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OUR MISSION: To establish, equip, and encourage military Christian leaders and fellowships worldwide.

Establishing a Foothold: Laying the Groundwork for Police Ministry

In April, ACCTS' International First Responder Director Chris Green traveled to Spain and Italy for the purpose of understanding nationalized police and first responder ministries in Europe to help inform his new role. At the heart of this mission trip were the goals of **making connections with locals who are already sharing Christ with police forces and helping equip and encourage gospel-centered outreach to Europe's law enforcement personnel.**

Chris's time focused on developing strong partnerships by listening, learning, and collaborating with local leaders. Rather than bringing a one-size-fits-all approach, the goal was to understand how ministry to first responders can be done in ways that are both gospel-centered and culturally meaningful.

In Spain, Chris spent time with Juan N., a retired federal police officer, discussing ongoing ministries to European police officers. Discussions focused on the importance of gatherings for Christian police personnel and the exciting possibility of bringing more international police, including US officers, to future events.

Discussions highlighted the unique context of European law enforcement, the need for greater global collaboration and fellowship among officers, and the vital role of first responders as the primary carriers of the Gospel in their workplaces.



Laying the Groundwork for Police Ministry

The trip continued in Italy, where meetings with Massimo, another ACCTS staff member, provided Chris valuable insight into how various ministries across Europe work together to support military and police personnel. Important conversations also took place between Chris and Marcello D., a retired Italian Navy officer, who shared his vision of bringing an evangelical chaplaincy into the Italian Navy and potentially other branches of the military.

Chris ended his trip in Italy with Francois in Rome, learning more about the heart of the team that has been built in Italy and beyond. These conversations reinforced a shared call and revealed just how many doors are opening for collaboration.

Throughout the trip, one theme remained constant: **the importance of establishing and equipping strong calling to Christian police officers to bring the gospel to their fellow officers.** The relationships built and conversations held were foundational, and there was a strong sense that God is opening significant doors for long-term partnerships that can deeply impact first responders and their communities.

As ACCTS look ahead to further maturing first responder ministry, we are excited about what these connections may lead to—a cooperative effort to support and disciple first responders around the world. Please pray for Chris's future opportunities, including an October mission trip when Chris and others from the U.S. will attend the First Responder Conference in Spain, to continue building collaboration, encouragement, and fellowship.



Meet Paul and Ann Funk, ACCTS Prayer Coordinators



We're pleased to introduce Capt (USMC, Ret) Paul and Ann Funk as ACCTS' new Prayer Coordinators. After retiring from the Marines, became a DoD civilian and was the Director of Intelligence Training for the US Marine's Special Operations Training Group. Paul and Ann bring a depth of experience and commitment to this role. They follow Mike and Leslie Fligg, who faithfully led this ministry for more than two decades.

Please join us in praying for Paul and Ann as they step into this important work, asking God to grant them wisdom, discernment, and strength as they lead and encourage prayer across the ACCTS community.

**"It's in those private times
[of prayer] that we are refreshed,
strengthened, and rejuvenated.
It's then we can see our lives from
God's perspective and discover
what is really important. That's
where we understand who it is we
belong to and believe in."
— Stormie Omartian**



Ministry Calendar

We deeply appreciate your prayers for God's leading on all these upcoming ministry events!

- 8-24 June: Mongolian Military Christian Fellowship Tent Event. *ACCTS Staff Participating: Rick and Nancy Jackson, Ed Ward, Robert Johnston*
- 15-22 June: AMCF Leaders Interaction, South Korea. Participants: AMCF president and vice presidents. *ACCTS Staff Participating: Colin and Amy Wooten, Jason Buckner, Rick Ryles, Andy and Grace MacLean*
- 13-24 July: International Chaplain Training, Nairobi, Kenya. *Staff Leader: Ron Huggler Ministry Partner: International Association of Evangelical Chaplains*
- 24 July – 6 August: Interaction-Rocky Mountain High, Colorado. *Staff: Emanuela Haien, Andy MacLean, Russ Hammerud, Rick and Nancy Jackson*

**“And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.”
Matthew 24:14**

Advancing the Gospel

ACCTS’ ministry is one of multiplication, where we follow God’s calling to advance the gospel through local military Christian fellowship leaders and members who are equipped for ministry through ACCTS, so they in turn can equip the next generation, creating ripple effects that extend far beyond our presence. We look and we long for the truth of Matthew 24:14, a verse sometimes called “The Great Completion,” to become a reality among our people group - the armed forces around the world. Thank you for sharing with us in this ministry of advancing the gospel among the world’s armed forces!

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A higher purpose.*



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