What is a faith-supported or donor-supported missionary?

Faith-supported missionaries are required to continually help raise funds to help their ministry meet its payroll budget needs. These needs are communicated to individuals and churches so that others can embrace their vision and support the missionary prayerfully and financially. Our full-time staff missionaries are not supplemented by the ministry; they are 100% dependent on donors



like you. Each missionary receives a check from the ministry once a month based on the donations designated for them during the previous month. Your gifts are tax-deductible.

God blesses this biblical model of partnership in several ways. As we see in the life of the Apostle Paul, faith-supported missionaries depend on God and His people to provide the necessary finances for their daily needs and to fulfill the call to the ministry God has placed on their lives. Additionally, the missionary receives more effective prayer and a network of ministry partners. Members of a missionary's support team gain God's blessings for being faithful and engaging more fully in a life-changing ministry.

How to Support Our Staff:

Pray for their needs: Pray that the Ponderosa staff will: Impact the lives of students with the Gospel. Faithfully follow and help disciple these students throughout the year. Stay encouraged, biblically rooted, and focused on what God has called them to do. Raise their portion of the ministry's budget each year to dedicate their time to the ministry.

All the full-time staff members of Ponderosa Student Ministries/Ponderosa Bible Camp are faith-supported (donor-supported) missionaries.

Send Financial Gifts:

As you give, ponder these biblical guidelines:

- 1. Give first...not from what's left. Honor the LORD from 6. your wealth and from the first of all your produce; So your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine.3:9-10
- 2. Give joyfully...not grudgingly. "Each one must do just ^{10.} as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver". 2 Corinthians 9:7
- 3. Give faithfully...hot haphazardly.4:14-20 Automated electronic giving is an effective way to help prevent 13. Furlough/Vacation opportunities fluctuations in the missionary's income. www.ponderosabiblecamp.com - Click on the "Support a Staff Missionary" tab and then follow the prompts to create your donor account
- 4. Give sacrificially...not selfishly. Luke 21:1-4 When giving to those who cannot repay us, we give to King Jesus himself.

Give Practical Gifts:

- 5. New or gently used clothing and shoes
- Groceries or grocery store gift certificates
- Birthday and/or Christmas gifts
- Gasoline gift cards
- Postage to help with the cost of newsletters
- Donate your used (but running) automobile to PSM and designate it for the missionary family of your choice instead of using it as a trade-in.
- 11. Gently used appliances or furniture
- 12. Free babysitting
- 14. Home repair services
- 15. Free services from your business that might meet a need for the missionary.