

The Why of Global Work | February 25, 2018

Please take a moment to pray for the Global Workers we highlighted this week. (Learn more here: <http://fortlangley.lwchurch.ca/global-work>)

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Why Global Work?

- "Then God looked over all he had made, and he saw that it was very good." (Genesis 1.31)
- The beginning of the biblical story starts with "very good"! But as the story unfolded and humans took things into their own hands, that very good picture was spoiled by sin and death.
- Romans 6.23 talks about the "wages" of sin, or the cost of human sin is not life (given by God alone) but death. Human choice to go it alone, not to choose the "very good" of God, to walk away from the God of life, brings death. We see this effect day to day all over the planet.
- Romans 5.8, however tells the bigger story, "...but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us..." God didn't leave us in our sin, in our death, he moves to bring us life in and through Christ.
- The good news in the story of God and humanity is in those words "but God"! Global Work, the missionary work, all begins with that phrase.
- John 14.3, Revelation 21.4 gives us a picture of what God would offer, a bringing back of the "very good". And we, as Christians, can join with him in helping to bring back that "very good" for all people.

- So why Global Work, why missionary work? To make things very good, again!

Discussion Questions

- What kind of Global Work or missions work do you find inspiring? What grips you heart?
- Why does Global Work matter to the local church? Why should we care?
- What kind of “but God...” moments have you witnessed.