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## 2021 Annual Report





# Letter from the President Bill Snell

## Dear friends,

It is my pleasure to share MVI's annual report once again with you - a simple summary of the amazing ways we saw God work in 2021. Our calling is great - to preach the Good News to the poor, proclaim liberty to the captives, and to bind up the brokenhearted (Isaiah 61:1). In a world filled with pain and loss, we rejoice at every new believer who clings to the hope of Christ. We are confident in God's ultimate plan of redemption, and our mission remains the same: to equip and empower people to spread that message further than they could before.

Whether it is through training, encouragement, or transportation, we seek to use any resources we can to help the gospel go further. Our strategies are as unique and diverse as the world's people and cultures, and I am pleased to share just a few of those stories with you.

On behalf of our Board of Directors, International Leadership Council, trusted partners, missionaries, and staff around the world, thank you for being part of the MVI family. Through your generosity, God's grace is proclaimed around the world. In 2021 we saw more people come into a true relationship with God than ever before, and we rejoice in seeing His Kingdom grow. Please join me in praying for MVI's continued impact in 2022 and beyond.

With deep love and appreciation,



Bill Snell, President  
Missionary Ventures International



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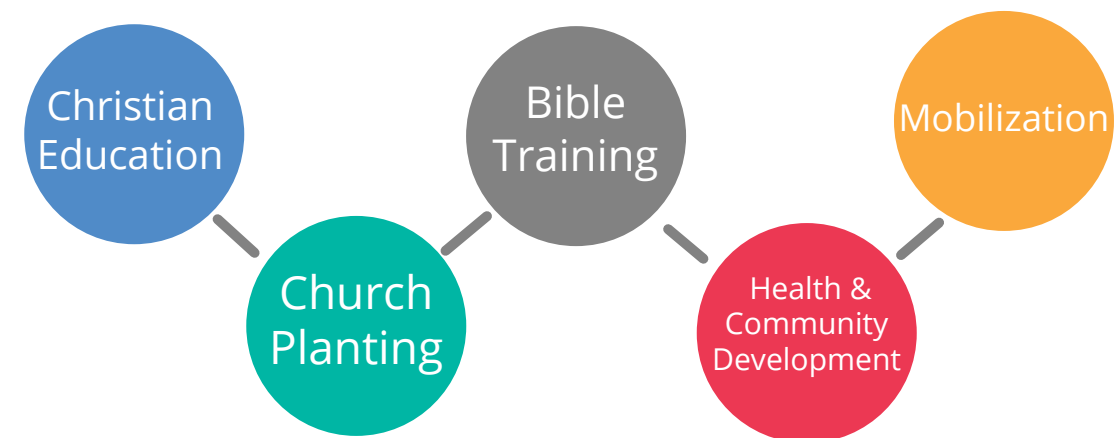
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## A Year of Equipping

In 2021, we increasingly saw people equipped to reach others for Christ and be the hands and feet of Jesus in their community. We were able to empower pastors with transportation, pour into students' lives in Christian schools, and provide for the poor and hurting in some of the world's most impoverished communities. This was all expanded through your gifts to our Core Mission, diversifying your impact and supporting MVI's five ministry initiatives in countries all over the world. In this year's annual report, we show just a small snapshot of how God has been at work through Missionary Ventures around the world. We hope it is encouraging to you and that you'll partner with us again this year.

### 5 Ministry Initiatives



On the Cover:

### Guatemala: An Extra Special Breakfast



Each year MVI missionaries Randy and Brenda Purcell host a special breakfast in Guatemala to encourage and equip local pastors to multiply their ministry. The breakfast couldn't happen in 2020, so 2021 was extra special. There was also an additional blessing this year, as Randy explains: "This event is a bit expensive and Brenda and I were praying about how we would cover the cost. But God always provides for his faithful servants, and miraculously did so for these costs involved. Our daughter manages a barbershop in Tampa, and one day she had a new client. As they talked during the haircut it came up that her parents were missionaries in Guatemala, and the man asked if he might communicate with us. To make a long story short, he was touched by our work with the pastors. He decided to completely fund the entire special breakfast! What a great example of God working through the Body of Christ! This was his response after we wrote him a letter of thanks: "I love to see how God works. My barber retired, I walked into a random shop, making small talk with a young lady and that leads to pastors and their wives being blessed a thousand miles away. You can't make this stuff up!"



