

# Our World Mission

## News on our RCUS Foreign Missions

### Westminster Biblical Missions

Westminster Biblical Missions (WBM) was formed in 1973 in response to requests from Reformed believers in Korea and Pakistan asking for theological training so that they, not foreign missionaries, might do the work of reaching their countrymen for Christ. A small group of men in the United States responded to this request by creating WBM which would be committed to providing the training and guidance needed for nationals to plant and multiply Reformed churches in their home countries which would be true to the Word of God and the Reformed faith. Westminster Biblical Missions receives its name from its commitment to a Biblical approach to missions and its understanding of the Bible as set forth in the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms. The role of WBM would not be that of doing the work so much as that of showing nationals how to do it—training them to stand in the Faith, defend the Faith, and spread the Faith so they would establish self-supporting, self-governing, and self-propagating churches. This approach keeps national churches from dependency on foreign aid, has far greater results than anything a foreign missionary force could accomplish on its own, is incredibly cost-effective and, if the door should close to foreigners, allows the work will go on unhindered.



Now, as WBM soon celebrates its 50th anniversary, new fields have been added along with the original work in staunchly Muslim Pakistan, which has since grown to nearly fifty congregations in Lahore, Faisalabad and Islamabad served by approximately forty pastors each of which received their training for the ministry at the Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Lahore. This work has also added five Calvin's Academies with a total enrollment of nearly 2,260 students which provide a Christian education to normally illiterate poor children so that they can read the Scriptures. New work continues in both Hungary and Romania, focused on the Hungarian-speaking people of Transylvania (northwest Romania), an original haven of the Reformed faith after the Reformation where the former communist regimes sought to snuff that light out. In Mexico City and west-central Mexico, WBM supports local mission churches among the P'urepecha people and Juan Calvino Seminary. And recently WBM began using Zoom to conduct training classes among believers in central and western Nepal and built a Mercy Center. In the coming months, more will be shared about each of these various works.



Westminster Biblical Missions greatly appreciates its relationship with the RCUS, which began 40 years ago when the now WBM General Secretary Rev. Dennis Roe joined the RCUS and began serving with WBM. That relationship fully blossomed 15 years ago when the RCUS officially sanctioned the support of WBM by making them a recipient of Denominational guideline giving. Even more blessed yet to this work is the amazingly generous individual member and church support the RCUS has provided over the years that has enabled WBM to build churches and schools to reach thousands with the gospel of Jesus Christ. The fields are truly white with harvest. Thank you for the many ways you have greatly blessed and encouraged each person who works for and is served in the name of Jesus by Westminster Biblical Missions (WBMINC.ORG).

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