” and come alongside nationals to help them start new works, rather than leading these efforts themselves. At the GCM Missionary Retreat in Bled, Slovenia, pastors expressed their desire to see churches become indigenous, self-governing, self-supporting and self-propagating.

A highlight from 2007 was the growth of simple churches in Ukraine, which missionaries like Timmy Powers and Steve Nelson have helped to plant and shepherd. Today, there are GCE churches in Italy, Poland, two in the Netherlands, four in Ukraine, and four in Germany. And a church will be planted this coming year in Pamplona, Spain.

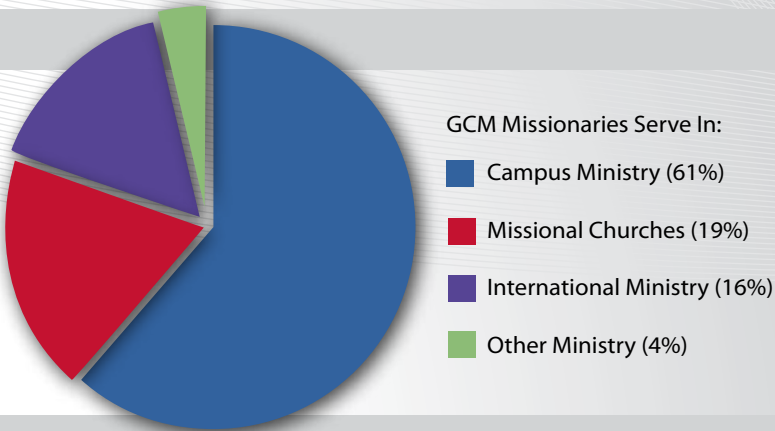
Thank you for journeying with us in 2007. We know it is only Christ’s power that sustains us in the challenges and successes we experience. We look forward expectantly to what God will do in 2008!

Tom

Thomas Mauriello
GCM Executive Director

Missionary Staffing Program

Full-Time Missionaries	185 (65%)
Part-Time Missionaries	97 (35%)
Churches in which GCM missionaries labor	59
Countries in which GCM missionaries labor	10



2007 Financials

Dear friends of GCM,

Thank you for your faithful partnership with Great Commission Ministries. Through your generous giving, God graciously supplies the needed resources for this ministry. We never take this blessing for granted. We take our responsibility to be stewards of these resources very seriously. As such, we want to inform you annually about the finances of the ministry you support.

GCM maintains internal financial controls that assure good stewardship and prudent business practices. The 2007 financial records were audited by the independent certified public accounting firm of Capin Crouse LLP. (A copy of their auditor’s report is available upon request from GCM.) In addition, an Audit Review Committee examines and approves the annual audit. This committee meets twice a year to insure that the highest standards of financial integrity are consistently maintained and that GCM adheres to the requirements of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA).

GCM management is responsible for the financial information presented in this annual report. The surplus from operations of \$144,789 as shown in the 2007 Excess of Support & Revenue Over Expenses Section represents ministry fund surpluses that were raised this past year, but will be eventually spent in 2008.

The ministry of GCM continues to grow and expand because of our loyal ministry partners. As you can see, the majority of our ministry support comes from the contributions of individuals like you. It’s your generosity that allows us to advance the kingdom of God. Thank you for being a vital part of spreading the gospel and helping to fulfill the Great Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Sincerely,

David

David C. Meldrum-Green

Revenues	2006	2007	%
Support - Contributions	\$13,643,844	\$13,544,118	97%
Conference and Program Fees	277,248	373,299	2.7%
Other Revenues	264,846	48,934	0.3%
Total Revenues	14,185,938	13,966,351	100%

Expenses			
Ministries & Programs			
U.S. Ministries	8,172,752	7,600,549	55%
Ministry Team Development	477,113	447,973	3%
Conferences & Events	376,445	393,738	3%
International Ministries	2,516,762	2,537,818	18%
Total Ministries & Programs	11,543,072	10,980,078	79%

Supporting Services			
Management & General	1,159,258	1,353,107	10%
Fund Raising	1,803,599	1,488,377	11%
Total Supporting Services	2,962,857	2,841,484	21%
Total Expenses	14,505,929	13,821,562	100%

Excess (Deficit) of Revenues over Expenses	\$(319,991)	\$144,789
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Detail of 2007 Expenses	Ministries & Programs	Fund Raising	Management & General	Totals	%
Salaries & Benefits	\$9,236,283	*\$1,335,889	\$786,706	\$11,358,878	82%
Travel & Meals	406,730	41,071	57,362	505,163	4%
Occupancy & Facilities	66,779	20,162	190,188	277,129	2%
Professional Fees	13,847	638	77,305	91,790	1%
Office Expenses	187,403	22,380	131,001	340,784	2%
Printing & Postage	36,956	12,955	89,399	139,310	1%
Conference Costs	258,580	23,766	4,021	286,367	2%
Contributions to Ministries	766,479	30,855	50	797,384	5.8%
Miscellaneous Expenses	7,021	661	17,075	24,757	0.2%
Total Expenses	\$10,980,078	\$1,488,377	\$1,353,107	\$13,821,562	100%
	79%	11%	10%	100%	

* Represents allocation of missionary time to fundraising activities, primarily missionary support.

Who We Are

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GCM was founded in 1989 to mobilize staff to plant churches on U.S. college campuses. It has expanded over the years to serve missionaries in international, urban and missional churches and church plants. GCM missionaries are mobilized for the work of evangelism, discipleship and church planting.

As a 501c3 organization, GCM exists to train, employ and serve missionaries as they raise a team of supporters for their GCM ministry. Our services to missionaries include an eight-day intensive training in support-based ministry, personal coaching and follow-up conferences, salary and benefits, reimbursements, technical support, donor services, and grants for fundraising.

As a non-denominational evangelical organization, GCM values the autonomy of the local church and entrusts the spiritual oversight of its missionaries to local church leaders. This allows GCM to focus on what we do best—making ministry a sustainable profession.



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Locations

GCM missionaries serve in these 21 U.S. states:

California
Colorado
Florida
Illinois
Indiana
Iowa
Maryland

Michigan
Minnesota
Missouri
Nebraska
New York
North Carolina
North Dakota

Ohio
Oregon
Pennsylvania
Texas
Virginia
Washington
West Virginia

and in ten countries:

El Salvador
England
Germany
Italy
Netherlands
Poland
Taiwan
Thailand
Ukraine
United States

Memberships



The Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability is an accreditation agency that holds its members to adhere to high standards, focusing on board governance, financial transparency, integrity in fund-raising, and proper use of charity resources. ECFA is comprised of over 2,000 evangelical organizations.



Founded in 1942, the National Association of Evangelicals is a fellowship of member denominations, churches and organizations, speaking with a representative voice, standing for biblical truth, and serving the evangelical community through united action, cooperative ministry, and strategic planning.



Formerly IFMA, CrossGlobal Link serves North American mission organizations and churches that together mobilize 15,500 missionaries. CrossGlobal Link works to establish standards of integrity, foster networking and alliances among organizations, and provide specialized training and leadership development.



Formerly EFMA, The Mission Exchange helps create partnerships between organizations seeking to fulfill the Great Commission. It is closely connected with the NAE. GCM's membership allows us to network with a diversity of organizations through live conferences and training events.