



# Caribbean Waves

We want to see vibrant communities of Jesus followers among the least reached!

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## Pray with us for:

- Missionaries to be sent from the Caribbean. We want to see 50 new long-term missionaries.
- Full-time Island/Country leaders to lead teams in sharing the urgent need to take the Gospel to the ends of the earth.
- Join us each month of 2019 as we pray for each island by name!

## The Cry of the Lost



In 2018, OM sent out a short-term mission group from Barbados to Moldova, an Eastern European country bordered by Romania and Ukraine. This small nation has faced many challenges since declaring independence from the Soviet Union.

Each day, the team drove into villages, inviting children to a special gospel program. The team led the children in games, dramatized Bible stories, face painting, and a gospel presentation. They had many exciting opportunities to pray with local villagers and share the gospel.

The team realized that, like the fertile land in Moldova, the hearts of the people are very receptive and responsive to the gospel. God hears the cry of the lost. He has not forgotten the country or its people. The church leaders they worked with requested that they return in the near future. Please pray that God would raise up Caribbean workers to take their knowledge of Jesus and share it with the people of Moldova.





# A Prayer Request

I am sure we have all been there at one time- a friend asks for prayer for a situation, and we wonder if praying makes a difference in the outcome. This is not because we think prayer doesn't work. We know it does, and we believe God can do a miracle, but we wonder what God's will is and what He wants to accomplish through the situation. When one of our loved ones is seriously ill, we call out to God day and night asking for God to intervene; it is always just below the surface of our day-to-day lives, using every opportunity to plead with the Father for our loved one.

So, what do we do when the One who requests us to join them in prayer is our best friend Jesus Himself, who is asking us to plead to God on behalf of something? If He asks us to pray, then it must be God's will. In Luke 10:2, Jesus tells us to pray, even *plead*, with the Lord of the Harvest to send out more workers into the field. He hears the cries of the lost and the urgent need for workers, and He tells us to ask, pray, plead, and beseech the Lord of Harvest to send out workers. He knows the harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are so few. **What are we going to do about it?** It is God's will and God's way that we call out to Him to send out workers. Join us at OM Caribbean in praying for more workers to be sent by the Lord from the Caribbean Islands to go out into the harvest. Prayer will make the difference!

- By Paul Wheatley, OM Caribbean Field Leader

## Short-term outreaches in which Caribbeans participated in 2018!

Transform 2018



Beach Club Montenegro

Logos Hope STEP



Reaching the Unreached in Russia



Serbia Relief

## Preparing Spiritually for Your Short-Term Mission Trip

### 1. PRAY

All missionary work begins with prayer. Prayer softens the hearts of people and also helps us [to] be sensitive to God's guidance as He directs us to those who need to hear the good news. (See Ephesians 6:18-20.)

### 2. GET IN THE WORD

If you don't already have a consistent time during the day when you meet with God, commit yourself now to daily Bible study and prayer.

### 3. IMITATE CHRIST

Becoming like Christ — being conformed to Him in mind, faith, and action — will not happen during a Bible-study cram session the week before your trip. It takes time, discipline, and your willingness to allow the Holy Spirit to search your heart and shape you into the image of Christ.

### 4. DEPEND ON CHRIST

Life on the mission field is physically, spiritually, and emotionally demanding. His strength is sufficient to meet every need you have, however deep, however immediate. (See Zechariah 4:6.)

Excerpt from "How to Be Spiritually Prepared for Missions,"

by LifeWay Young Adults

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# Meet Our Missionaries!

Some of our Caribbean missionaries from the Bahamas, O'Neil and Kayvanna Russell, are currently serving in Ireland. Please pray for their ministry, that God would provide for their needs and that they would see many souls saved there!



*"The Lord has commanded us: 'I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.'" -Acts 13:47*

## Where are you serving, and what do you do there?

We both serve in the Republic of Ireland. We are a part of the Philippian Project, which has the goal of bringing long-term workers into the country to serve alongside churches in various capacities with the ultimate goal of one day planting new churches out of those existing churches.

