

What are World Renewal Church Ambassadors & Advocates?

- Church Ambassadors work within a local church that supports a specific missionary/ministry
- Advocates work to support a specific missionary/ministry

Church Ambassadors and Advocates are those who feel called to support a specific missionary or ministry with World Renewal. They join a team (with the representative of that field and others who support that missionary/ministry) that is committed to providing various types of support and encouragement, specifically **prayer, communication, awareness of needs, and sharing with others**. Together, they make sure that no needs slip through the cracks and that those missionaries and ministries feel cared for.



Prayer

Prayer makes a difference

Having times that you **individually, as a family, and as a team** get together to pray for your missionary/ministry is an important way to serve. There is a weekly Thursday 10am prayer meeting at World Renewal Headquarters if you'd like to join in person or online. If you have prayer requests from your missionary/ministry, please send them to worldrenewal@worldrenewal.org



Communication

Communication is key

Communicating regularly will look different for each missionary/ministry (if they do not speak English well, perhaps it is important to communicate with their representative instead). The easiest way to connect is to simply regularly ask your missionary/leader: **"What can we pray for you for?"** Communication builds relationship, and helps you to be aware of the needs that might come up for your missionary/leader. There are many different ways that people communicate, and it might be tricky to find the best way for your missionary/leader: but keep at it! Some like phone calls, others like email. Many use WhatsApp or Signal. While it might take time to establish a connection, keep trying until you find something that works. **Recognizing special occasions (birthdays and anniversaries) and holidays with cards** is another good way to let them know they are loved and supported!



Awareness of Needs

Awareness of Needs helps us work together

Please note that this does not say that you are to meet the needs of your missionary/ministry. You are one part (a very important part) of the support system for your missionary/ministry, but you are not alone! As you become aware of needs, some may be simple, and other complex. Please feel free to talk to your field's representative with any questions or concerns, especially if it is concerning **physical, emotional, and spiritual health, education, financial support, or legal issues**. If there is an emergency, or disaster that comes up, or trip to the USA, your missionary/leader may have **transportation, housing, food, or health care needs. They may need counseling, debriefing, or a retreat**. These are bigger needs that the representative and others that support the missionary/ministry can work together with you to help brainstorm and find solutions for.



Sharing with Others

Sharing with others grows the Team

A Church Ambassador will work with their church leaders to share updates and needs with the whole church body about their missionary/ministry. An Advocate can be creative in how they share updates and needs with others in their world. **One-on-one conversations** are good, **Inviting small groups to your home** is effective, especially if the missionary/leader is visiting. **Social media** (with permission from the missionary/ministry), can be helpful to share needs and updates. Of course, we'd love for you to **visit personally** with your missionary/ministry on location! Pray about participating in/building a trip to visit with the representative. Lastly, think of creative ways to **fundraise**: financial needs are many and ongoing, but many hands make light work.

NEEDED: Representatives, Ambassadors, and Advocates



Representatives invest time, energy, and resources representing the whole ministry within a country (field representatives) to the USA. They try to make frequent in-person visits, lead trips (if possible), stay connected with local leaders, fundraise, and make sure all the ambassadors and advocates have all they need to succeed.

Church Ambassadors work within a specific church to make sure that missionary/ministry is well represented, and that they feel supported and connected.

Advocates work to represent an individual missionary or ministry to those around them, and to help them feel supported and connected.

Advocates needed: (In Brazil)

- For the Moraes family (director)
- For the Ricardo Silva family (church planter/Living Stones)
- For the Snow family (Project Focus/Impact ministry)
- For the Taylor family (MMA sports ministry)
- For the Gallop family (New missionaries)
- For the Augustinho Santana family (Bible seminary)
- For the Flavio Travassos Family (church planter/Living Stones)
- For the Guga Albuquerque family (pastor/Living Stones)
- For the Gouveia family (church planter/Living Stones)
- For the Andrade family (ABBA camp director)
- For the Kervin Silva family (school/IMPACT ministry)
- For the Barbosa family (IMPACT ministry)
- For the Lima family (School/IMPACT ministry)
- For Leonardo Almeida (Glory Sports)

Advocates needed:

- For the Maula Jean-Marie family in Haiti (orphanage/church plant)
- For Luc Joseph family in Haiti (orphanage/church plant)
- The Riberio family in England
- Ghuna Kumar in India (Gospel Friends)
- Children's homes/child sponsorship in India
- Dorcas Sewing Ministry in India
- Child Sponsorship/MM Academy in Tanzania
- Paola in Spain

Representatives needed:

We currently have representatives for most of our countries in Indiana, but could always use Representatives in other regions. We still need Reps for:

- Spain
- Entrusting Others
- Mozambique
- India

Church Ambassadors needed:

Please check with your church about who is helping to represent the missionaries you all support. Different churches have different systems set up, but most are looking for people to help them personally keep connected with their missionaries. We would love to help you help them!

Advocates needed: (In Challenging Countries)

This is a role that requires extra training and sensitivity, but is very needed and necessary:

- For the Director
- For the Learning Outcomes Officer
- For Literacy/Women's Skills
- For Face to Face ministry
- For the Principal
- For John's Counseling
- For the North Highway Strategy (the Nomad)