



Keepin' up with the Joneses



Sending and serving missionaries to the ends of the earth

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Captivated and Compelled

The love of Christ has a dual effect. It draws us in to a love relationship with the triune God of the universe. It also sends us out. It moves us to go and be a part of what God is doing in the world. Christ's love both constrains us and compels us.

It is always exciting and encouraging to see new believers who have recently been drawn into relationship with God by the love of Christ also be compelled to move toward others with that same love. Two recent examples of this happening in the Middle East stick out to us:

“Callie” - Callie is a student in the Levant region. We held our briefing event in her home country this year. The purpose of the event is to provide some location-specific training to the dozens of new missionaries just reporting to this part of the world. In the past few years, the ministry in Callie's home country has gone from almost no visible fruit to a thriving, student-led movement. This is a result of Jesus' love not only captivating the hearts of these students but also compelling them to share the love of Jesus with others. Even though they are young believers, Callie and another student whom she is discipling came to the event to train the new US missionaries how to share their faith in countries like theirs.



Callie and her disciple being prayed over at the briefing in their country

“Hayden” - Hayden's social media posts used to be centered on the sadness of life, pain, darkness, and the hell he felt inside of him. That is until he started attending church events and the student ministry events our staff in his country hosted. He received Christ and decided to intern with our team in his country. This once shy, hopeless, and despairing student now shares his faith boldly and even helped lead a evangelistic project to another city.



Hayden (far right) with other students in his country

Please join us in praying that these students, and those like them, would continue to simultaneously be captivated by the love of Jesus and compelled to share it with those around them.

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