## A SUICIDE STOPPED THAILAND

Pastor Somkeat Kellchua (MV Lam Thap Church) received a call from a distressed grandmother saying her granddaughter, who suffered from depression, had tried to take her own life by ingesting poison.

Pastor Somkeat is one of our MVT (Mission Ventures Thailand) pastors who have received MV motorbikes to help them expand their ministries. He often shares about Jesus with people in remote areas of the surrounding rubber plantations and brings people to church on his bike that's fitted with a sidecar. Through the pandemic, he also delivered food and clothing to needy families.

When the grandmother called Pastor Somkeat in desperation about her granddaughter, Gita, he immediately took Gita to the nearest hospital on his bike where the doctors were able to save her life.

Pastor Somkeat and others spoke to Gita about God's love for her and assured her how valuable she was to God and others. They urged her not to try to take her life again. Their words broke through her depression, and her life began to change. An amazing transformation occurred as she gave her life to Jesus. She has now gone back to school and even began leading worship at the Lam Thap church.



## EQUIPPED FOR IMPACT MEXICO

In the Yucatán Peninsula, Maria had tried to share with her community about the life-changing message of Jesus without much fruit. Then through MVI missionary Gamaliel Gonzalez, Maria was empowered with evangelism training along with equipment to show the Jesus film.

Maria's neighbors were excited to watch the film, and many became new believers in Christ. They now meet together to study the Bible.

"I am very happy," says Maria, "people are receiving the message with willing hearts."

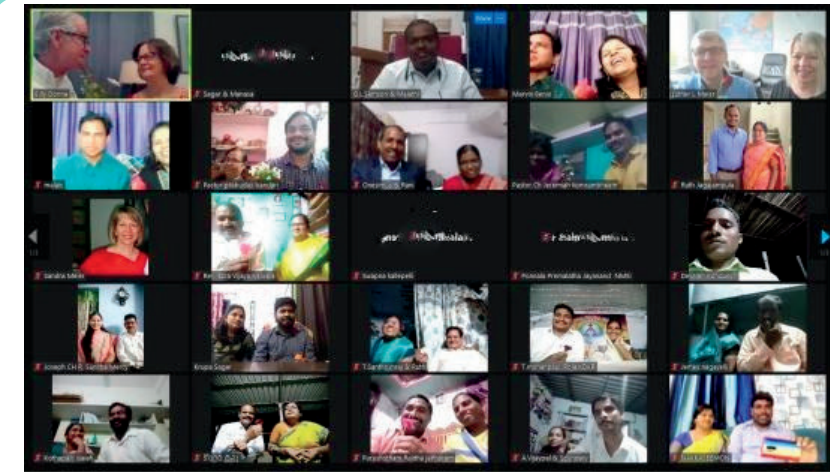


# STORIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

## RESTORING MARRIAGES BY ZOOM INDIA

*"No one has counseled us this personally before. Though it was online, it felt very personal and transformational in our marriage life."*

- Indian pastor



In India, MVI missionary Malaki and his wife found that too many local pastors and ministry leaders were not valuing their marriages the way they should. Despite being ministry leaders, many of them were viewing their marriages with cultural assumptions instead of biblical views.

Malaki wanted to change this despite limited options during this time of Covid. He decided to host a virtual marriage conference two hours a day for five days. To teach, he invited two other MVI missionary couples to join him.

They taught biblical truths and shared practical experiences about the importance of marriage within ministry work.

Malaki had originally hoped for a few participants, and was astounded when nearly 80 couples joined. They flooded him with praise about how it changed their marriages, and scheduled another marriage conference for 2022.



