Back to the basics

In recognizing God's goodness in our 100 years of ministry, we're asking you to embrace our mission with us. You might ask: "But what is the mission, and what are the principles that should guide me in carrying out this mission?" We'll use Serve over the next several months to go back to the basics. While trying to show you our heart and why we do what we do, we hope you'll catch the vision and take part in something bigger than yourself. Consider these mission essentials, and advance with us for the glory of God!
As you read the New Testament record, you see Christ passing on His mission to the apostles. He promised to build His church, and He gave the church its marching orders, most fully laid out in Matthew 28:18-20. The mission is centered around the disciple-making, church-planting, Spirit-empowered work of gospel proclamation. This is how the church of Jesus Christ grows, and only through His powerful working through His people.

We hope you'll completely embrace this mission not only personally, but also as a part of a biblical and dynamic local church. As a mission agency, we define our mission this way,

*The Baptist Mid-Missions Family exists to strategically advance the building of Christ’s church, with His passion and for His glory, in vital partnership with Baptist churches worldwide.*

It is our goal to facilitate obedience to Christ's command by coming alongside local churches, offering them resources, tools, and services to accomplish this task.

As we encourage you to embrace our mission with us, let me highlight a few important aspects of our mission statement above.

**Strategically advancing**

Paul asks the Thessalonian believers to pray for God’s Word to *run* (2 Thess. 3:1). It is God’s desire that the good news spread into more and more hearts. As BMM serves in vital partnership with the church, we want to do all that we can to do the work well. It is the church’s responsibility, and our desire, to invest resources, training, planning, thoughtful strategy, teamwork, and prayer into this effort. Why? Because God is worthy of it.

**Our worthy God**

This is why we say, “with His passion and for His glory.” Many well-meaning people may challenge the partnership we have with local churches with the question, “Why go to all that trouble?” We do what we do because God is worthy of our greatest and most diligent efforts. None of us must ever lose sight of our reason for missions—the exaltation and worship of Jesus Christ.
What does that have to do with you?
In our complex world, remember the basics. As a disciple of Christ, you need to be about the mission of advancing the gospel. Are you active in a local church? If not, join a church that is about this mission and offer yourself to help it accomplish its purpose. That touches on a key takeaway. You are not meant to go at this mission alone. God has raised up Baptist Mid-Missions to provide a community of people all working together to take the glorious message of Christ to the ends of the earth. Why not advance with us?

Administrator for Church Relations & Enlistment
Set aside four weeks and serve side-by-side with missionaries as you gain hands-on church-planting experience in France.

*Application deadline is February 14.*