

# BRCC



BAY RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Biblically Based. Christ Centered. Caring Community.



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## BRCC Missionaries

1. Bombay Teen Challenge (Independent) Mumbai, India Red light district
2. Chase Wood (Good News Jail and Prison Ministry) Annapolis, MD
3. Regin & Heidi Guttesen, (GLO) Italy
4. Larry & Dianne Matthews (Wycliffe) Papua, Indonesia
5. **Tim & Maureen McAlhaney-(SIM) Kijabe, Kenya**
6. James Marzuki (ANM) Indonesia
7. Lee & Carol Short (Life Savers) Honduras and the Dominican Republic
8. Damir Spolarjic (ANM) Croatia
9. Himalayan Inland Missions (HIM)-India
10. Touch of Christ (Independent) Iran 10/40 Window
11. International Christian Concern-persecuted church
12. Mike and Marsha Slone (Navigators) Annapolis, MD
13. ELIC-China

# **SIM Missions**

SIM is what is called a “general mission”. That means our workers are involved in many types of ministry around the world. Some organizations focus on specific types of ministry (clean water, children, education, relief and aid, etc.). SIM workers are involved in these ministries as well as many others. We often partner with specialized missions in Bible translation, radio outreach, community development, medicine, HIV and AIDS ministry, aviation, and more, but our distinctive is our church-focused vision. Many of our workers serve as church planters in pioneer areas or in partnership with local churches in discipleship, evangelism, or theological education.

## **SIM Kenya- The McAlhaneys**

Maureen serves as the Palliative Care Data and Research Officer at Kijabe Hospital. Her department cares for those with terminal illnesses. They help with medical needs as well as cultural stigmatization connected to HIV/AIDS.

Tim teaches at Moffat Bible College, helping to train the next generation of ministers and missionaries in Kenya. In addition to teaching, Tim spends time each week mentoring individual students, attending student-led bible studies, and encouraging students regarding their practical ministries. Moffat has great students who work really hard to keep up with school work and participate in active ministry. Almost weekly a student in Tim's practical ministry group will mention leading someone to Christ.

- Kenya has a population of just over 28 million and is roughly the size of France.
- There are over 58 languages spoken, although English and Swahili are the official languages.
- While Christianity has a strong presence in Kenya, there are roughly 24 “unreached” people groups,

most following Islam or some traditional religion. Evangelical Christians comprise roughly 10% of the population.

- Medical mission work provides an open door to minister the love and compassion of Jesus Christ while caring for the suffering. There is one physician for every 5,999 people.
- The average life expectancy is just over 50. 46% of the total population is under the age of 15, so training the next generation is crucial.
- Malnutrition and HIV/AIDS greatly impact the region. Through medicine and discipleship, we can help make a difference through Christ.

# Prayer Focus

## **Praise God for . . .**

- A safe trip to the US & Time with family/friends
- Luke's continued good health - no seizures since August 2022
- Life and ministry in Kijabe and people who invest in God's work by supporting our family to serve in Kenya
- A good school term at RVA and Moffat
- The 23 students already accepted for Moffat's intake this August

## **Pray for . . .**

- Maureen's dad – continued healing and strengthening
- Home Assignment – physical and spiritual rejuvenation, home schooling and activities for kids
- Doctors and dentists appointments . . .
- Moffat – Reach2Reach program
- SIM Kenya director's search process
- Needed monthly support to return August 23rd
- Currently lacking \$525 in monthly support
- Funds to purchase a new/used car (\$12,000)







# **TODAY'S SERVICE**

## **Child Care and Children's Ministry**

We have a mother's nursing room and a separate nursery available for children 0 - 4.

Children's Ministry is held in our 2nd floor educational hallway (hallway located in back on sanctuary).

Parents will need to both drop off and pick up their children from their classroom. If you need help getting to either, please see the welcome desk.

## **Communion**

Individual sealed communion packs are available at the welcome desk as you enter the church. We have both gluten and non-gluten options for your safety. The juice and bread are separated in the top and bottom of the cup, making it easier to open and hold.

For assistance, please see our helpful Welcome Staff!

# ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

## **Special Love offering today:**

SIM Kenya- The McAlhaneys

You can designate your gift and place in the offering, or you may give online using this QR code:



## **Fellowship Lunch**

Immediately following the service we will have a fellowship luncheon in the sanctuary. If you have a dish to share please bring it to the tables in the back and if you forgot a lunch feel free to stay and chat or pick something up and come back!

## **Men's Cookout**

The Men will be having a cookout at Greg Younger's home on August 12th at 5:00 PM. Please RSVP to Greg Younger. Hope to see you there!

# GIVING

## 3 Ways to Give

Did you know there are 3 ways to give?

1. Cash or Check on Sunday
2. Credit Card online @ [www.brcc.church/donate](http://www.brcc.church/donate)
3. or you can schedule a reoccurring payment via echeck online @ [www.brcc.church/donate](http://www.brcc.church/donate) (it only costs .55¢ to process an online check and can be done in seconds - saving the church time and money that can be put towards serving the Gospel)

14.5¢ of every dollar we receive through the weekly offering is given to missions.

## IN THE KNOW

Get our weekly emailed Newsletter!  
Sign up for the B'Ridge today online or by visiting our welcome desk.

\*\*Contact the Office or see the B'Ridge for more details about these events. You can sign up for the B'Ridge at any time by visiting [brcc.church/bridge](http://brcc.church/bridge).









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