

SERVE THE WORLD OPPORTUNITIES 2020

"Use what's in you to bless the world around you!"

PERSPECTIVES Jan. 22-May 6, 2020 Wednesdays, 6:30-9:30PM @ OCC

Overlake is hosting a 15-week course called, "Perspectives on the World Christian Movement," a paradigm shifting course that helps people discover how God is redeeming people from every tribe, tongue, and nation and how he calls all disciples to participate with him. The course explores the Biblical, Historical, Cultural and Strategic dimensions of God's redemptive story. We strongly encourage you to consider taking this course and inviting others to join as well. It will radically challenge the way you perceive your world, the Bible, and your purpose here on earth. You can register at www.perspectives.org.

ADOPTION OF UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS

In the last year, Overlake has adopted 9 Unreached, Unengaged People Groups (UUPGs) around the world. An UUPG is a group of people who share a similar culture and language and to our knowledge have never had the opportunity to hear about Jesus or have any known Christian worker among them. Through our OCC ministry partners and missionaries we have around the world, we have a goal to engage these unreached people groups over the next 5 years! This is all very exciting, but we will need your help through prayer, mobilization of teams, research, finances, and more. Email LynneG@occ.org you'd like to be involved!

SHORT TERM MISSION TRIPS

The Kitale Project: KENYA

Overlake is championing a phenomenal ministry which rescues children from the streets of Kenya and reintegrates them back into loving families. Through our partnership with Agape Children's Ministry, thousands of street children have been successfully reintegrated back to families. Every year Overlake sends several teams to come alongside the ministry there, to encourage the workers, help cast vision to local pastors, and love on children both living at the center and on the streets. This trip is an incredible opportunity and will ruin you in all the right ways!

Teams for 2020: April (SM), May, July, & Nov

Redlight Outreach: THAILAND

Not Abandoned is one of Overlake's closest partners! Their vision is to provide love, hope, and options to women who have been trafficked into the sex industry in Pattaya, Thailand. Pattaya is one of the largest destinations for sex tourism in the world with an estimated 200,000 women living in bondage. NA provides opportunities for job skill training and various services for these women through their educational center. Every year we send around 1-2 teams to do direct relational outreach to the women in the bars, giving them value and offering hope they so desperately need. In depth training will be provided and no special skills needed to participate. Come join our next team!

Next Team: Feb. 8-21, 2020, Maybe July

Disability Centers

NORTH AFRICA, Ongoing 2020

Overlake, in partnership with one of our missionaries, have been instrumental in launching over 30 centers who serve children with disabilities in an area of North Africa, with another opening this year. One of our largest needs these centers have, is training for their staff and therapists. Therefore, we are seeking to build a pool of Christian Physical and Occupational Therapists in the area who would desire to use their vocation to bless the work in this region. Our goal is to send at least 2 teams a year of PT/OTs with the specific goal of training. Please contact us if you are interested in being involved in this project. Also please spread the word to PT/OT friends!

Team Overlake

SEATTLE 1/2 MARATHON, Jan-June 2020

Have you have ever wanted to do something about global poverty, but not quite sure where to start? We invite you to join a group from Overlake who will run/walk the Seattle half Marathon alongside Team World Vision <u>teamworldvision.org</u> to help provide life-changing clean water to children and communities around the world. Whether you are a regular runner or have never ran before, this is for you. Starting in January, you will be provided with weekly group training sessions, a training plan, email encouragements, and fundraising guides. In Africa, there is a saying: "If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together." Join us! Let's go farther together!

Peace & Reconciliation Trip

USA/MEXICO BORDER - Feb/March 2020

Does your heart ache for the thousands of people who are lining up at the US/Mexican border seeking refuge from violence, persecution, and gangs back in their home countries? As part of Overlake's mission to pursue peace and reconciliation, we feel prompted as a church to respond. It is our desire to be able to send a team to help local churches and organizations ministering to these asylum seeking families and at the same time, gain a greater understanding as to our role in being promoters of peace not only at the border, but in our own communities.

