Why missions?

It’s all for Jesus
It’s biblical
It’s historical
It’s our identity
It’s our response
It’s our inheritance
It’s strategic
It’s intentional
It’s imperative

... and Jesus is absolutely worthy!
Outside a relationship with Christ, humankind is eternally lost (John 6:40; Acts 4:12; Romans 6:23). God chose us to tell those who haven’t yet heard that through Jesus Christ there is genuine hope available (2 Cor. 5:18-20; 1 Cor. 3:9). The missionary example and mandate of Jesus is clear.* First Alliance Church takes seriously this God-given assignment reflecting our middle name, “missionary” (Christian & Missionary Alliance). Our goal is to be Christ-Centered, Spirit-Empowered and Mission-Focused in all we do.

Among all we have contact with — whether near or far — we want to multiply worshipers of Jesus Christ. To facilitate this FAC provides training and opportunities for you to be involved right where you are and wherever you may go. This includes praying, giving and physical involvement.

We tell people about Jesus because He is the only lasting hope for today and for eternity. We do relief and social justice work because Jesus tells us to love our neighbours —and our enemies — the same way we love ourselves. So, consider God’s agenda for the Church and you may well end up discarding smaller ambitions! *Mathew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:47; John 20:21; Acts 1:8; Matthew 5:43-45
Where in the World do we work?
The Alliance uses four labels for our international focus: Desert Sand (north portion of Africa), Asian Spice (South East and Far East of Asia), Silk Road (Europe, Central Asia, Middle East, Arabian Peninsula) and Caribbean Sun (mostly Central America and Caribbean).

To complete the “S” theme we use Sea to Sea to identify outreach endeavours in Canada.

The Alliance Global Ministries exists to glorify God by developing indigenous movements of reproducing churches among least-reached people groups.
FAC International Partnerships

First Alliance Church is currently involved in **four key partnerships** with its goal to focus on the least reached peoples of the world:

- North Africa
- Democratic Republic of Congo
- Arabian Peninsula
- Bali, Indonesia

These partnerships are in the **Desert Sand, Silk Road** and **Asian Spice** regions. They include ministries as varied as community outreach, evangelism, church planting, leadership development, international church development, construction, compassion and social justice, International Worker team support, prayer ministries, teaching, etc. **How does God want you to get involved?**
Eligibility for Global Projects

To participate in our Global Projects we ask that applicants are:

1. **Connected & growing.** These are FAC’s first two “life marks” (or values) and each person will be asked for a referral from one of our ministry staff or from the leader of the Global Project you’re interested in.

2. **Serving in Calgary.** Normally, applicants should be serving in Calgary, as preparation to serve on a Global Project.

3. In a **healthy financial situation.** Participants will be asked to pay one-third of the Project cost up front and raise the balance of funds through their network of family and friends.

4. In **good spiritual, physical, and emotional condition.**

5. **Able to commit** to team goals, orientation and debrief sessions.

*Prayerfully consider your involvement in one of this year’s Global Projects. If you are feeling led to get involved, contact us: globalimpact@faccalgary.com / 403-212-8847.*
Short-Term Missions

First Alliance Church is involved in numerous *Short-Term Missions*. These outreach trips vary from year to year in focus and location but the goal is to be of strategic assistance using the skills and energy of people like you for a shorter period of time (two weeks to two years). These teams raise their own funds and use vacation time to share God’s love beyond our borders. Get involved by praying for these team members, helping to support them financially or applying to actually work with them.
guide to global projects

In order to help match you to the project you’re most suited to, the following information is provided for each trip:

**Type of Work**
- Disaster Response
- Medical
- Construction
- Mentoring
- Teaching / Preaching
- Evangelism
- ESL
- English
- Vision Trip
- Children’s Ministry
- Justice / Compassion
- Variety

**Level of Experience**

1. **Green (Level 1)**
   - This is a great introduction to serving on a Global Project and is generally open to all qualified applicants

2. **Blue (Level 2)**
   - This trip requires specialized skills

3. **Yellow (Level 3)**
   - Ministry experience in personal evangelism, teaching and preaching needed

4. **Red (Level 4)**
   - This trip is by invitation as we are looking for specific people to fill defined roles
Training Opportunities

- **KAIROS Missions Training (9-Week Course) at FAC**
- **KAIROS Missions Training (1-Week Intensive Course) at Ambrose University** (May 4-8, 2015)
- **D.A.R.T. (Disaster Assistance Response Training)** occasional
- Various local volunteer opportunities through FAC

Tentative Short-Term Missions Options

- **Haiti** (Construction & Christmas Kids’ events)
- University Short-Term Mission (Reading Week)
- High School Short-Term Mission (Spring Break)
- Democratic Republic of Congo (July)
- Belarus English Camp (August)
- Moldova English Camp (August)
- North Africa/Arabian Peninsula Prayer Team
- North Africa Preaching Opportunities
- Natural Disaster “FAC First Responders” (as needed)
- Study Arabic (on site)
- Vision Trips
- Youth/Music/Discipling Internships (Partner Regions)
- Harper Memorial Hospital (North Africa)

*For more information, visit www.faccalgary.com/globalimpact*
Internships / Long-Term Missions

Short Term Missions are excellent preparation for long-term service, which can be more effective because it allows you to move into the neighbourhood and stay. It provides time to learn the “heart language” of the people and develop trust relationships, with the ultimate goal being long-term impact for Christ.

What Long-Term Missions Can Look Like ...

- Consider a full-time career as an “International Worker” through First Alliance Church / The Christian & Missionary Alliance

- See if your current employer has overseas postings where you could have an impact for Christ

- Consider a degree in Intercultural Studies at Ambrose University and Seminary with its one-year “onSite” or four-month “inSight” cross-cultural internship programs. For details, visit www.ambrose.edu

- The Global Ministry Apprenticeship Program with the C&MA is a two-year cross-cultural ministry experience alongside career International Workers. For details, visit www.cmaconverge.com

- Turn an early retirement into a ministry opportunity overseas

To discover more about long-term ministry in a foreign setting, contact globalimpact@faccalgary.com/403-258-7274.
At-Home Opportunities

Reach out to immigrants and international students in our city. For more info, please contact:

Pastor David Kang  dkang@faccalgary.com  403-723-6390
Pastor Pat Worsley  pworsley@faccalgary.com  403-212-8845

Refugee Sponsorship Team

Would you work on a team of five sponsors to help a refugee start a new life in Canada? Just think of all the things a new Canadian would need help with and imagine assisting them as a practical demonstration of Christ’s love.

For example, you would assist in a variety of ways, such as helping find English classes, a doctor/dentist and school for children. You would also help them find a place to live and orient them to transportation and life in Calgary. Note: Your financial commitments would be minimal.

Home-Stay Family

Consider becoming a “homestay” family for an international student. If approved by an agency you have the opportunity to learn about other cultures and potentially share Christ with students who may become future leaders overseas. There is flexibility in being matched with a student and you are paid market rates. For more information, search for “homestay” on the internet.
Pray
Pick up prayer and International Worker updates

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