



## Worship Equippers Missions Update

*For the Friends of Dean & Glorianne Schultz / December 2024*



*Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,*

Warmest greetings as we journey through this holy Advent and Christmas season. Glorianne and I wanted to take a few moments to connect with you to share some of the incredible ways that our Good Shepherd has demonstrated his faithfulness in our lives over this past year and let you know how you can partner with us in the work of the Gospel in the New Year!

After managing a recurring A-Fib condition, our year began with Glorianne undergoing a successful heart ablation procedure. Shortly after, she was diagnosed with breast cancer. By God's grace, the tumor was eradicated through surgery and a brief course of radiation treatment—she is now cancer-free!

I also "hobbled" toward better health with a knee replacement this summer and another planned for January. We praise our Good Shepherd for His healing in our lives, enabling us to run the race set before us!

This year, we have been blessed with God-ordained opportunities to equip fellow believers in-person and online for worship renewal, evangelism, and discipleship at worship services, retreats, seminars, and conferences. During these ministry times, we have emphasized that restoring the liturgical integrity of Christian worship needs to be a top priority for this new generation given the growing trends of seeker-sensitive, consumer-driven, and entertainment-oriented "worship services" that do not follow biblical patterns for how we are to worship the Triune God.

A verse that has deeply resonated with us this year is Jeremiah 6:16 (ESV): *"Stand by the roads, and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way is; and walk in it, and find rest for your souls. But they said, 'We will not walk in it.'"*

In this verse, God calls Judah through the prophet Jeremiah to return to "the ancient paths," a metaphor for the faithful ways of their ancestors rooted in obedience to His covenant. Judah, however, like our generation, was steeped in idolatry, political unrest, and spiritual rebellion, rejecting God's offer of rest and restoration. This refusal (*But they said, "We will not walk in it"*) led to the fall of Jerusalem and exile. This verse serves as a sobering reminder to evaluate whether we are worshipping according to the ancient pattern of God's timeless truths or conforming to patterns that have a *"form of godliness but deny the power thereof"* (2 Timothy 3:5).

When the Church embraces the ancient paths of Christian worship, it becomes a prophetic witness to a fragmented and distracted society, offering clarity, hope, and stability amid cultural chaos. This biblical expression of worship transforms lives by leading believers into genuine repentance, renewal, and mission. Transformed by worship, we engage the world with the Gospel, living as witnesses to Christ's kingdom in our homes, workplaces, and communities, preparing the way for spiritual awakening and societal transformation by the Gospel.

**As we prepare for 2025, we would ask for your prayer support in the following areas:**

- For Glorianne's continued good health and that my second knee replacement surgery, scheduled for January 23, will go well so that we can resume our regular schedule.
- For God's guidance as retreats, seminars, and other ministry activities for 2025-26 are planned to be intergenerational so that young people can enjoy and learn from the company of adults.

- For the provision of multimedia equipment and web designer to build an online *Worship Equippers Resource Center* that features multimedia-assisted teaching to equip the body of Christ for worship renewal, evangelism, and discipleship.
- For God's direction in contributing worship resources for outreaches and church planters whose resources are limited. This year's projects included providing pocket crosses that a chaplain took to soldiers serving on the front lines in Ukraine to encourage them in the spiritual lives and musical instruments for children with albinism who attend the Shade School in Tanzania, Africa, who face violence and discrimination, including brutal attacks and killings driven by dangerous witchcraft beliefs that use their body parts in rituals for supposed luck and wealth.
- For the lives of believers and spiritual seekers to be transformed during our 2025 Faith Pilgrimage to Ireland, Scotland, and England, October 21-Nov 1, 2025, to walk in the footsteps of the Celtic saints.
- For new converts and the equipping of the saints as we co-labor with church planters to plant churches.
- For effectiveness in equipping churches with cross-cultural worship resources to minister to people groups coming to America from Muslim, Hindu, and Buddhist faith traditions.

### How You Can Partner with Us

Since our founding in 1996, Worship Equippers has been sustained by the faithful generosity of God's people. As we look ahead to 2025, we are prayerfully seeking **Year-End Gifts** and **Monthly Contributions** to support our ongoing mission. Your partnership through year-end giving or by including our ministry in your missions giving for the New Year will make a meaningful impact on the lives we serve.

You can give a year-end gift or set up a monthly gift by visiting [WorshipEquippers.org](http://WorshipEquippers.org) and clicking "Donate" or by mailing your gift along with the gift-form included below to

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With heartfelt thanks for your past and continued partnership in the Gospel, Glorianne and I pray that this Advent and Christmas season will be filled with Christ's joy and peace for you and your family.

Agape in Christ,

*Dean+*

**PS.** All gifts processed online or postmarked by December 31 are tax-deductible and will be receipted for 2024.



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## WORSHIP EQUIPPERS

### Missions Partner Gift Form

☐ YES, Dean & Glorianne, **I/We** would like to join your Missions Partner Team!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Text: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Please stay connected through your ministry communications.

I/We would like to invest the following **Special Year-End Gift** in your ministry:

☐ \$25 ☐ \$50 ☐ \$100 ☐ \$250 ☐ \$500 ☐ \$1000 ☐ \$2500 ☐ \$5000 Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I/We would like to invest the following **Monthly Gift** in your ministry:

☐ \$25 ☐ \$50 ☐ \$100 ☐ \$150 ☐ \$200 ☐ \$250 ☐ \$500 ☐ \$1000 Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to Worship Equippers or you can donate online at [worshipequippers.org](http://worshipequippers.org). All gifts are tax-deductible and will be acknowledged with a receipt.



Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Card \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV \_\_\_\_\_ (Your monthly gift can be set up online at donate)

Prayer Requests / Comments

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP IN MINISTRY!**

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