

Tecate Mission International

We will get if You will Hole the Rope

In 1793, William Carey met with four Christian brothers during an all day meeting which was held as his "farewell service" prior to leaving for India. During that meeting Cary stated that, "I will go down, if you will old the rope". To one of the four, Andrew Fuller,



their commitment was "whilst we lived, we should never let go the rope." They understood the analogy was Carey's willingness to go down into a dark cave or pit as long as he knew his friends would be faithful to hold the rope for him.

Not all are called to serve as missionaries, but all Christians are called to be a part of God's great commission to take Gospel (Matthew 28:18-20), to the "uttermost parts of the earth" (Acts 1:8). To accomplish this, God calls some to "go" down in the cave and others to "hold the rope"... both are necessary to this great endeavor of being "ministers of reconciliation" (II Corinthians 5:18-20).

As we continue on, "going further" down into the cave, to reach more with the saving Gospel message, we will need more rope to sustain and hold us.

If you are reading this, it is because you, like Andrew Fuller, are committed to "holding the rope" for us who are committed to "going down" to reach the lost, no matter how deep we must go to reach them. Andrew Fuller started a missions agency in his home to raise up financial support for the missionary enterprise (missionaries and their work) as well as

to recruit and send new missionaries to the field.

For 21 years, he faithfully "held the rope" not only for William Carey, but for countless others who were also committed to "going down" to reach the lost.

What an example and challenge it is of what God can do through the commitment of His children!

Some of you have already passed the 21-year mark of Andrew Fuller in your commitment to "hold the rope" for this ministry and its missionaries. Some of you are relatively new to this concept of "holding the rope." Whether new to the team or veteran rope holders, we say "thank you" for your faithfulness in "holding the rope" for us!

Like William Carey, we are willing to go down, but we need you and others to hold the rope.

May you be encouraged by this recounting of missionary history...we certainly are!

Sincerely,
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More Rope Needed...

- to launch a <u>new Distance Learning Program</u>
- Huge library available to all students working online
- Potential Spanish-speaking students located globally
- Set-up cost (including web-site, leadership training)

Designate:

#428

Estimated Set-up

Costs \$7000.00



The Ministries of Tecate Mission International

As the Executive Director, I would like to share with you an overall view of the various ministries of TMI so that you can visualize the extent and scope of what God is doing. Each area is united on our Statement of Purpose (see below) and in seeking to accomplish it in these different venues.

- 1. Bible Correspondence Department
 - Both English and Spanish courses are offered
- 2. Distribution Center (at headquarters)
 - Many are helped on a weekly basis with food, clothing, household goods, and misc. items
- 3. Tecate Christian School
 - Students grades 1-6 are learning academic subjects all based on Biblical principles in English (by faith adding Junior High)
- 4. The Bible Institute of TMI
 - Around 50 resident students are preparing for service in Latin American and other parts of the world
- 5. Distance Learning Program
 - This program takes quality teaching to people who are not able to attend a resident school
- 6. Church Planting
 - 24 churches under the covering of TMI, each has a national pastor; some have church plants in progress
- 7. Prison Outreach
 - 6+ prisons are entered with Biblical teaching.
- 8. One-to-One Evangelism, Discipleship and Prayer
 - The Lord provides many opportunities for staff to share the Gospel in various settings
- 9. Partnership
 - Many join with us in working hands-on, supporting financially, praying, and encouraging
- 10. Short-Term Ministries
 - Groups and teams serve at headquarters, along the border and into Mexico
- 11. Ministry to children, youth, women
 - Children's ministry training and outreach, Coffee house
- 12. La Roca Christian Center
- 13. The Nations Among Us and Refugee Ministry

A TMI missionary said recently, "What a joy and satisfaction there is to serve the Lord and to also be a part of a missionary organization which is concerned about God's priorities!"

As people move on, we have opportunity for service and places to be filled.

- Maintenance Worker at headquarters. This is an immediate need to keep the facilities in good running order so the ministry can go on.
- <u>Tecate Christian School</u> is in immediate need for: teachers, monitors, secretary, and helpers.
- Team players to hold the rope prayerfully and financially. God has ordained that we work together!

You also can have the joy and satisfaction in service for the Lord with TMI

Statement of Purpose of TMI

We exist to serve Jesus Christ and His Church by reaching the lost, developing mature disciples, and building God's Kingdom in Mexico and the uttermost parts of the earth.

Holding the Rope Together

From time to time there are changes in the TMI missionary staff.

> Elpidio Perez went to glory, March 18, 2019

We look forward to seeing him again someday.

Diane Lyles and Diana Smith have resigned from TMI—June 2019

Rick Rowe has taken retirement status June 2019

We are grateful for the ministry of each one and trust the Lord to bless and lead them.

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