# 2021 IMPACT

Each one of these numbers increased from last year. Find out more at [mvi.org/impact](https://mvi.org/impact).

72  
Nations  
Impacted

267

Christian schools  
engaged

603

Leaders equipped  
with transportation

3,688

Bible school  
students

1,427

Ministries  
Equipped

19,926

Vulnerable women &  
children served

11,830

Leaders  
Empowered

1.5 million  
New Believers

## Will you help us increase our impact?

Generous donors like you are the reason we can serve and equip so many people around the world. The best way to make a worldwide impact for the gospel is through support of MVI's Core Mission. In 2020, we launched two new Core giving groups: Team25 and the President's Circle. If you're not already a member, will you consider joining one of these groups with a gift to Core Mission today? If you can't commit to one of these annual amounts, please know a gift of any amount is powerful and much appreciated. With your generosity and God's leading, we can have a strong worldwide impact in 2022.

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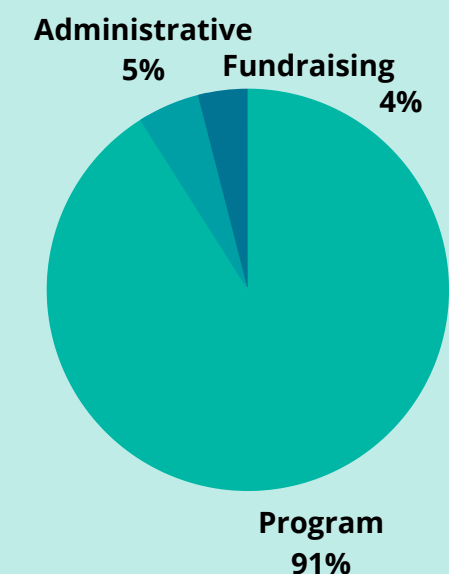
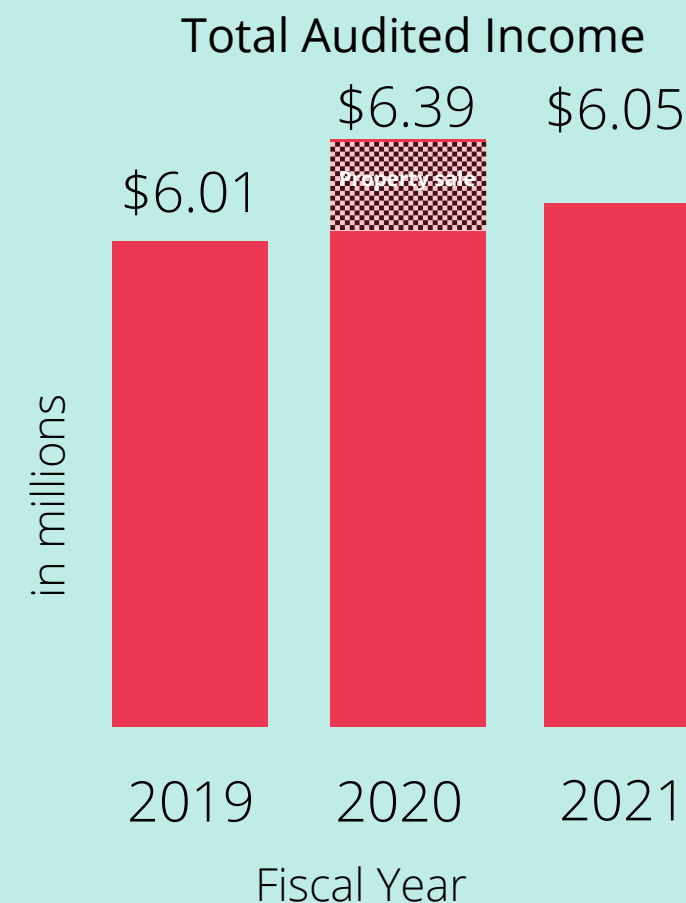
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