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others to do
the same!



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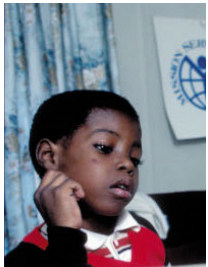


*Sharing Christ
Meeting Needs*

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Welcome to your mission field!



What is Literacy Missions?

The primary purpose of a literacy missions ministry is to intentionally share the gospel of Jesus Christ as we

minister to individuals' literacy needs.

Who is our mission field?

Our mission field includes adults born and raised in the United States that either cannot read, or struggle with reading and writing. It includes children and youth that cannot read and have fallen through the cracks of the system, or they're struggling and desperately need help with their school-work. It includes internationals living here in our state who want to learn the language, but lack either the resources or the opportunity to receive the instruction they need.

It is people living next door, around the corner, or down the street from you, right now!

How great is the need?

Did you know that:

- Wisconsin has a population of over 5.5 million people...including over 1 million adults who qualify for adult literacy or English language services.
- Approximately 19% of Wisconsin adults, age 16 or older, are not enrolled in school and do not have a high school diploma.
- Over 7% of Wisconsin residents speak a language other than English in their homes, that's over 368,000 people.
- 70% of prison inmates function below the level of a high school graduate.
- Four of five incarcerated juvenile offenders read two years or more below grade level...many of them are functionally illiterate.



The need is great, but there is an even greater need that statistics don't reveal:

The need for Jesus Christ!

What can we do?

Jesus told his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." -Matthew 9:37-38

We can pray!

But it doesn't stop there. When we pray in faith, we trust that God will answer. That means that even now, He is calling workers to send into the fields!

Could He be calling you?

Are you qualified?

You don't need to be a professional teacher. You don't need to speak a foreign language. You simply need to be a Christ-follower...

are you qualified?

What to do next?

The Southern Baptist Convention has been involved with Literacy Missions since 1959...that's 50 years!

There are workshops available to equip you to minister in the areas of Adult Reading and Writing, Tutoring Children & Youth, or English as a Second Language ministries.

Contact your Literacy Missions Coordinator and get more information!

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