

The Larsens with Next



“His mercy extends...from generation to generation.”

- Luke 1:50

Mary’s song declares the promise of Christmas is not only for us, but also for the next generation.

Luke records Mary’s song for us—an account we read with affection every Christmas. Yet Luke was only able to write his gospel because of his benefactor, Theophilus (Luke 1:3). Theophilus supported Luke’s ministry so that Luke could share the gospel...the gospel that has come down to us from generation to generation.

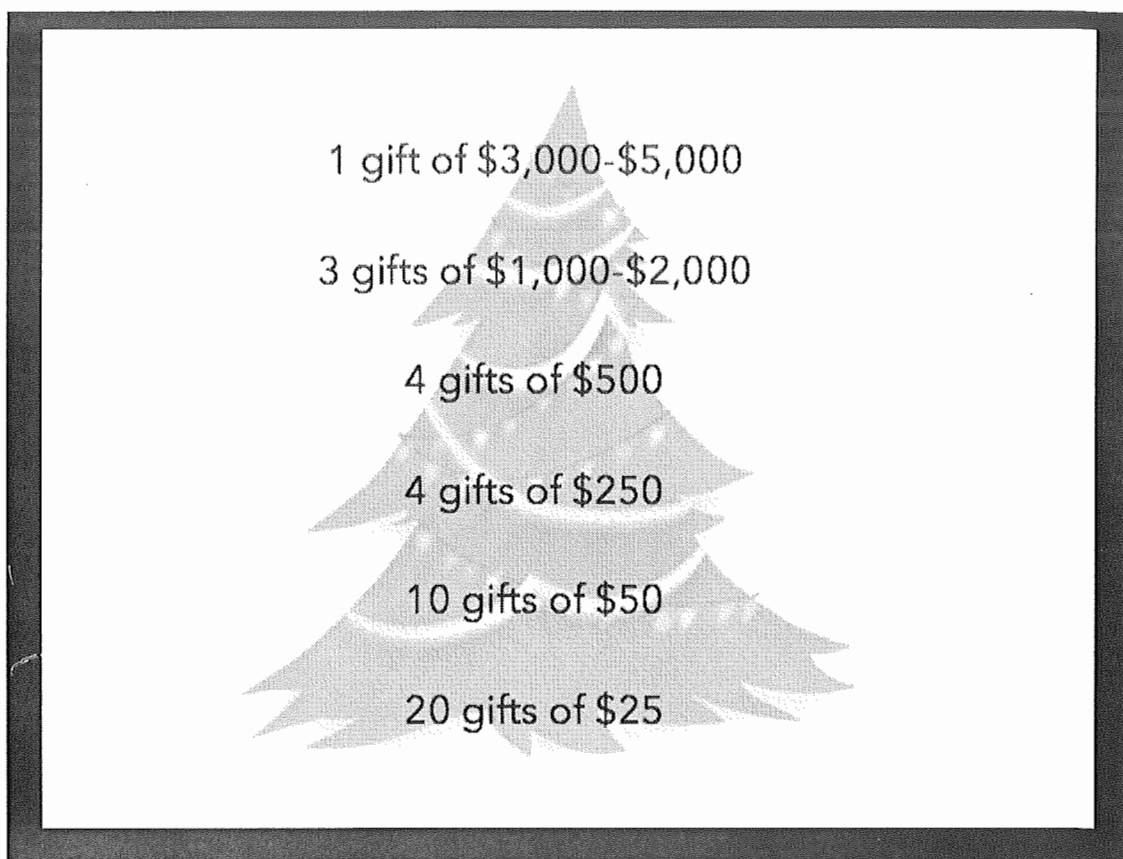
It’s that very gospel—the good news of Christmas—we in turn are called to share with the next generation.

****Check out Eric’s 2016 report and goals for 2017 in the footer.****

Thank you for your generous prayers and financial support as we serve the global church in reaching the next generation with the gospel—the good news of Christmas!

We rely on year-end giving to finish in the black and launch into next year from a strong fiscal foundation. Will you consider giving a special year-end gift toward our support?

