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VISION 2033. Earlier this month, Grace Ministries International adopted a new ten-year strategic plan. By the year 2033, GMI looks forward to expanding into *one* new continent; opening *eight* new fields; sending *30* new families or individuals to join our GMI teams serving around the world; and training cross-cultural workers to reach *20* unreached people groups. Why set such ambitious goals? The Lord was faithful as we pursued Vision 2023 working through you, members of the Body of Christ, to provide the people, resources and opportunities to further share God's grace with the world! We believe He will continue to provide as even more people learn about God's grace.

Mozambique is the next destination for Brian and Gloria Abranovich, along with their two-year old daughter, Nina, as they serve with GMI team members Givemore and Sylvia Nyakambiri in Mozambique. Brian is from Argentina and Gloria is from Brazil, but they have most recently lived and served in Ciudad del Este, Paraguay with the GMI team. On Thursday, February 16, they flew from Paraguay to Brazil to begin a three-month missions training program before traveling to Africa in June.

We are grateful for their desire to serve the Lord cross-culturally and use their talents and abilities to make Christ known. We are excited to have this dedicated, Portuguese-speaking family working in Mozambique alongside the Nyakambiris. To learn more about Brian and Gloria and to support them visit gracem.org, click on "GMI's Global Team" and select "Brian and Gloria Abranovich" from the menu.



Abranoviches leaving for Bazil

Nicaragua is in transition. GMI team member, Marta Cordero, has already left Nicaragua and is traveling to Bolivia to begin serving for at least a year with her new GMI co-workers, Talo and Patty Vergara. Meanwhile, GMI team members Milo and Raquel Seravalli are calling this a year of transition as they hand over the ministries of Arrigados Church to the leaders they have been training. In preparation for this transition, the GMI team gives thanks to the Lord for the twelve

students attending the Bible school this year. GMI team members Aaron and Adela Cordero and Lily Ortega continue to teach God's Word and disciple many who are attending the church with the goal of seeing them serve as its current and future leaders.

Mexico is GMI's newest field. Upon returning to Mexico earlier this month from Costa Rica, GMI team members Luis and Marcia Coto have resumed their Bible study with the goal of planting a church in the city of Mérida in the Yucatan Peninsula. Pray for this new ministry and consider joining their team or any of our teams around the globe!



Coto's Bible study

In Burundi, the GMI team of Tom and Michelle Sanchez and Method and Omelina Mwendapole are developing relationships with various churches, leaders and denominations in the country which are open to receiving further theological and leadership training. The team is in the beginning stages of developing a regional Bible school program for Burundi to teach pastors, church leaders and others more about the distinctions between law and grace and the ministry of the Body of

Christ in contrast to the ministry of Israel by teaching them the story of the Bible. The GMI team is looking forward to helping these believers and churches have a more profound understanding of God's grace and then partnering together to share this grace with others.

Malawi provided the model for the Burundi team's approach to regional theological education. Recently, GMI team member Bill Vinton finished the writing, translation and printing process for two new courses that will be used in the Bible school curriculum. He is also starting to teach a course on dispensational theology at the Lilongwe campus. Pray for the Bible school team as they travel this spring to various parts of the country bringing courses to current and new students who live in these areas.

Expanding the GMI Home Office. As our team serving around the world grows, so does the need to support the work they are doing. Dwayne Huff has accepted a full-time position with GMI to assist the home office in fulfilling its mission of facilitating the worldwide ministries of our GMI team. Dwayne brings several years of pastoral and board experience (Anchor Point Bible Church and Frontline Bible Church) along with business and management skills to the position. He has a pastoral heart, attention to detail and understands our mission and what GMI is. Dwayne began his new role on February 1. We are looking forward to having him join the home office as he interacts with and invests in our team serving cross-culturally and manages several projects vital to their ministries.



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