

*Isaiah 43:19*

**"Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth do you not perceive it?  
I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert."**

Change is always intimidating. There is a perceived safety in familiarity, even if we know that what we are familiar with is not ideal. It is as if the church in the Western World had settled comfortably into a plush bed of familiarity when 2020 came and ripped off the covers. As uncomfortable as that made us, it also woke us up. God is doing a new thing in the church around the world. The question is, will we perceive it? There have been major changes for me in ministry this year. Mainly that I am not able to travel internationally as I am accustomed to. I trust that will change with time.



*Hilary leads worship at an outdoor service*

Having been thrust into a world of unfamiliarity by circumstances beyond my control, I began to pray and fast and seek God for direction. He answered. Recently I was on a prayer and fasting retreat and the Lord began to speak to me and give me clear vision for ministry in this season. Though I am still leading the churches that we have planted overseas remotely, and raising funds for all our overseas ministries, the Lord has instructed me to begin to work more intensely here in the States as well.

Not many know this, but Hilary and I have a church that meets in our home every Wednesday. The church is mostly comprised of people that we have led to the Lord locally or have begun discipling since moving here two years ago. This church has been a great source of community for us as I travel most weekends and am unable to attend a regular Sunday service. Over the last year, this little church in our home has become the most loving church community I have ever experienced. We genuinely love, support, and challenge each other, and experience God together. We have seen people come to Christ, be baptized in water and in the Holy Spirit. Miracles happening in our living room is not at all uncommon. When the entire American church was shut down for months due to Covid we were able to continue and prayed more fervently than ever. I believe God has been showing me that this will be the model of the end times church. I came out of that prayer and fasting retreat with a vision and strategy written out for a network of house churches, the next steps I would need to take, and a name for the network, "Acts Again." Since that prayer and fasting retreat, everything has been developing wonderfully. We have already sent out a team to start the second house church in our network and the third church will be starting in the next couple of weeks! We are developing a six-Saturday training program for our leaders called "G.R.I.T." or "Global Renewal Intensive Training." This training will cover some basic theology and practical ministry training. The six-week training will be followed up by a six-month mentorship for those who would like to start a house church. We will be running our first "G.R.I.T." course starting on October 17th! Of course, that training will be open to any Global Renewal partners who would like to attend. Please email me if you are interested.



*Baptizing new believers in the lake*



*A vision for the masses, a heart for the one.*

## ACTS AGAIN VISION: "Getting back to the book of Acts and bringing Acts into the future."

"Our nation needs revival!" What a familiar phrase in American Christianity. We can look around and see the cultural shift toward the embrace of sin and rejection of Christ. We need revival. The question then becomes, what does revival look like? Is it a massive conference? A healing service? A tent meeting? What we need in America is a revival of the New Testament Church. In the Book of Acts we see a group of people who were fully committed to Christ and to each other. They were unstoppable. It was messy, it was uncomfortable, and it was powerful. The churches met primarily in homes where they would fellowship, have meals together, take communion, teach from Scripture, and pray. Sunday service had not even been invented yet. Salvation and miracles were commonplace and the church spread rapidly. It was not commercialized, seeker friendly, or watered down, but it was beautiful. The churches multiplied as people were drawn to the love in the community and the power of the Holy Spirit at work in their midst. Imagine a church movement that could not be shut down because it is decentralized and meeting in homes. A movement with no operational overhead so our giving can go almost completely toward missions. A movement of churches that run like families rather than corporations. We want to build small faith communities around Christ, a loving community, and the power of the Holy Spirit. We want to see a movement of house churches that are unstoppable. We want to see Acts Again!

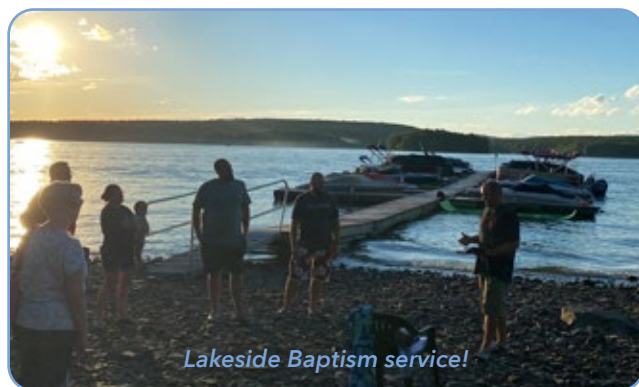
### Thank You

Through this time of uncertainty you have all remained so faithful in partnering with and praying for us. I cannot express enough my deep gratitude toward you all. We are of course still highly active in overseas missions, and I am excited to report that even amidst lockdowns our pastors in Asia have started two new churches with our help and guidance! Because of all of you, we have been able to send well over \$20,000 in relief and support to keep our international ministries going! Our ministries overseas have been hit especially hard by lockdowns. There are no stimulus checks in places like Uganda. We are so thankful that God has used all of you to empower us to help them. Thank you all for standing with us!

Blessings!



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