“We will live for the bigger picture – taking action globally and locally”

Mission of TFH: “The Father’s House exists so that those who are far from God will find life in Christ”

[Matthew 28:18-19]

“Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit”

God hasn’t called us to go in our own strength. He has designed us to be empowered by the Holy Spirit.

[Acts 1:8]

“... you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”
4 Reasons We Don’t “Go”—
1. Our lives are full.
2. We don’t think we can afford it.
3. Our pace of life makes us tired.
4. We don’t think it will do any good.

[Acts 1:8]
“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

God didn’t want us to accomplish the Great Commission without the power of the Holy Spirit!

[2 Corinthians 9:7]
“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”

[Romans 10:13-15]
“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” 14 How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? 15 And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Life is Short. Eternity is Real. People matter most

FOR MONDAY—

1. Pray about a way that you can take action locally and globally. (prayer, financial support, social justice, etc.)
2. Take a next step toward serving your “Samaria”: pray for a softened heart, jot down what would build a bridge, or evaluate what needs might be there.
1. Where are some places to which you have travelled with a specific purpose (non-leisure)? What were you hoping to accomplish?
2. What does it look like to live for the bigger picture?
3. Considering Acts 1.8, what are your Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and ends of the earth (your local place, your greater region, a place or people with which you have apprehension, and somewhere far away)?
4. Who are some people that have carried the Gospel to you? What did that look like?
5. When have you felt empowered by the Holy Spirit to share your faith? What led into those conversations?
6. Pray that God would never let the impact in our communities and partner nations grow old in our hearts. Ask God to keep our giving, our going, and our growing in obedience sacred and sacrificial.