

Dear Friends.

What an amazing year we had in 2021! God blessed our plans beyond what we could have anticipated. As I consider all He has done and is doing, one word keeps rising to the forefront: relationship.

From the very beginning, we see that God is a triune God who created us for relationship with Him and with others. He demonstrates His plan through the relationship we see in God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Theologians from long ago described this interconnected relationship with the word *perichoresis*, which means "dancing around." There is an ebb and flow as each One—Father, Son, Spirit—does the part He is called to do at that particular moment...much like a beautiful dance.

As we work with ministry leaders, partners, teachers, and our generous donors, we see that "dance" come to life. God moved a generous donor to equip local church leaders with pastoral leadership resources—something weary and disheartened global church leaders desperately needed. Then the denominational partners who received this resource and training challenged each recipient to equip five more leaders, building relationship and bringing valuable resources to even more local church pastors.

We've seen ministry leaders enthusiastically embrace training for their discouraged teachers, equipping them with practical skills and bringing new enthusiasm to reach more children. We've seen children, empowered to share the gospel, reach the elderly in their communities, bridging generations so the whole community thrives.

This is why God put us in relationships—so that each person, each family, each community can flourish as He intends. Your part in this beautiful dance of relationships that span the globe is transforming children and their world for eternity!

With deep gratitude,

Kerry Krycho
Executive Director

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David Caleb Cook Foundation



Watch a video greeting from Kerry Krycho.

God created His people for relationship—with Him and with others.

Relationship helps us to grow in faith and gives us strength as we face the challenges of life. At the David Caleb Cook Foundation, our mission is to partner with God's people around the world and equip them to share His love. We accomplish this through relationships—relationships with generous donors who invest in the lives of God's people around the world and relationships with ministry leaders who invest in the lives of those in their churches and communities. God continues to use these relationships to transform the lives of children, families, and ministry leaders across the globe.

We are thankful for all God has made possible through your gifts to the David Caleb Cook Foundation this year. Please join us in praising Him for what He has done in 2021 and looking forward to all He will do in 2022.

Watch a slideshow of some of our photos from 2021

VIEW SLIDESHOW





In Kenya, relationship is making it possible to reach the unreached.

The heavily tribal area of the Great Rift Valley in Kenya is virtually unreached with biblical resources, especially for children. One of David Caleb Cook Foundation's denominational partners in Kenya had been working for years to serve the children of the Maasai tribe, but they had met with very little success. The geographic isolation and the small number of Christians in this area made it difficult to reach. However, after much prayer and planning, DCCF's Africa coordinator and a team from our partner's ministry renewed their efforts.

26 international partnerships

29 countries

1.7 M served



Watch a video from our Africa coordinator sharing about her relationship with leaders from Methodist Church in Kenya



New for 2022!
Life on Life Digital launches in Africa!

We have been trying to reach this area with children's ministry for years, and now God has finally opened the door through our relationship with the David Caleb Cook Foundation. We are thankful that this ministry was able to work with us to serve this important region. 55

- Irene, Children's Ministry Coordinator, Methodist Church in Kenya

This strategic outreach was made possible by the trust developed through a strong relationship with our partners in Kenya. DCCF's Africa coordinator, Serah, has helped this partner to lay a firm foundation for their children's ministry. Not only has she trained leaders in multiple sites, but she has helped the church leadership to raise up a team of leaders to provide the support needed to develop a strong children's ministry program.

When Serah arrived at the Maasai training site, she was surprised to see more than 80 participants, many of whom had traveled for hours to attend. After two days of training, Serah had equipped a local volunteer team that was excited to disciple the children of the Great Rift Valley. These ministry leaders learned about God's heart for children, discovered practical and applicable skills to engage children with biblical teaching, received *Life on Life* teacher guides and student books, and returned to their home churches prepared to share God's love with the children in their communities.

Your generosity in 2021 helped to make collaborative partnerships like this one possible--and God continues to use these relationships to transform the lives of children around the world.



Download a prayer map and pray for *Life on Life* partners.

DOWNLOAD MAP



In Latin America, relationship makes it possible to equip ministry leaders—even in remote regions.

Countries with live or webinar training in 2021



7,790 teachers trained

194,750 students impacted **92** trainings planned for 2022

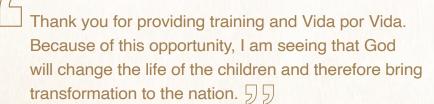


New for 2022!
Equipping ministry leaders to help parents share their faith with their children!



New for 2022! Equipping ministry leaders in India with digital training!

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- Maria, Children's Ministry Coordinator, Church of God, Nicaragua

Maria, a regional coordinator with one of the David Caleb Cook Foundation's partners in Nicaragua, is committed to serving the children's ministry leaders of her region. So committed, in fact, that she traveled for more than four hours each way on a motorbike to a place where she could get a reliable internet connection to attend a recent Latin America *Life on Life* training webinar. A few weeks later, she made the same trip again to attend another training webinar.

