

CNBC Report for 2017 Annual Convention

Missions Team Report • Cesar Parra



Our goal is to visit churches in every province to encourage missions. As of September 2016, I visited CNBC churches in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Ontario and PEI to encourage the following:

Local Missions

We've communicated a local missional vision, based on Acts 1:8, that encourages congregations to live missions locally by being witnesses of the gospel and developing a relational/evangelistic movement that aims at meeting lost people every month in order to develop friendships and plant the seed of the gospel. Our goal is to train churches to develop a mentality that missions begins in our community. If we are not missional in our Jerusalem, our community, we will not be effectively missional to the ends of the earth.

Missions Across Canada

We're also working on encouraging and training our CNBC churches to partner with new church plants across Canada by connecting, praying and sending mission teams to help with outreach events and other necessities new churches may have. Living missions extends from our community and across our provinces, where our older established churches are participating in the church planting movement by partnering with NAMB in planting new churches every year.

Giving to Missions

We've been helping churches switch to our new way of giving to missions through the Global Mission Offering (GMO). This will make it easier for our new church plants to participate in our missions offering and be unified in the way we give and what we spend on missions as CNBC churches.

International Missions

Through our church/student mission grants we've been able to help 24 churches go on mission trips to Asia, Cuba, Greece, Dominican Republic and other parts of the world. God has used our mission teams to help our missionaries make contact with the lost by serving the community in diverse ways and by preaching the gospel.

Encouraging Youth Across Canada to get involved in Missions

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We are involving youth in missions by investing and developing young leaders to go on mission trips and even encouraging them to lead teams. Shelley from ROOTS did this in April by leading a team on a mission trip to Europe to serve in refugee camps.

We have two young candidates who are looking into going on international missions as CNBC/IMB journeymen for two years; they are in the application process.

Recruiting new missionary couples and adapting the application process

We've adapted our application process for international missions appointment to better fit couples to a people group according to their gifts, talents and what is expected from them on the mission field. For example: how they fit in different culture settings, their experience and passion for evangelism, church planting and developing leaders. We are also working to meet the changes that have been made in IMB's process in the past three years.

We currently have two candidates in the application process as CNBC/IMB international missionaries. If God is willing we aim to have three more units in international missions with our CNBC in the next two years.