

YWAMMT





Connor's Missions Ministry with Youth With A Mission School of Biblical Studies





#### THIS IS YWAM GLOBAL

Youth With A Mission is a global movement of Christians from many cultures, age groups, and Christian traditions, dedicated to serving Jesus throughout the world. Also known as YWAM (pronounced "WHY-wham"), we unite in a common purpose to know God and to make Him known.

Back when we began in 1960, our main focus was to get youth involved in missions. Today, we still focus on youth, and we also involve people aged 8 to 80. We currently work in more than 1,100 locations in over 180 countries, with a staff of over 26,000, and have had more than 5 million people do an outreach or mission school with us.





Train. Serve. Go.

Together we commit to the communication of the gospel by training, sending, supporting and being missionaries.



#### TRAINING AND SENDING

YWAM's location in Lakeside, MT is a YWAM community called to train and multiply followers of Christ to bring the Kingdom of God to the nations by focusing on Strategic issues, seasons, places, people, and spheres of influence in society. We do this by discipling each other in healthy community, living out the Lordship of Christ, locally and globally.



#### TARGET NATIONS

In an effort to increase our long-term effectiveness in our overseas outreaches and ministry, YWAM Montana adopted the concept of "targeting." We are partnering with YWAM ministries in these nations (Ukraine, India, Nepal, Thailand, Cambodia and Taiwan) by coming alongside them in tangible ways to help them fulfill their vision and ministry goals. We do this by building relationships, sending school outreach teams, resources, and missionary member outreach teams to meet specific needs.



Ending Bible Poverty Now

Because the world waits.



Millions of people do not have access to the Word of God. We have a plan to produce and distribute the Bible in every language for every people group until every nation is transformed by the Word of God. We believe that everyone in the Kingdom of God has a role in ending Bible poverty.

End Bible Poverty Now is a global initiative of YWAM. YWAM is proud to partner with many organizations around the world to accomplish this task. Wycliffe, SIL and Seed Company are leading the charge for translation. The Jesus Film Project, United Bible Societies, OM, American Bible Society, Faith Comes By Hearing and YWAM are taking initiative to distribute and educate the nations with God's Word.

We, as YWAM MT, are firmly behind this undertaking as we are already involved in the distribution and education steps of this process. We believe that the Bible does and will continue to transform people's lives around the world!



#### SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL STUDIES

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Our aim as **YWAM MT** is to know God and make Him known. As the School of Biblical Studies (**SBS**), we do this specifically through biblical training. The Bible is currently being translated and distributed across the world, and people are hungry to understand and engage with God's Word. The SBS exists to address this need. We equip missionaries to study the Bible so that they can train others because we believe that the Bible transforms people, nations, and cultures!



#### **BIBLE-PEOPLE-MISSIONS**

Our values of **Bible**, **People**, and **Missions** are all interconnected and anchored in the **Gospel of Jesus Christ**. As we study and uphold Scripture as truth, we naturally value those around us. When we value people through the lens of the Gospel, we obtain a missional focus. Each value is dependent on the other, and falls flat without the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

#### TRAINING

Our first goal as the School of Biblical Studies is to train our students in the Inductive Method and the content of the English Bible. In nine months we take our students through all 66 books of the Bible teaching them to observe, interpret, and apply the Word for themselves.

#### **SENDING & SUPPORTING**

Our second goal consists of supporting and sending missionaries. During the year, our staff are sent out on trips to teach and train in other SBS locations around the world. This not only supports those schools on the ground, but also builds bridges to easily send both staff and students into long term missions.



# WHAT I DO

#### CONNOR'S VISION SBS Staff: 2020-2022



To help others see and understand the transforming power of God's Word so they can apply it to their lives now and through the future, and be equipped to share this transformation in their local communities and throughout the nations.



Teaching aspiring Bible scholars and missionaries, and equipping them with tools to teach others.







Meeting weekly with the students to aid in their personal growth, and their understanding and application of Scripture.

John 17:17 "Sanctify them in truth, your word is Truth."



Going around the world, primarily to the target nations of YWAM Montana, to teach and equip other Bible students and teachers.



