

As COVID-19 restrictions begin to lift across our country and more and more people are getting vaccinated, most of the developing world is still struggling with the aftermath of this terrible disease and its path of destruction. We just received news from Uganda that they have entered a very strict lockdown for more than a month. In other areas, like India, our partners send word of the climbing death toll and of entire families that have disappeared.

More than ever, amidst all of the pain and turmoil, Christian churches in these nations need pastors and ministry leaders who love and care for their communities well, leaders who know how to proclaim the Word of God rightly as they walk alongside these tragedy-stricken neighbors and friends.

Thirdmill is committed to standing with these courageous pastors. Week after week we receive word of leaders making a dramatic difference in people's lives. But there is a shortage of well-equipped church difference makers.

Those who have received Thirdmill training often share their appreciation with us for the materials that Thirdmill has freely given, materials that you have helped put into their hands, and many reach out asking for more—more materials, in more languages, with more ways to help them learn and understand the truths of Scripture.



This is why we recently launched the Thirdmill Global Network.

**The Thirdmill Global Network (TGN) is a global community of believers seeking to help train leaders, who will then train more leaders, who will then train more leaders.**

Our goal is to train four million ministry leaders in the next five years. Due to the urgency of the situation, we've already begun the work, trusting God to provide the funds.

A pastor at a recent event in Mexico reflected:

This [biblical] training material from Thirdmill is what the church here in Mexico desperately needs. Our churches are being overrun with false teachings... Our pastors must know what the Bible says about such things and that our authority comes directly from God's Word.

A church leader in Kenya told us:

The Thirdmill program has been accepted by all across this region, and I receive invitations daily from different churches and ministries across this region... to start study groups in their respective churches. This is a breakthrough for the Thirdmill materials to reach everyone here!

People are hungry for solid, biblical education—and you are providing it! Whether you give \$50, \$100, \$250 or more, you are giving a pastor the biblical and theological training to care for their community well and to train others. Considering that each pastor touches an average of 100 other believers, your gift is multiplied exponentially.

As you join us in a sacrificial way, we can replicate these training networks in more and more regions of the world. Our TGN partner in Russia recently presented the opportunity for biblical education to church leaders at several pastors' conferences. Reflecting upon this opportunity, he said:

Everywhere I spoke to pastors and church leaders I was impressed by their hunger to know more about the Bible. I was surprised to discover how many of them, from my own country, had little or no formal Bible training. Thirdmill is able to provide the biblical education that they need to be better prepared to lead their churches. I can't tell you how excited I am to be able to share this good news with the churches in Russia and throughout Eurasia!

It is this spiritual hunger for God's Word that Thirdmill is uniquely equipped to satisfy. With your help we are training global church leaders, providing materials, and offering guidance and support to these learning communities.

Please pray for the continued work of the TGN. We have identified a few key global partners already, but there is much work to be done. We have an immediate need for \$300,000 to launch the next phase of the TGN.

**Pray that we will raise up additional in-country training partners who know the language and customs and can bring the Word of God to others by training pastors in the areas where they are so desperately needed.**

The power of God's Word is not chained by pandemics, lockdowns, or limited access to theological training. God's Word is reaching people, equipping them to know Him and to build His church. But the task is not yet done. This is actually just beginning.

Thank you for being part of what God is doing in the world.



Blessings,  
Dr. Richard L. Pratt, Jr.  
Co-Founder and President

P.S. We are so grateful for your continued support. As you can see, it is needed now more than ever. Your gift today helps provide biblical education to countless pastors in their own lands and languages. As always, your investment will be put to immediate use to impact the global church. You are making a difference in the world for Christ!