



GREAT COMMISSION MINISTRIES IS BECOMING RELIANT



RELIANT



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Something new is happening. **GCM is becoming Reliant.**

In 2015, Great Commission Ministries (GCM) is adopting a new name. We love the Great Commission. After twenty-five years of ministry, our commitment to Jesus' command to "Go and make disciples..." couldn't be stronger. Yet God has been doing big things with us, and we are beginning a new era—the same vision under a new name. We are becoming **Reliant**.



“ With GCM now becoming Reliant we feel a renewed vision and excitement to communicate how their partnership has made us even more effective in the gospel. GCM has brought an indescribable peace of mind to us over the last ten years. This has allowed us to focus on the Kingdom work of caring for Nigerian orphans and envisioning college students with God’s desire to see all nations reached.”

**-Ade & Jenni Olowo, Texas A&M University
Fellowship Church, Collegiate Church Network**

We Support Missionaries

Reliant makes our vision possible — they care for our families and help donors invest securely so our local network of missionaries and church planters can focus on our call to share the Gospel.

-**Bryan Wiles**, Bowling Green State University
h2o Church, h2o Network Churches



With GCM becoming Reliant, I still know that they are on my team and for the goal of making Jesus impossible to ignore in Athens, GA.

-**Anna Grace Vier**, Athens, Georgia
Christ Community Church, Acts 29 Network

The training and ongoing coaching I have received from Reliant gives me the tools and confidence I need to pursue God's calling to church plant as a support-based missionary.

-**Ed Choy**, Gaithersburg, Maryland
Restoration Church, V3 Church Planting Movement



History

Founded

Founded as the mission agency for the Great Commission Association of Churches.

GCM is created to solve a challenge: how do you plant churches to reach students with the gospel? With help from Campus Crusade for Christ, we launch our first missionary support class for campus church planters.

Growth and Leadership

GCM becomes best known as a leadership network of campus ministries and churches. While we continued missionary support services, we also host large conferences for young leaders and more.

Re-Focusing

As the Great Commission movement matures, it spins off multiple independent church leadership groups with various callings. God leads our board of directors to choose a clear focus: missionary mobilization. GCM begins a new chapter of offering our experience in mission services to like-minded gospel-centered groups in the evangelical world. GCM is no longer a single-association mission agency.

Celebration

2013 marks a move to a new Orlando office and training center and is at the same time our largest missionary training year on record. 2014 finds us at 450 missionaries up from 246 in 2007. We see six straight years of record growth in financial giving.

1989



2001



TODAY



For 25 years, our strength has always been providing missionary support for missional churches, and now we can use it to empower so many others for the next 25. **GCM is becoming Reliant.**



What's New



We partner with many networks, not just one.

Though we were started twenty-five years ago under the Great Commission movement, our expanded mission is to serve like-minded groups wherever they are. As Reliant, we will still serve groups which spun off from our roots, but with an independent board and a heart to partner, our new name better communicates who we are today.



We do more than just campus ministry.

GCM was known for campus ministry, but today we do much more. We serve missionaries who bring the gospel in run-down neighborhoods, who plant churches in living rooms, who wash feet in India. We still love campus missionaries (supporting lots of them!), yet we are broadly engaged, helping churches and nonprofits of all kinds mobilize new support-based agents for mission.



We serve churches, not lead them.

GCM was launched to be a servant agency and not a church or denomination. Yet for years the name "GCM" wasn't well distinguished from "GCM Church." How confusing! Today it's clear: our ministry partners lead their churches in doctrine and ministry practice, while Reliant mobilizes missionaries.

What's The Same

Our commitment to the **gospel of Jesus Christ**, our commitment to **partnership with local ministries**, our commitment to **missionary support** and **donor accountability**—these things are unchanged. In fact, we think our change from Great Commission Ministries to Reliant will give us more focus than ever on helping us to fulfill our role in the Great Commission.

About Reliant

What's in a Name?

Reliant sounds like reliable.

While we wouldn't be anything less, this isn't why we will be Reliant.

To be reliant is to be *dependent*. And so we are!

Reliant on the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ

Dependent on His presence

Living for His mission

Our missionaries who risk for the gospel, our church planters on the front lines, our faithful givers who support the work worldwide—we are all Reliant on the God who made us and who so loved the world. The Great Commission “to go and make disciples” is the ultimate *reliant* mission. We can't think of a better way to say it.



RELIANT

Mission

Reliant partners with missional churches and Gospel-centered nonprofits to mobilize support-based missionaries for the Great Commission.

We are a mission agency. We serve as a hub between local churches, missionaries, and the generous donors who support the work.

Values

Reliant advances God's kingdom by **empowering missionaries**.

(Ps 8:4-6; Acts 13:2-3; John 1:14)

Reliant is a **deacon** ministry, providing a **service-oriented** and **character-driven** foundation for mission. (Acts 6:1-7; 1 Tim 3:8-12)

Reliant is **locally oriented**, coming under the mission of church and ministry leaders "on the ground." (Acts 13:1-3)

Reliant is committed to the highest standards in **financial integrity** and **professional excellence**. (Deut 25:13-16; Matt 25:21;

