

## **January 2021 Update**

Igniting Faith . . . Initiating Change . . . Impacting Communities



Hello friends! This first month of 2021 has been filled with many changes for FLAG. We are excited about all God is doing in and through our ministry.

**Expanding Digital Missions**. Groups are core to fulfilling our mission to connect lawyers to God, grow their faith, and send them out to impact their communities for Christ. This month, our global online community of lawyers met to discuss how to steward our work for God's glory. During our discussion, the lawyers expressed they wrestle with whether their work has significance. We considered how our work is part of God's plan for human flourishing and the common good. Please pray God will continue to give these lawyers insight into how their work contributes to God's purposes on Earth.

We are excited about the opportunities God is bringing our way to start additional groups this year. This month, we have begun discussions about starting new groups of lawyers in the Ivory Coast, the UK, and Hong Kong. In addition, we expect to start new groups of law students in the United States next month.

January also marked the beginning of our "new" online global prayer gathering with lawyers called "Connection". Our theme for Connection in 2021 is "Look Up" based on Psalm 121. Each month we invite lawyers in our global movement to look up to God for help and strength, asking Him to transform lives through the power of the gospel to impact cities, nations, and the world for Christ.

**Other News**. John officially took on the role of executive director of FLAG this month. To commemorate this change, Bob Trierweiler, the former director, literally passed the leadership baton to John (see photo above).

## Please pray with us that God will:

- grant us favor as we work to expand groups of lawyers and law students meeting around the world
- draw many lawyers to our monthly "Connection" prayer gatherings and inspire these lawyers to share the gospel with others
- continue to give us unity of heart and mind with our European partners as we invite speakers to the September 2022 conference in Cambridge, UK (update coming next month)
- provide wisdom and favor to grow and expand the FLAG ministry under John's leadership
- help Maddie transition to the Accounting program at UCF, and Anne to identify colleges she would like to attend after high school

Thank you for partnering with us. We appreciate your prayers and generosity as we continue to advance the gospel with lawyers around the world.



Family News. Maddie started her classes this month at UCF and is enjoying having more courses in her major. She started attending a Cru small group on her campus, even though her classes are all online. Anne continues to study online as well. She enjoys working with children and is planning to major in elementary education. Anne is getting some experience working with kids as a volunteer with our church's children's ministry. She is planning to start visiting colleges in February.

## Resources for Growth

We are developing a new discussion for lawyers based on the book *Love Does* by Bob Goff. This book will inspire you to "love your neighbor" in incredible ways. You can buy *Love Does* at Amazon or anywhere books are sold.

