



World Mission Budget (Emphasis: Unusual Opportunities) September 9, 2023 APPEAL

Please read the following appeal to the congregation before collecting the World Mission Offering to help the Unusual Opportunities fund:

APPEAL: God works in wonderful ways to open doors to spread His message of love and faith around the world. And our offerings are allocated to be able to meet the needs of new ministries. But what happens when carefully planned evangelistic meetings are successful way beyond expectations. Suddenly existing churches overflow, and new churches must be built, rented, or purchased—fast. But that costs money—money way beyond the planned amount the division has set aside before the evangelist meetings began. How can the division provide church homes that new believers need to grow spiritually?

For years our church has been blessed with radio and television programs expanding across the world. New stations are sprouting across the world, and new languages are reaching thousands of new listeners every year. But this expansion requires more equipment, more staff, and more satellite time. When an unexpected opportunity opens, allowing the church to reach out to an otherwise unreachable region of the world, how does the church provide the funds to make such a giant step for God?

God has impressed the church to make a way to prepare for the unexpected by taking up a once-a-year offering to build a fund that will be available when such unexpected blessings come to God's people. It's called Unusual Opportunities Offering. And today is our opportunity to build up that fund so the church is ready when God says "yes" to our prayers.

God has many plans to reach others for His kingdom. Let's do our part to be ready when the opportunity comes to reach out for God today.

PRAYER: Dear Lord, we know you love a cheerful giver. Move us, we pray, to respond with speed to your call to give generously to further your work.