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# Missions Update from the Hertwecks



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## How Does God Call to Missions?

Many people have asked, "How do I know if I am called to missions? "How does God call people to be missionaries?"

There are probably as many answers to that question as there are missionaries. God doesn't call everyone the same way. Some people are called like Saul on the road to Damascus with a life-changing instantaneous experience that comes as a surprise. Others are called as they sit in a service and hear a missionary give the challenge of missions.

My (Galen's) call to missions came gradually. I had never felt a call to missions. Then I was invited to teach a course at Continental Bible College (now Continental Theological Seminary) in Brussels, Belgium, in 1983. It was a wonderful experience. About six months later I was invited to teach a course in Singapore. Again, it was another wonderful experience. Later I taught a course at Asia Pacific Theological Seminary (APTS) (at the time known as FEAST) in the Philippines. It was another great experience, and I felt God's blessing on that ministry and that perhaps God was calling me to do that full-time.

I approached the
Assemblies of God Division of
Foreign Missions in 1992 and told
them what I felt God calling me
do. It wasn't God's timing then,
but I never lost that feeling, and a
few years later it was God's
timing. In 2000 I was accepted as

an Assemblies of God missionary and for 20 years have been teaching at APTS and other Bible colleges and seminaries in Asia Pacific and in 18 countries around the world. The past 20 years as a missionary have been some of the most productive and fulfilling years of my life so far. Even teaching on Zoom, as I am now, is making an impact on students literally around the world.

If you are not sure if God is calling you to missions, get involved in some way. Go on a short-term missions assignment. Be open to the voice of the Holy Spirit and seek his confirmation. Pray for his direction. God will make his will clear in your life. And don't hesitate to obey.

#### Galen's Third Trimester Classes — Hermeneutics and New Testament Introduction

We are currently in Santa Ana, CA, waiting for the Philippines to open up to Americans after the Covid crisis. Please pray for continued productivity and effectiveness for the Kingdom of God.





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