



# Other Printed Material Samples

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Dear Friends and Church Family,

Our 18<sup>th</sup> annual Global Impact Celebration is just around the corner! Our theme this year is "2020 Vision for the World."

We have having our missionaries and families come "home" to share exciting stories of how God is working in their lives and ministries. Many of our missionaries, agencies and schools—from those serving in our local community to those who serve around the world—will join us for this weekend. As we listen and see where God is working in their lives, we can also consider what our role as individuals, and collectively as a church family, will be this year, through our gifts of time and financial resources, as we go forth into 2020.

Make your meal reservations online or by using this brochure. We look forward to seeing you at GIC 2020!

Rev. Eddie Bradford  
Senior Pastor

The Rev. Dr. Carolyn Moore will speak at our Friday night Kick-off Banquet on January 24. Carolyn is an ordained Elder in the United Methodist Church. Her call is to create conversations and communities that expose the Kingdom of God.

A two-time graduate of Ashby Theological Seminary (M.Div. and Th.M.), Carolyn has served in the local church since 1998, and as the founding pastor of Mosaic Church since 2003. In a broken world, Mosaic Church exists to help people become whole through Jesus. In 2017, the church launched The Mosaic Church as a separate non-profit to focus more intentionally on building lives and breaking cycles in their community.

The Rev. Dr. Max Wilkins will lead our Faith and Life Commitment Service on Sunday, January 26. Max served as a pastor in Florida and Hawaii for 30 years prior to becoming president and CEO of TMS Global. He has led small and large local churches, planted satellite campuses, and helped to launch more than 100 church plants during that time. Max has been personally engaged in cross-cultural mission work for 20 years, having served and taught in more than three dozen countries around the world. He is a public advocate for missions in the local church.

Max and Dee Dee have been married since 1985 and have two children. He is fluent in Spanish and is currently studying Portuguese. Max enjoys reading, watching movies and theater productions, long distance running, surfing, watching sports, traveling, cooking, fishing, and is a big fan of the University of Florida. Go gators!

### 2020 Global Impact Celebration Schedule of Events

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 21**  
Prayer Walk throughout the Church—7:00 p.m.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 23**  
18 Hour Prayer Vigil  
Begins at 6:00 p.m. Thursday and continues through until 12:00 noon Friday. Sign up in the Narthex.

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 24**  
Missionary Arrival and Kick-Off Banquet  
3:30-4:30 p.m. Missionary Registration and Display Setup  
4:30-5:30 p.m. Social Time for Missionaries  
5:30-6:15 p.m. Missionary Orientation  
6:15-8:45 p.m. GIC Kick-Off Banquet\* with speaker Rev. Dr. Carolyn Moore  
8:30-9:00 p.m. Missionaries at Displays

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 25**  
Church-wide Breakfast\* and Missionary Gathering  
All are invited to enjoy a full breakfast prepared by our Men's Ministry and hear missionaries share details of their experiences on the mission field.  
Missionary Home Gatherings  
All are invited to attend Home Gatherings to meet and talk with some of our missionaries one on one. Watch the Mission Newsletter for locations and speakers.

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 26**  
Light Breakfast and Church-wide Missionary Gathering  
All are invited to join us in the Family Life Center for a Light Breakfast (no reservations needed). Missionaries will share details of their experiences on the mission field.  
Faith and Life Commitment Service  
Keynote Speaker: Rev. Dr. Max Wilkins

\*Reservations needed for Friday and Saturday meals

**Purpose of the Mission Celebration:**

To help all members of Norcross First United Methodist Church discover their roles in fulfilling the Great Commission throughout God's Kingdom by praying, giving, and going.

**WOW God Facts:**

- 1) Prior to 2004, Missions was included in our General Budget each year.
- 2) In 2004 we held our first Global Impact Celebration.
- 3) Beginning in 2005, Missions was removed from our General Budget and our Faith Promise giving became the sole method of funding our mission outreach efforts.
- 4) Since 2005, \$2,900,371 has been raised and sent out to support missionaries and agencies and to help fund mission trips and activities from local to national to international!

**Goals:**

- 1) To remind church members that God calls us to serve.
- 2) To increase missionaries/ministries who are actively serving.
- 3) To raise financial resources for our missionaries/ministries across the street and around the world.

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HEBREWS 12:1-2A

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**Missionary Panels**

Plan to share with the group for 4-5 minutes. Where have you seen God at work during 2019? Where do you see God leading your ministry in 2020? We'll have a Q&A session.

**Saturday Panelists:**

- Friends of Refugees
- Good News Clubs of Gwinnett
- Gwinnett Habitat for Humanity
- Neal & Shirley Hicks—TMS Global
- Next Generation Focus

**Sunday Panelists:**

- Beaver Ridge Elementary School
- Family Promise of Gwinnett County
- Friends of Refugees
- Georgia Gwinnett College Wesley
- Good News Clubs of Gwinnett County
- Gwinnett Habitat For Humanity
- Next Generation Focus
- Norcross Cooperative Ministry
- Norcross Elementary School
- NOW Kenya
- Obria Medical Clinics
- Tent Ministries—Israel
- TMS Global—Charlie Chastain
- TMS Global—Headquarters
- TMS Global—Neal & Shirley Hicks
- Tom Atkins Evangelistic Association
- UNITE—Norcross / Peachtree Corner
- Wilderness Works
- Young Life

**GIC 2020 Home Gatherings**  
Saturday, January 25  
7:00pm

We are excited to announce three home gatherings for our Global Impact Celebration weekend. Come hear stories from the field and speak one on one with our missionaries! Please contact the host/pastor prior to the gathering to let them know you plan to attend.

**Rev. Eddie Bradford**  
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January 26, 2020

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**Missions & Ministries Here This Week**

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**Slideshow of 2019 Outreach Events**

Welcome: Rev. Eddie Bradford

Blessing

Dinner

Introduction of Missionaries: Gary Grahn

Worship: Praise Team

Message: Rev. Dr. Carolyn Moore

Table Prayers: Rev. Bradford

Praise Him: Praise Team

Benediction: Brad Carr

Please visit our Missionaries at their displays following the program tonight



