



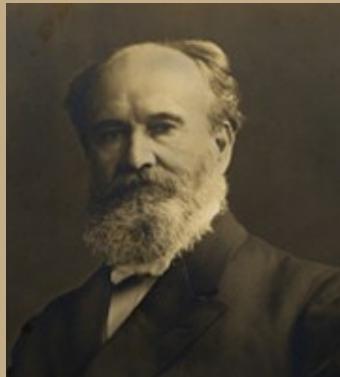
# LIFE NEWS

## ALL OF *Jesus* FOR ALL THE WORLD

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Missions are at the core of the Christian and Missionary Alliance. It is even in our name. From the very beginning, A.B. Simpson, our founder, has been about reaching lost people for God both locally through evangelism and globally through missions.



It wasn't about one or the other. It was to be a partnership of Christians and Missionaries. There was this hope that everybody would do their part to preach all of Jesus (Savior, Healer, Sanctifier, and Coming King) to all the world ...especially to the least reached people.

All of Jesus for All the World has been the slogan for our missions for a while. This year, at our conference, there was a slight modification, "All of Jesus for All the World takes All of Us." God hasn't called just a few to participate in the Great Commission but everyone in his church, whether you are five years old or 105 years old. There is a song I teach children about participating in missions called "I am a Missionary Helper," and it talks about three main ways we can participate in missions. These three things are praying, giving, and going.

Prayer is primary in all that we do, but especially in missions. There are lots of ways we can pray for our Parkside-supported international workers (safety, open doors, etc.). If you want specific ways to pray, you can contact the church to see how to get our international workers individual prayer lists. They send emails often, allowing us to target our prayers. If you want a prayer list of what the CMA is doing around the world, you go to <https://cmalliance.org/pray/> and sign up for the weekly prayer requests. You get a glimpse of how to pray for almost every region of the world.

Giving is also a way we can support our missionaries. The main way to give is to write on your offering envelope either the name of the international worker in the memo line or put Great Commission Fund. The Great Commission fund is where the money goes to the workers who need it the most. GCF helps workers worldwide and is largely how missions are funded in our denomination. This frees our workers up to do more ministry-related things than having to raise money all the time.

The final way to participate is going, and I am going to add sending. We want to be a church that is involved in God's work around the world. This means that there will be some of us who actually pack a bag and go as we, as a church, send them around the world. This could be either a short-term trip like we did this summer or a long-term one, as

historically, we have partnered with people from the Christian and Missionary Alliance overseas.

The question is not, are you going to participate in missions, but how? How is God calling you to pray and give? Is He calling you to go? All of Jesus for all the world takes ALL of us.

Matthew 28:18-20: "Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

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