
THE SEND LIST

1. PRAY

- a. Become a prayer advocate for a missionary. Commit to pray regularly. Pray for adjustment to new everything, protection, children, housing, lack of western conveniences, loneliness, homesickness, relationships, dependence, effectiveness in ministry, functional tools of ministry and life, encouragement, people being ministered to, stability, wisdom, compassion, self-discipline, filled with Holy Spirit.
- b. Pray for a specific unengaged people group to have someone sent to them.
- c. Pray for more pray-ers and more prayers!

2. CONNECT

- a. With a small group of people, adopt a missionary family from your church – be their advocate – pray, give, send, keep their vision alive, welcome when they come home, remember them on holidays, birthdays and other special occasions with at least a card, host a “Christmas in August” party to prepare a Christmas box for them - send books, music, food etc. Be in it for the long haul.
- b. Write a letter of encouragement to or Skype a missionary you know.
- c. Send surprise care packages at random times of the year.
- d. Send a short-term team who can concretely help your missionary to serve long term goals
- e. Be a missionary’s point person (liaison) here in the U.S.
- f. Be a host family when missionaries come back.
- g. Offer assistance in communicating with missionaries’ parents
- h. Care for the missionary’s stateside family, especially kids home for college.
- i. Help missionaries debrief by listening to their stories and reconnecting them with their home culture when they return.
- j. Set-up or be pen pals with missionary kids.

3. CELEBRATE

- a. Organize a commissioning service or party for missionaries when they leave.
- b. Go to the airport with missionaries when they leave or return.
- c. Host parties to give their supporters a feel for the culture to which the missionary is going.
- d. Welcome missionaries home by hosting a party or inviting them to dinner to hear about their world.

4. GIVE MONEY

- a. Give \$50 to someone you know going on a short-term mission trip.
- b. Host a garage sale/ money-making event and give proceeds to a mission/missionary you know.
- c. What can you give up for Lent? movies? lattes? hamburgers? new CDs? Try it for 40 days and give the money saved to a mission or missionary.
- d. Commit to give monthly financial support.
- e. Lend missionaries your car when they come back.
- f. Purchase a car, house or bike for use when the missionary is on home assignment.

- g. Furnish an apartment for missionaries to use while they are on home assignment.
- h. Donate your vacation home, airline miles or timeshare for the missionary's use.
- i. Set up an education fund for missionary children.
- j. Supply groceries or gift cards for the missionary family while they are on home assignment.
- k. Purchase new clothes or gift cards for children of missionaries.
- l. Treat missionaries to meals and or coffee.
- m. Treat missionaries on home assignment to something special: manicure, massage, etc.
- n. Provide needed equipment (international cell phone, musical instruments, computers, etc.)

5. GIVE TIME

- a. Help workers with personal logistics (i.e. finances, prayer letters, etc.).
- b. Help missionaries deal with medical issues or insurance.
- c. Help a missionary design a website, set up a blog or connect to Facebook.
- d. Create tentmaker jobs for missionaries via your connections or company.
- e. Edit missionary's e-mails before sending them out.
- f. Offer to take care of children, pets, homes, plants, etc. while missionaries are away.
- g. Let missionaries store their stuff at your house.
- h. Offer to be their "U.S." mailing address and to manage the missionary's home-side bills.
- i. Serve retired missionaries in as many ways as you can think of.