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Missions Association (AMA). This is a voluntary association of churches that are collectively ensuring that our 82 African churches (and over 10,000 disciples) receive what they need to flourish and multiply. In fact, our brotherhood has assembled 14 different mission societies to ensure that the gospel continues to spread in every country in the world.

If we waited until all of the work was completed locally before we reached out overseas, we would never go. Instead, we at North River have chosen to balance the multiple responsibilities Jesus has given us: outreach in our own neighborhoods, mission work across the Southeastern U.S., and mission work around the world.

Open doors

God has opened doors for us to serve in Africa. The church in Accra reached out to us and asked for help, friendship, and partnership between our two congregations. Furthermore, Mark Ottenweller directs HOPE *worldwide* in Africa, the Atlanta4Africa Walk-a-thon, and the HOPE Singles Corps to Johannesburg, South Africa. We support the AMA, Steve and Teryl Brand are recruiting couples to go serve, and disciples across the congregation are joining in the Friends of Africa group to find ways to serve.

Please pray for the Snells and the Adkinses and for our campus students who are doing an internship in Accra during the month of June. And please pray for our brothers and sisters in Africa.



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• Watch “Upside Down” Live Stream on July 8

Upside Down Ministry — Friday, 03 June 2016

The musical Upside Down will be available via live stream broadcast on July 8, 2016! Yes, the Friday night performance watched by theatre-goers during Reach2016 will be broadcast live from St. Louis Ferrara theatre all around the world! To get your...

• Space Coast Church Update, May 2016

Tom Kuhn, Brevard County, FL — Friday, 03 June 2016

Martin and Suzanne 3Things have been moving very rapidly on the Space Coast and we are excited to see the hand of God in our work here! Truly the Holy Spirit is powering things along. This year, we have seen...

• Is Oregon Calling You?

Kelly Boyd, Eugene, OR — Friday, 03 June 2016

Are you ready to “step out on faith” to serve? Does the dream to “go anywhere”, “do anything” and “give up everything” still burn inside you? Whether you are young or young of heart, in college or empty nesters, God has the perfect place for you in Oregon! Oregon might sound like “the ends of the earth” to you...

• Volunteer Opportunities at Reach2016

Reach2016 Staff — Sunday, 29 May 2016

Bored Teens? Sign them up to volunteer! If you’ve checked out the Schedule Summary on our website, you already know that all of the conference tracks have content on Thursday, with the exception of the Teens...

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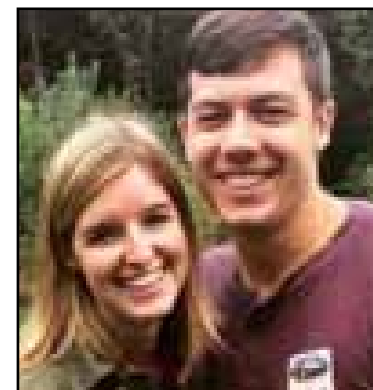
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Why Go Halfway Around The World? Atlanta Partners with Accra

Stephen Adkins — Atlanta, GA

From May 30 to June 28, a team of us from the North River Church of Christ will be serving in Accra, Ghana. Brody and Brooke Snell will lead nine college students for the four-week internship to reach out on the campuses in Accra and to strengthen the church while they do it. I will go for the first week to work together with the leadership of the Accra Christian Church to establish a strong relationship between our two congregations. My daughter Christine is also going, and looks forward to playing with kids in the church’s children’s ministry and learning from the college students in their campus ministry.



But why do we do this? Aren’t there people closer to us who could use the help?

Partnership with others

Jesus commanded us to “make disciples of all nations” (Matthew 28:18-20). It is not acceptable to ignore this command because it seems difficult and more pragmatic to only focus our efforts locally.

In order to accomplish the task of spreading the gospel of Jesus worldwide, we must partner with others. In our fellowship of churches, the Southeastern U.S. churches have traditionally supported Africa. If we do not carry on this work, then who will?

Instead of worrying that the task is too big for us, with faith in our God, we have joined with 20-30 other churches to form the Africa

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• UPCOMING EVENTS

2016 Asian Discipleship Summit

Bali, Indonesia

June 16-19, 2016

2016 North American Discipleship Summit

St. Louis, Missouri, USA

July 7-10, 2016

VII Mexican Conference: Transformation

Monterrey, Mexico

July 29-31, 2016

2016 European Discipleship Summit

Kiev, Ukraine

August 2016

2016 West and Central African Discipleship Summit

Accra, Ghana

August 5-7, 2016

2016 Australian Discipleship Summit

Sydney, Australia

September 23-25, 2016

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