



GLOBAL

CRISIS
NEED
OPPORTUNITY

A Letter from the President, Doug Gehman

The terrifying reality of COVID-19 can perhaps be summarized in one simple truth: For the first time in history, a crisis is global in scope, touching every nation on earth. Other catastrophes have been far more devastating, in terms of loss of life: World War II, the Bubonic Plague (1300s), the Spanish Flu (1918), killed tens, even hundreds of millions. But never before has a crisis reached sweeping global proportions.

This singular fact should concern every Christian. This is THE new reality of the 21st Century. Our modern transportation systems, which achieved so much good, have within a few recent months delivered pestilence to every nation on earth. For Christians this is an eschatological marker. Something is happening in the world today at an unprecedented level... and we MUST pay attention.

The single most important challenge to Christians, after we provide for the safety and well-being of our loved ones, is our compassionate service to our communities – next door and around the world – in Christ's name.

In our legitimate concern for our own nation, we must not forget that the sufferings of people in developing areas is far greater than what we will probably ever face in the West. Billions of people are under-resourced on every level: financial margins, community services, access to food and water, adequate medical facilities, stability and safety, and even governmental integrity in reporting the crisis.

Here are a few letters we recently received from Globe workers:

Nation A: "The COVID-19 situation in {location redacted} is still very unknown. There are several publicly confirmed cases in the country, but we don't know the real number since the government does not disclose that information. We do know that because of the poverty, most people live paycheck to paycheck and cannot afford to stay at home for several weeks. We also know that the healthcare system would not be able to handle a country-wide epidemic."

Nation B: "After a week of quarantine and home seclusion, people are feeling desperate and hopeless. Food, both for body and spirit are much needed now. Please keep us in your prayers, we need wisdom and strength in this uncertain time."

Nation C: "Things have drastically changed. The government has closed schools. Children's homes are on lock down. Our overall staff has been drastically reduced. We are praying daily for God's protection over the children and staff! Currently, there are no tests for the Coronavirus. We are blessed with water, although to pump it requires electricity which is sporadic. Pray that {nation redacted} gets the medical supplies this country needs."

Most Globe missionaries cannot travel right now. Some are stuck in locations that are far from where they need to be. For those who are in place, most will not leave their stations anyway... unless they are forced.

But they NEED RESOURCES to serve their communities!

We must take up the challenge! To believe God for GREAT THINGS... more than ever before!

- Trusting God to protect and supply for our family's and neighbor's every need.
- Expecting God to empower us to serve and give generously to others.
- Generously supporting our missionaries as they face greater difficulties right now.

LET'S BELIEVE GOD FOR THE GOSPEL TO GO FARTHER... AND FASTER THAN IT EVER HAS BEFORE!

The COVID-19 crisis could become one of the greatest opportunities for Christians to courageously serve human need and boldly stand for the redeeming power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in this generation. We are anchored in eternity! And nothing can shake that reality.

You are making a huge difference by your partnership. An army of missionaries thank you!

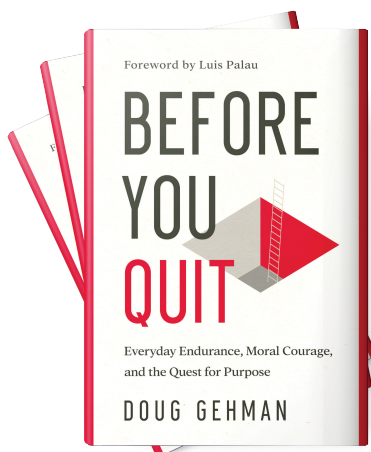
OFFICE ALERT for APRIL!

On Thursday, April 2nd, Florida Governor DeSantis imposed a state-wide "Stay-at-home" order for the month of April. Globe had already begun staff separation and spacing practices at Headquarters. Now, most staff are working from home – with access via home-based computers to our internal network – to manage donations, financial distributions, and print media. One person picks up mail daily and delivers it to our Finance personnel at home for processing checks. Another staff makes distributions to our missionary personnel. A third prepares newsletters and print media at home, then goes into Globe once or twice per week to print and prepare mailings. Another staff delivers mailings to the post office. All of us can be contacted via our normal channels – email accounts and office phones are installed in staff homes. Please reach out to us with your questions or concerns. In short, all of Globe's essential services will continue without interruption.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROUS SUPPORT OF THE GLOBE MISSIONARY FAMILY DURING THIS TIME OF DIFFICULTY!

NEW BOOK from Doug Gehman

HOW NON-QUITTERS CHANGED THE WORLD



You're exhausted. As you see your time and joy being spent on something that isn't going the way you planned... some days you wonder if it'd just be better to quit.

Whether it's now or later, we're all faced with a choice between good and easy, between continuing on through difficulty or giving up. When that day comes, what will you choose?

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