We are praying the Lord provides \$15,000 by December 31st, 2016, and are asking for:



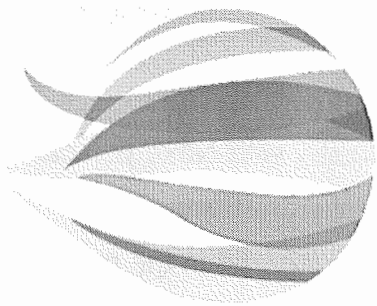
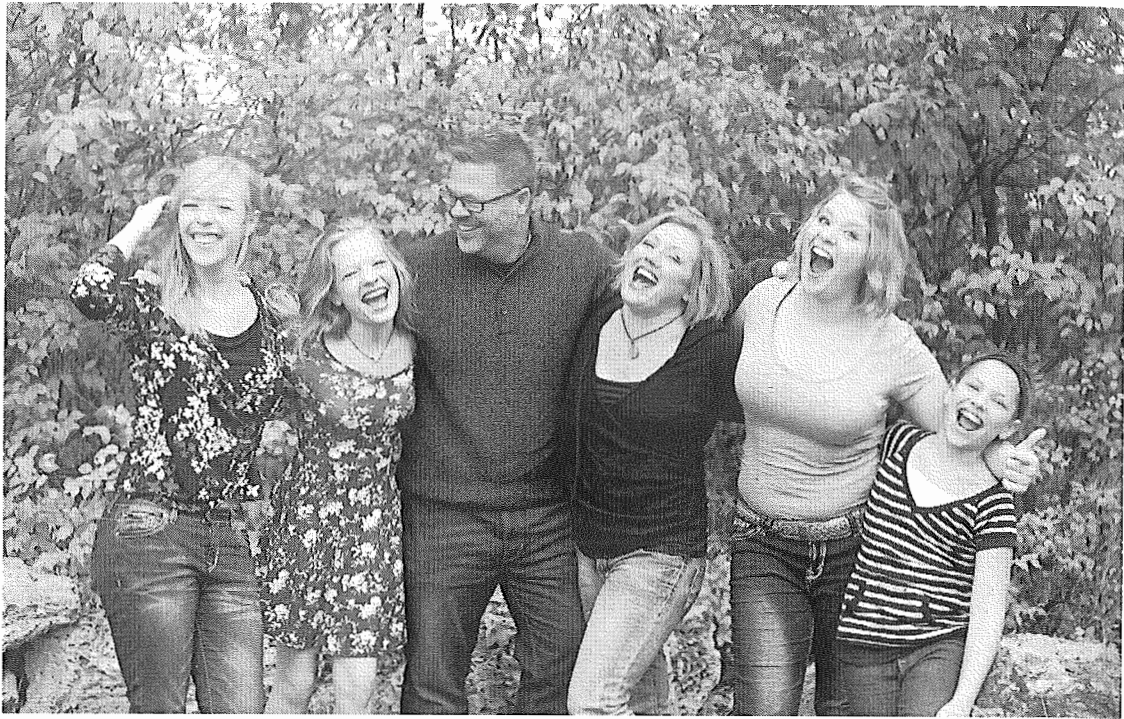
If you would like to make a year-end gift to our ministry with Next, you can
either give on-line, **mail a check to MTW Donations**
(PO Box 2589, Suwanee, GA 30024 - please include #29256 in the memo),
or make a stock transfer.

Thank you for prayerfully considering a special year-end gift to help us! **Merry
Christmas!**

In His Grip,

Eric & Rebecca

Abby, Meghan, Natalie, Emma



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For the Nations & Next Generation



Ministry Report of Past 12 Months

What were your primary ministry/personal goals for the past 12 months?

1. Launch our oldest daughter to college
2. Begin working with an executive coach
3. Launch College MK retreat
4. Launch Japan youth adventure camp

5. Launch Europe MK retreat
6. Re-brand ministry from GYFM to NEXT
7. Establish NEXT Team Leaders for Asia-Pacific, Europe, and Latin America
8. Expand NEXT Institute partnership with Covenant Seminary
9. Publish book

Do you believe that you reached these goals?

Yes! (although we are still waiting on publisher delays re: book launch)

What have been your ministry responsibilities for the past 12 months?

1. Shepherding & leading Next team
2. Training nationals & missionaries in next-gen ministry
3. Casting vision, strategic planning, developing partnerships, & recruiting
4. Care & counseling for mission families/adolescents
5. Local next-gen ministry

Provide two significant events that have occurred in your ministry this past year.

1. Deployed new missionary to join our Asia-Pacific team: Rachel Bauserman
2. Approved three new missionary units through MTW's Launch: Radke's (joining our Asia-Pacific team), Baxley's (joining our Latin-America team), and Graham's (joining our Latin America team)



Abby at her high school graduation!