## How have you seen God work since joining your field of service?

We have seen God take us from having no idea where we would be serving in Ireland, to placing us in a solid, Bible-believing, Gospel-centered church with a pastor and membership among whom we feel accepted and loved.

## What do you wish people knew about mission work?

We wish people knew that both prayer and financial support is much needed on the mission field. Consistent support in those areas takes a big burden off the shoulders of the missionaries themselves and allows them to focus their energies in a greater way on the Lord's work and fulfilling the Great Commission.

## How can we pray for you?

We would request prayers for the Republic of Ireland as a nation. Gospel work moves very slowly in Ireland and that can cause missionaries serving here to become discouraged. Pray that God opens the eyes of the Irish people to their true need of a Saviour and pray that God gives grace in order that His servants here would persevere.

*Sing to the LORD, all the earth!  
Tell of his salvation from day to day.  
-1 Chronicles 16:23*



## Short Term Mission Trip Opportunities 2019:

### Exclusive Refugee Ministry- North Africa:

Ministering to the Nuba refugee children and their families

### Love Moldova:

Sharing the Gospel through a Mission by Faith to the least-reached villages in Moldova

### Step Out 2019:

Short-term program that provides practical mission training and experience hands-on mission in Asia

## How to Find Opportunities & Begin Application

Go to [www.om.org/caribbean](http://www.om.org/caribbean) the tab, "Join Us" and then "Mission Trips." You can search for specific terms or look at the ones automatically listed!



# Transform 2019 Greece

An OM leader in Barbados is planning to take a group of individuals from Barbados and other Caribbean countries to Transform Greece. If you are interested in this life-changing opportunity, we encourage you to join one of the following four Transform outreaches.

Transform 2019 Greece - Serving the Rough Part of Town

Transform 2019 Greece - Be a Brother to the Local Roma

Transform 2019 Greece - Serving a Small-Town Church

Transform 2019 Greece - Heartbeat of Greece

## How to join the group going to Transform Greece:

Go to: <https://www.om.org/caribbean/en>, and look in the tab, "Join Us" and then "Begin Application" to continue with the application process. On the form, in the comments box, please list the Transform trips you are interested in. Our team will begin working with you.



*"Declare God's glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples." -Psalms 96:3*

"There's only one thing that really comes back to mind when I think of the outreach in South Africa. It's amazing to see how amazing God operates. He was able to bring together 14 nationalities to the point of being a complete family that can survive any outreach and task given simply because of the unbreakable bond that holds us together, God's love."

-Selena, South Africa Missionary Discipleship Training



OM today is a mission movement of over 5,000 people from over 100 nationalities. We work in over 115 countries and aboard our ship, Logos Hope. Our name, Operation Mobilization, captures our heartbeat: to act personally and to mobilize followers of Jesus worldwide to join together to know Christ and to make Him known by any means, especially in places where He is not known.

We would love to hear from you. Contact us at:



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## What Our 2018 Short-Term Missionaries Have To Say!

"My time in Russia was really inspiring, from the cultural clash, with the food and the manners; to the religious similarities and differences. Working with children is so rewarding, because you plant that seed that you might not watch grow right there, but you know it's there, and you can see later in life, if you keep in touch, the product of it, and that's amazing. To say the least, traveling with OM was an amazing experience, you'll have a team to support you through the whole journey, and more than a team, a Christian family that cares for you and helps you out in times of need. It was a short-term mission trip, but a long-term reward!"

-Talia, Reaching the Unreached in Russia

*"And he said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.'"*

-Luke 10:2

"God is always there, even in the smallest jobs. What you might think is insignificant, God is always there. I learned this in the engine room [on Logos Hope]. Whenever I had to do a job and I put it before the Lord, He was always there to help me, to guide me, and to give me the wisdom."

-Darrion, Logos Hope Project Worker