Spring Break Family Trip PUERTO RICO - April 3-12, 2020

This trip is specifically designed for families who desire to have an opportunity to serve on mission together as an entire family or with a son, daughter, or grandchild! What better way to spend your Spring Break than building new relationships, serving others, learning a new culture and sharing the love of Jesus, all in one beautiful location. This team will seek to bless the community of Guayama, who is still rebuilding from Hurricane Maria, through practical acts of service such as painting, building repairs, clean up, children's ministry, etc. This will be an incredible learning opportunity for your kids and a memory you will forever share together as a family!

Peace & Reconciliation Trip

MIDDLE EAST: April or May, 2020

This team will link up with our partners overseas to provide physical, emotional, and spiritual support to refugees. Opportunities will include spending time in refugee camps and serving at our refugee educational centers. There is a special need for English teachers, registered nurses who can train, theological trainers, and counselors for children. Your heart will be forever changed by incredible people you will meet, the stories you will hear, and the tenacity of the people.

Pastor's Training

ETHIOPIA - May 2020

Do you love teaching the word of God? We're looking for 1 or 2 people to join this team to provide training for pastors and leaders in Ethiopia! Each training is 1-week long. There will be a total of 3 trainings in 3 locations. Choose a week or join all three!

Family Mission Trip

LOCAL (stateside) - Coming Summer 2020

LOCAL SERVE TEAMS

SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Delivery is OCC's ministry to at-risk moms transitioning out of homelessness. Volunteers are needed to mentor, provide childcare, process donations and help with meals. For more information, contact Misty at info@specialdelivery.org or visit specialdelivery.org.

SAFE PARKING

OCC'S Safe Parking ministry provides a temporary and safe place for up to 15 homeless men and couples to live in their vehicles in our back parking lot. We always need help with lunch that is provided every Saturday as well becoming a companion to one of our residents. Email Tom Boerman at tomb@occ.org for more information or visit occ.org/safeparking.

BRIDGE RECEIVING CENTER

OCC recently launched The Bridge Receiving Center <u>bridgereceivingcenter.org</u>, a safe place for children entering foster care to land to receive services while a permanent placement can be found. Volunteer help will become an integral part of this ministry and a huge blessing to the kids. Contact <u>Tracyr@bridgereceivingcenter.org</u> if you'd like to help out!

REFRESH CONFERENCE The Refresh Conference is put on every year by Overlake to provide training, equipping, and refreshment to foster and adoptive parents. We always need a ton of volunteers for this event! The dates are March 6-7, 2020. For more information visit therefreshconference.org and If you'd like to help out, email Dawn at dawnm@occ.org.

EASTSIDE ACADEMY

Eastside Academy is a school for at-risk youth in the local area and is one of Overlake's local partnerships. They are always seeking individuals who have a heart to mentor students as a mentor relationships have such a tremendous impact on the lives of these students. For more information, contact Aaron Tally at aarona@occ.org or visit eastsideacademy.org.

HIV CARE TEAM

Join our team that cares for people with HIV in our community. These are folks who often have little or no family/friend support and would appreciate anyone to help with misc tasks as well as just to be a friend. Contact Cary at caryichan@gmail.com for more information!

PRISION MINISTRY

Do you have a heart for those who are incarcerated and want them to experience the love of Jesus? We need folks interested in becoming a Pen Pal for inmates as well as graders for Bible studies. Contact Danny at danny.carrao@outlook.com if interested!

FOOD BANK

OCC is partnered with the Woodinville Storehouse, a local food bank which services low income families in our area. Food donations are collected every 2nd Sunday of the month at the Serve the World desk. Questions? Contact Debbie at d sasaki@yahoo.com.

FOSTER PARENTING

OCC is passionate about caring for vulnerable children with those in foster care being some of the most at-risk. If you are interested in providing a safe, loving space for one of these children while they wait for permanence, please contact Dan Hamer at danh@occ.org.

GENESIS PROJECT

Do you have a heart for women who have been trafficked into the sex industry here in the US? The Genesis Project has opportunities for you to be involved! Find more information at genesisnow.org or e-mail volunteers@gpseattle.net.