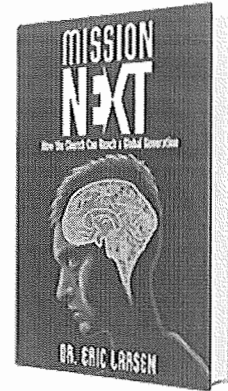
Eric with his local small group of middle-schoolers!



Rebecca & Meghan hosting at local women's/next-gen ministry Christmas party!



Additional goal of 2016: the year!
ACHIEVED.



Eric's book is coming out soon! Look for it
through Doulos Resources.

Ministry Planning for the Next 12 Months

What are your priority ministry/personal goals for the next 12 months?

1. Recruit & develop administrative support for NEXT team
2. Recruit & develop director for NEXT Institute
3. Publish book, *MissionNext: How the Church Can Reach a Global Generation*
4. Raise additional personal & ministry support needed

What will it take for you to be able to attain these goals?

1. Move from centralized leadership of Executive Director to more shared responsibility by the NEXT Field Council (leadership team)
2. Needed finances and human resources
3. Prayer and prioritization

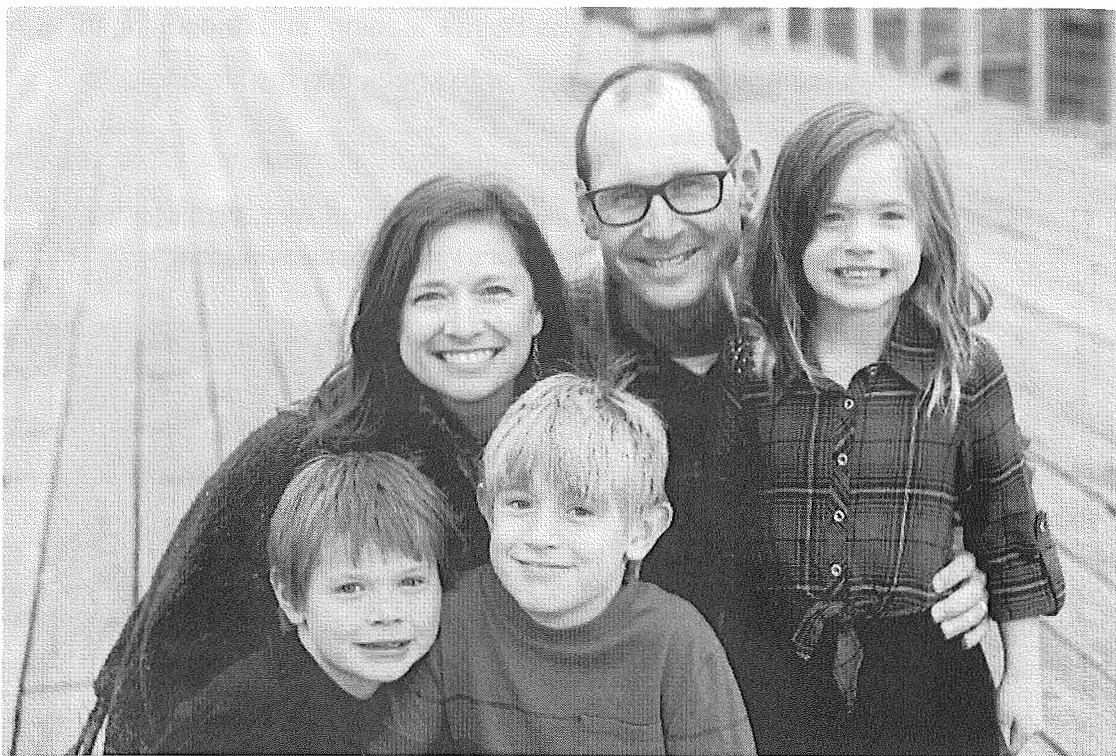
Are you expecting that your areas of responsibility, title, geographical location, etc. will change this coming year?

Yes. As ministry expands and the team grows, my role has to continue to evolve—shifting focus to key leaders, delegating previous responsibilities, staying out-in-

front on vision and direction, listening to the Spirit's leading, and deepening in dependence on the Lord and those he's placed to speak into my life and leadership.

Meet our newest teammates! Andrew & Kelly Baxley (top center), Eric & Anna Graham (middle left), Rachel Bauserman (middle right), and Sean & Lisa Radke (bottom center).





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