1 Pet 2:12-17; 1 Tim 3:3,7)

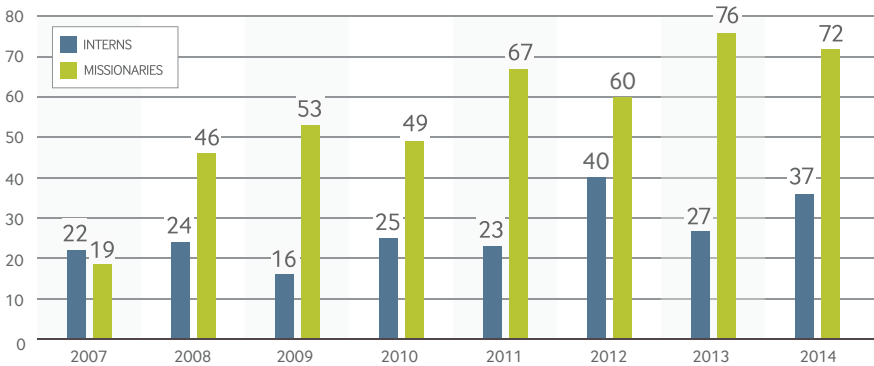
Reliant is invested in the biblical, **missionary-support model for giving**. (2 Cor 8-9, Phil 4:10-20)

Reliant is **church-minded**, honoring and coming under the **Body of Christ**. (Matt 16:18; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Rom 12:4-5)

Reliant is broadly evangelical, **partnering** with those committed to the **Gospel of Jesus Christ** and the mission to make disciples to the ends of the earth. (Matt 28:18-20)

2014 Report: Financial Giving

New Missionaries & Interns Trained



Missionaries in:

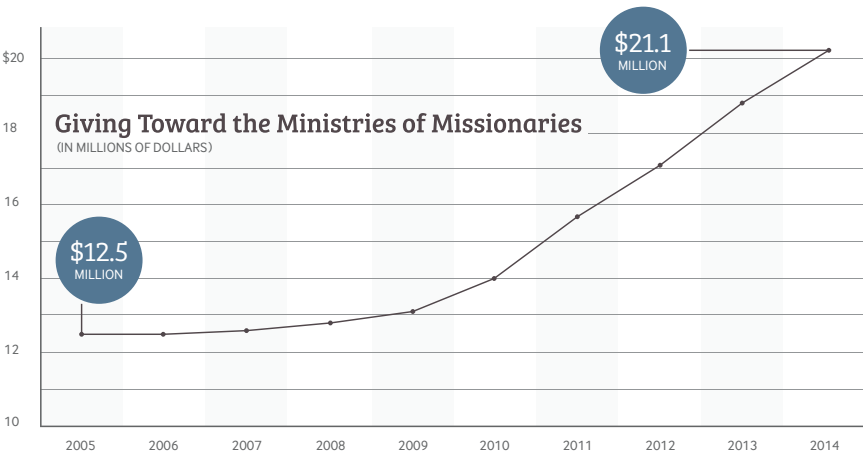


17 COUNTRIES

26 US STATES

131

CHURCHES OR MINISTRIES



CHARITABLE GIVING TOTALS

2014

	AMOUNT	COUNT
Recurring Gifts	\$17,894,362	196,423
Special Gifts	\$3,266,272	11,206
2014 Total	\$21,160,634	207,629

2013

	AMOUNT	COUNT
Monthly Gifts	\$16,140,760	177,167
Special Gifts	\$3,246,985	9,896
2013 Total	\$19,387,745	187,063



David Meldrum-Green, CPA

As GCM becomes Reliant Mission, Inc. —our full legal name— we remain committed to the highest standards of integrity both financially and in governance.

Our Christian board of directors has provided strong leadership as they have directed our legal change to our new name. Reliant Mission is incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio.

Reliant will continue to provide exceptional missionary administrative support at 12% of individual donations and 3% on gifts provided by organizational ministry partners.

As always, our 2014 financial records were audited by Capin Crouse, LLP, a national leader in nonprofit accounting. Their 2014 audit report is available upon request.

David



2014 Report: Mobilization

REVENUES

	2014	2013	CHANGE
Contributions	\$21,160,098	\$19,375,917	⬆ 9%
Conference & Program Fees	\$287,113	\$364,333	⬆ -21%
Investment Income	\$79,594	\$74,729	⬆ 7%
Other Revenues	\$14,739	\$70,697	⬆ -79%
Total Revenues	\$21,541,544	\$19,885,676	⬆ 8%

EXPENSES

Ministries & Programs

U.S. Staff & Ministries	\$ 15,536,186	\$14,193,614	⬆ 9%
International Staff & Ministries	\$2,948,926	\$2,689,096	⬆ 10%
Conferences & Events	\$287,270	\$355,878	⬆ -19%
Total Ministries & Programs	\$18,772,382	\$17,238,588	⬆ 9%

EXPENSES

Supporting Services

Management & General	\$2,377,819	\$2,196,561	⬆ 8%
Total Expenses	\$21,150,201	\$19,435,149	⬆ 9%
Excess over Expenses	\$391,343	\$450,527	

MANAGEMENT & GENERAL BREAKDOWN

	2014	2013
Program Services	77.0%	77.0%
Management & General	9.6%	9.7%
Fund-raising	13.4%	13.3%

Leadership

Tom Mauriello, Executive Director

BOARD MEMBERS

Noel Heikkinen, Chairman

Pastor, Riverview Church
Holt, MI

David Bovenmyer

Pastor, Stonebrook Community Church
Ames, IA

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Wealth Advisors, Canton, MI

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Co-Founder, Ecclesia; Director of Church Planting, V3
Washington, DC

Greg Guevara, JD — Ex Officio

Partner, Bose, McKinney & Evans
Indianapolis, IN



You are changing lives.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT MATTERS.

Our missionaries are responsible to seek 100% of the Reliant-approved funds needed for these critical works. The church planters, campus missionaries, or mission projects you support could not be active with you. We are doing this together. **Thank You.**

Coming Soon: the all new **Reliant.org** with more features for secure giving.

As GCM becomes Reliant, we remain a trusted member of these accountability organizations.



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