### THE IMPACT ON STUDENTS & STAFF

"The School of Biblical Studies. Without knowing it, this was a school I had dreamed and longed to do for years. However, I was fearful of not being able to handle the workload and I feared missing out on other things I could be doing. "Maybe a music school instead; leading worship and writing songs is my thing, not being a full-time student." But I knew this was where God was leading me. Through studying the New Testament and the Old Testament, God has been teaching me the tangibility of grace, the revelation of His ever-pursuing Heart, and His holiness. Having biblical understanding and vision of who God is has totally redefined how I worship! Every week I've found myself falling more in love with Jesus and not missing out on worship at all - in fact, it's only increased! Worship has become not only something I get to do, but who I am. It all comes out of the new beauty I've discovered in Him."



Kylie Barnett, SBS Student 2019-2020



Vera Ulrich, SBS Staff 2017-present

"I have experienced and seen the transformation that God brings through studying the Bible and that is why I love staffing the School of Biblical Studies. God keeps changing me as well as the students I get to walk through life with. I have seen God transforming students' minds and characters as they are confronted with God's character in His Word and start believing what God says about Himself: that He actually cares for them, that He has invited them individually and corporately to play a part in His Kingdom, that He is just and merciful and that social injustice matters to Him. These are only a few examples, but the transformation that God brings through His word does not only affect our school, but anyone our changed students come in contact with."

"Studying God's story with mankind has shown me that I belong to something much greater than just "Jesus & me". I got a new heart for His church. Yes, we are all human, struggle and fail to live up to what God desires for us, but He is committed to us - He was from the beginning.
Studying the Bible truly opened my eyes to see that the Gospel is unstoppable. All throughout history it has been passed on despite persecution, oppression, and suffering. And here I am, studying it. Entrusted with the truth to share it with others."



Eva Weinmann, SBS Student 2018-2019

# THE IMPACT THROUGH STUDENTS & STAFF



## GOING TO THE NATIONS



SBS staff regularly are presented with the opportunity to encourage and equip other Bible teachers, distribute Bibles in people's native languages, and partner with and serve ministries around the world, engaging in the worldwide call to bring the Gospel to the nations.

Upon completing SBS, many students make the decision to go to the nations to share what they learned, because they want others to see the power of the Word of God.



A group of students from a recent SBS went to the Himalayan Mountains, traveling to people in villages who had never heard the name of Jesus. They were able to not only present the Gospel, but also teach people how to study the Word of God for themselves.

#### ACCEPTING THE CALL TO GO

Accepting the call to go can mean going out to the most distant nation and traversing to the farthest remote village, but it can also mean accepting the call to one's home community and church. This is the call many students accept upon completing SBS, serving and

building up the church which raised them.



Former SBS student preaching at her home church.

For those who are called to pursue full-time ministry, SBS serves as an invaluable launch point toward further theological seminary education.



Two former SBS students and staff graduating from Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary.

# THREE PILLARS OF MISSIONS

# Missions



# Taking away one pillar of missions causes the whole mission to crumble.

- Without those who go to the people who need to be reached, nobody would be reached and the mission would come up short.
- Without those who train/equip, those who go would be sent, but the result would be passionate people who lack direction or proper preparation and the mission would come up short.
- Without those who support/send, there would be at most one group who would be trained and would go, but the ministry would not be sustainable and the mission would come up short.

# BECOMING A MINISTRY PARTNER



# Fully Funded Budget: \$2,000/Month

# Current Support Level: \$1,410/Month

Monthly/Yearly levels of giving



*"...give what you have decided in your heart to give... for God loves a cheerful giver."* 2 Cor 9:7



#### Set up online/automatic giving through the following steps:

- Go to giving.ywammontana.org/support/connorneumannsleeper
- Create an account if supporting monthly.
  - (As a regular donor it is recommended that you create an account. Having an account will keep your year-to-date information correct. Your information will be saved so you will not have to enter it each time you want to make a donation. This will allow you to control your giving method and amounts.)
- Choose the frequency of your gift (monthly or one time) and method of payment (credit, debit, or eCheck).

ALL donations are tax deductible through our ministry as YWAM is a registered 501c3 Non-Profit

Mail-in donation options are also available. Write checks out to "**YWAM**" and leave the memo line blank. (DO NOT PUT MY NAME ON THE CHECK)

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