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Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

Greetings from the Global Great Commission Network. Thank you for your interest in “seeing every people group reached and in the process of being disciplined in our generation.”

Dr. Ralph Winter, a well-known missiologist, founded the U.S. Center for World Mission (USCWM) and was instrumental in many mission initiatives over his influential life. Before his death on May 20, 2009, a significant part of Dr. Winter's focus in his last years was on the need for a global-level cooperative association focused on how to best finish the global task of missions. In 2006 and 2007 Dr. Winter presented the vision for a 2010 meeting in the pattern and celebration of Edinburgh 1910, and a planning committee was established for the Global Mission Consultation and Celebration - From Edinburgh to Tokyo. Dr. Winter was closely involved in the planning of Tokyo 2010 up until his death. Dr. Winter did not live to see the fulfillment of this vision, but Tokyo 2010 was successfully held in May 2010 attended by 1000 international delegates and a total attendance of 2000.

From the beginning, the Tokyo 2010 Global Mission Consultation was not intended to be an end in itself, but the beginning of a movement and network to see all peoples disciple in our generation. With this vision, the planning committee took steps to create the Global Great Commission Network – *Carrying Tokyo 2010 Forward*. It is with this background that the Global Great Commission Network (GGCN) continues to develop as a grassroots, cooperative movement.

Since 2011, a GGCN coordinating team has been working steadily and seeking the Lord about how to best pursue this vision of a global, cooperative effort focused on least reached peoples. Significant progress has been made, with initial efforts focused on providing collaborative, online tools that can be freely provided and used at the grassroots level by associations, agencies, churches, individuals, networks and other ministries globally. These include GCnetwork, a secure missions collaboration tool, an online Discipleship Survey, and a third tool designed to facilitate cooperation around the remaining unreached people groups. We are also encouraged that a national expression of GGCN is now functioning in India and GGCN coordinating teams are in the process of being formed in various other nations.

The vision and purpose statements of the network are as follows:

## **VISION STATEMENT**

Our vision is to see every people group reached and in the process of being disciplined, in our generation

## **PURPOSE STATEMENT**

The Global Great Commission Network exists for the purpose of:

- Enhancing the effectiveness of Great Commission endeavors around the globe
- Serving associations, agencies, churches, individuals, networks and other ministries globally who share in our vision
- Providing a place for like-minded Great Commission endeavors to connect, communicate and collaborate
- Developing and freely providing tools and training, including online collaborative platforms that facilitate cooperative efforts
- Encouraging resources, ideas, tools and strategies to be shared widely, especially those resources that are digital, versatile, free and broadly available
- Stimulating worldwide mission efforts by encouraging broad collaboration, not to compete with, but to serve and support Great Commission endeavors

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To date GGCN has functioned with minimal financial obligations and through the personal sacrifice and expense of the global and national coordinating teams. However, there is now a need to be more intentional about financial needs and opportunities. Specifically, the priority need now is:

1. \$5000 for initial IT set-up work per recommendations to transfer our online systems and tools to an adequate platform for promotion and further development.
2. \$1000/month for expanded, ongoing expenses including an expanded internet presence and other costs of promoting and developing GGCN.

We would like to ask that you consider being part of this opportunity. I am available to take any questions you may have. Any financial contribution should be sent as follows:

Helps Ministries, 573 Fairview Road, Asheville, NC 28803. Attach a note with the check identifying the Global Great Commission Network as the intended designation of your contribution.

For online gifts, access the online contribution option at: <http://www.helpsmission.org/donate/> and find Global Great Commission Network under Affiliated Program.

Thank you for your willingness to participate in the unfinished task of the Great Commission. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely in Christ,

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