

Hey from Steve & Connie Larson

2022 Report and 2023 Forecast



2022 has been a packed, blessed, challenging, and fruitful year all rolled into one. In October, coming home from Israel, I caught Covid and had to miss my November trip to Liberia. God was gracious and the Covid just lasted a week, though it took another two weeks to regain my strength. I just returned from Nepal where I trained about 60 Pastors, Church Planters, and Leaders on developing a Disciple making lifestyle. Here is a report on this year and then a brief forecast of, Lord willing, what is coming up for the next year.

2023 is shaping up to be an exciting year. I'm planning on trips to Liberia, 4 trips to Nepal, Rwanda and going to a new country in Africa: Barundi! We are also scheduling Marriage and Parenting workshops. If you would like to have us at your church or community group. E-mail us at connieglarson@gmail.com. God is using these workshops in a powerful way!

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Liberia

When I think of Liberia, I think of God's grace in the ministry of MAF (Mission Aviation Fellowship) Their Cessna cuts our travel time to Tappita from 9 difficult hours to 40 minutes! Pastor Dwanyen Kerdoo has become a dear friend and our time teaching Pastoral Ministry was so fruitful. We also opened up a new area in a town called Karnplay. It is a very rural town that is about a 7 hour drive from Monrovia. The response was so amazing, we are planning on returning at our next opportunity.



Dwanyen & Steve
in Tappita



Steve teaching in
Karnplay



Rwanda

Connie and I were in Rwanda together and then in May, I returned alone. Connie had the joy of sharing with women leaders and Pastors' wives the challenge of being a woman in ministry. I took both trips to teach through the book of Romans. We've been coming to Rwanda for 3 years now and our friendships are deepening and our influence is growing



What an amazing blessing to teach in two locations to two very different groups - Anglican Pastors (below) and Nazarene Pastors (left).



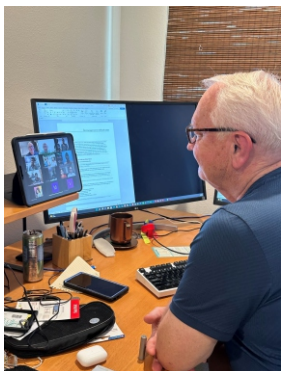
Nepal

I am teaching my third class with these two groups. They are younger, youth pastors and leaders who are preparing to become church planters. What an exciting group to teach. I'm becoming great friends with them and I'm sharing what I've learned from God's Word and my life experience about making disciples. I am planning 4 trips in 2023 so they can graduate this coming year.



Sri Lanka

Arranging conferences in Sri Lanka has been difficult due to the turmoil in the nation, but I had the opportunity to work with my friend Bernard Kosta to encourage Pastors via Zoom. It was so great to reconnect with these friends that I haven't been able to see in over a year.



Israel



In October, Connie and I were privileged to lead a group from Anthem where Matt (our son) is Pastor. It was an amazing experience for all who came! We're looking to take another group back this next year!

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Personal

Note from Connie: 2022 has been a blessed year for me. I have seen the Lord work in me, for me, and through me. While Steve traveled during the year, the Lord opened up opportunities for me to disciple, teach, mentor and counsel many women. These relationships bring my heart such joy. I love seeing these women get excited about living their lives for Jesus and finding the peace and joy of walking with Him each day. Steve and I have also enjoyed leading a Community Group of 25-40 somethings (they keep us young) and doing premarital counseling with several couples.



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