Maria took the information she learned and shared it with other ministry leaders in her region. In just a month, she trained 95 teachers from 30 churches, potentially serving more than 1,800 children. She has developed strong relationships with the teachers and leaders she serves, and they often connect with her on WhatsApp for advice about teaching a lesson or managing a special program for children.

Maria plans to attend future webinars to help the Sunday school teachers in her community grow in their skills so they can more effectively disciple the children in their churches and neighborhoods with DCCF's *Life on Life* discipleship program (known in Spanish-speaking Latin America as *Vida por Vida*).

Your faithfulness in 2021 has helped to provide resources as well as webinar training, live training, and online training for children's ministry leaders around the world, transforming their lives and the lives of the children they serve.



Watch a preview of India's online training.



In Central America, relationship makes it possible to share God's love in impactful ways.

As the David Caleb Cook Foundation's partners shared the gospel with children using *The Story of Jesus*, they discovered that it was relationships with the children they serve that made their ministries effective. Here are some of the ways God has used those relationships to transform lives.

Story from Honduras

In a rural community in the eastern part of Honduras, teachers, parents, and ministry leaders organized a children's camp to share God's love with the children in their community. More than 300 children joined the camp, where they spent five days playing games, singing songs, and hearing the gospel using *The Story of Jesus*. More than 200 prayed to accept Jesus or recommit their lives to Him!

Daniela's Story

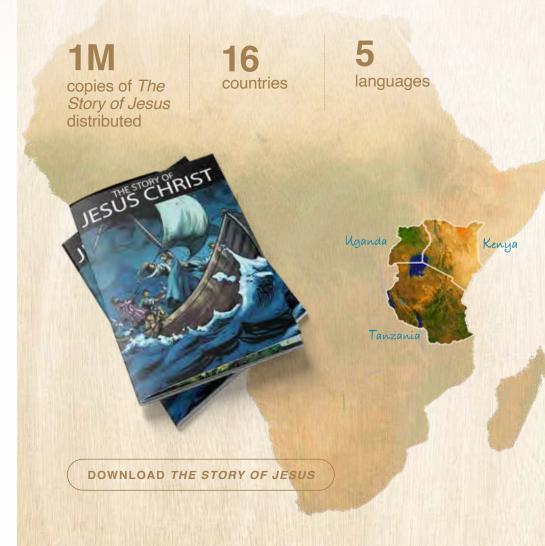
At the beginning of the pandemic, Daniela was concerned for the children in her community, so she began looking for ways to connect with them. When she received copies of *The Story of Jesus* through one of DCCF's partners, she delivered them to the children in her community with an invitation to join a Zoom Bible class. Now she connects with the children and their families each week through Zoom and WhatsApp to provide encouragement and help them learn what it means to follow Jesus.



DCCF's Latin America coordinator, Veronica, shares about *The Story of Jesus*.

Your gifts in 2021 helped to make ministry like this possible—in Latin America and around the world. Through your support, hundreds of thousands of children learned that they are loved by God through relationships with ministry leaders who had been trained to share the gospel with children.







Around the globe, relationship makes it possible to share God's love in countries where Christian ministry isn't welcome.

One of the ways the David Caleb Cook Foundation multiplies the impact of ministry is by collaborating with other organizations to accomplish God's purpose. Here are some examples of God's work through strategic partnerships with His people.



Though Russia is nearly closed to outside Christian ministry, some of the David Caleb Cook Foundation's partners have the well-established relationships that allow them to share God's love and Christian resources even in these challenging circumstances. A ministry partnership with an organization that serves Eastern Europe provided an opportunity to distribute 50,000 copies of *The Action Bible New Testament* to children in Russia as part of their Christmas box outreach and holiday leadership youth camps. Our partner mobilizes local churches in Russia to fill and distribute the gift boxes and raises up young leaders to mentor and share the gospel with children in their communities in one of the most sensitive countries in the world.

Another DCCF partnership has resulted in sharing the gospel with children all over the Middle East through short, animated videos based on *The Action Bible*. These videos are shown in between programs on public television in sensitive places such as Jordan, Iran, and Afghanistan. Nearly 3 million children have had the opportunity to hear about God's love in their own homes because of this partnership outreach.

The impact of your gifts in 2021 has been multiplied by strategic partnerships with other organizations, providing evangelism, Bible engagement, discipleship, and leadership resources and training to pastors and ministry leaders around the globe, touching the lives of hundreds of thousands of children.



Action Bible Video Outreach is All Over the World



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Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness in 2021!

It is your relationship with the David Caleb Cook Foundation that makes ministry like this possible! Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness in 2021, and we look forward to your continued support of God's work around the world in 2022.



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