



*A Global
Mutual Fund
For Missions*



First Fruits was founded in 1997 as a mission outreach of Eye Care for Tulsa.

Now a 501c3 not for profit foundation we seek to:

Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of your crops.

Proverbs 3:9

First Fruits is. . .

A Down's Syndrome mother awaking with hope in Russia knowing she has a place to take her daughter during the day where she will be encouraged and loved. Very few Down's babies survive there. Parents are encouraged to leave them at the hospital where they are starved to death. Those taken home are outcasts of society. Because of the faithfulness of Frank Baxter, sponsored by First Fruits for three years, a "Little Light House" exists in Russia. God's vision, God's man.



After three years of service in far western China with the U-people, Tina and Ray Anderson, along with their four children, saw zero converts. After coming home for a year and both having Lasik through Eye Care for Tulsa, they are once again in China and they are "seeing" far different results. God is faithful.

This family faces each day knowing they are in the will of their Heavenly father. **Funding for a radio ministry to the U-people** has been provided by First Fruits for the past year.

It's very hot and humid. Your fifteen year old daughter is sick in the hospital in Teshie Numbah near Accra, Ghana, West Africa. At two in the afternoon the power goes off and there is no ventilation to her room. Accustomed to brown-outs, you resolutely begin to fan her face with a newspaper, the power comes back on. They now have **a generator to supply emergency power** in this second world country. First Fruits made it possible.



Larry and Ruthann Wells: International Parents and Mentors

“God brings people together to accomplish His will,” says Ruthann Wells. She and husband, Larry, have served First Fruits board for five years.

Twenty-five years ago, with relocation of thousands of Vietnamese immigrants to the U.S., they saw an opportunity to reach out as God’s hands to those in need. Most had fled their homeland in boats, risking everything for freedom.

Coming from the refugee camps set up in Southeast Asia, after months of simply surviving and hoping, you can imagine their excitement and fears as they reached Tulsa, their new home.

Bill was a thirteen year old who came with his uncle, two brothers and five cousins. Little did the Wells know that five years later Bill would become part of their family.

He was saved and graduated from college while living with the Wells. Bill says, “It wasn’t preaching as a boy that opened my eyes to Jesus. It was the life lived by the Wells family.”



Bill married Kim and they began a family, founded on Christ. Ruthann says, “Be obedient and give what you feel God desires and see it multiplied.”



A door had opened for an exciting First Fruits Ministry into South Vietnam.

Kim’s mother recently died of cancer. For the first time since leaving Vietnam, Kim made a trip back for the funeral. Because they were now Christians, they had removed the altar for ancestor worship from the home. As mourners came to visit, they were shocked by its absence. At the funeral they were requested not to display the loud mourning and wailing, common to funerals where there is no hope. Kim’s mom was now in heaven and the family would see her again. What a testimony of light in a dark world.

Three hundred people of the thousand in the village attended as the family sang praise songs and gave testimony of the change in her mother’s life in Christ.

It is the small church in My-An village that First Fruits is teamed up with for the future. Attendance has grown so that only adults can be seated for services. Children remain outside.

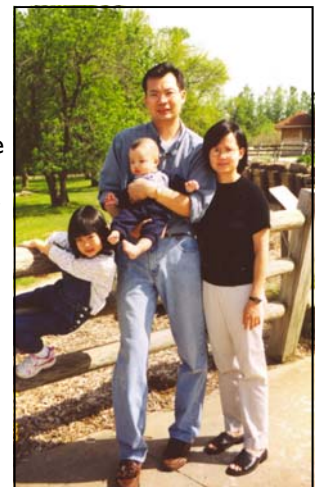
With a government hold on an expansion project, Bill and Kim requested we fund a Bible School in the community to show support. They requested only \$350.

An encouraging report emphasized it is not how much you give but how God uses what you give that makes such an impact on our world. Over 160 children and 150 adults participated in the week’s event with several decisions for Christ.

The church building will cost \$50,000. The government doesn’t want this to take place, so they place some very interesting restrictions on the project. The church cannot make their own blueprints but must pay the government \$2,000 for them. They cannot use money from any members to build the church. **That’s where we come in.** We can provide what the government believes will be the stumbling block for the church.

“...woe to that man through whom the stumbling block comes.” Matt. 18:7

If you would like to be a part of helping this struggling group of Christ’s body expand their church, please make donations to First Fruits Ministry. We will see that 100% of your donation goes to this project.



“God gave me an extended family halfway around the world.”

“What does the Lord have in mind for you?”

Ruthann Wells

