

Praying Friends of the Bridegroom

Praying God's will for the world

Vision, Mission, and Values

Vision: Facilitate Spirit-led prayer for accomplishing God's will worldwide

Mission: Prayer as the basis for equipping, encouraging, and evangelizing

Values: To pray, wait in the Lord, hear, understand and obey God's word, be filled with joy hearing our Bridegroom's voice, and to give God the glory for all He has done!

Calling and History

Biographical sketch of Founder

Margaret J. Arant, intercessor, mom, wife of Dr. Billy S. Arant, and former special education teacher. She has 2 grown children— Meghan (married to Jason) and Peter (married to Alicia) and 5 grandchildren.

History of PFOTBG

- **1999** Vision for PFOTBG given to founder, Margaret J. Arant on a mission trip to Papua New Guinea
- **2000** The first Bible study/prayer group began in Chattanooga.
- **2001-2002** The State of Tennessee issued PFOTBG a charter as a non-profit organization, the board of directors and advisors were established, first of many humanitarian aid projects began.
- 2003 First translations of prayer material into other languages.
- 2004 Child sponsorships and a worldwide prayer email network began.
- 2005 Humanitarian work extended to include medical assistance.
- 2006 PFOTBG acquired from the IRS the status of 501 (c) (3).
- 2009 Selected for Ministry Ventures' Ministry Mastery Program.
- **2010-2017 Continued work on** Web site and social networking sites (Twitter, Blog and Face Book) and networking locally and globally with those who have God's heart to serve and pray.

Ministry and Model

Three-fold ministry emphasis:

- Individual: Visitation and prayer for those in need
- Local: Weekly Bible studies/prayer times that focus on the Word of God, prayer and worship, prayer walks, training, dinners, retreats and conferences
- **Global Communities**: Partner with missionaries and other organizations to evangelize, disciple and meet humanitarian needs. Ministry trips around the world. Prayer walks, training, dinners, retreats, VBS, outreaches and conferences.

Growth and Marketing Strategy

Expansion goals with the great presence of the Lord in all people and facets of the ministry

- Increase
 - \circ $\;$ The number of child sponsorships in 7 or more countries
 - Volunteer involvement and intercessors worldwide
 - Paid staff as ministry expands
 - PFOTBG teams going worldwide to teach on prayer and minister
 - Support for laborers increased
 - o Camps for evangelism and prayer around the world
- Assist PFOTBG's partners with practical strategies for incorporating prayer into their ministries
- Provide support for all PFOTBG missionaries and their children until they can be self-supporting
- Produce more PFOTBG prayer materials
- Establish a ministry presence in the Middle East and at the ends of the earth

- Identify groups willing to sponsor a ministry project in other cities and countries
- Yearly training for PFOTBG volunteers and ministry groups
- Promote PFOTBG vision and ministry opportunities
- Expand the provision of teaching materials on prayer and Bibles for children and ministry partners

Prayer Strategy

- The prayer team is comprised of 8 individuals who meet as often as possible to pray for various requests.
- The prayer team keeps in contact with the board, advisors, volunteers, staff and donors to receive and intercede for their prayer requests. They pray God's direction and plans for PFOTBG to come forth.
- The prayer team prays for requests about future ministry trips, team members, and provision. When a ministry team returns they pray for people (1) to hear what God has done and give Him the glory, (2) receive the prayer burdens from the ministry trip, and (3) understand God's direction to PFOTBG regarding a certain area of the world.
- The Prayer Team prays for local gatherings where prayer principles are taught. They intercede for prayer retreats to inspire and encourage intercessors to grow in their prayer life.

Board of Directors, Advisory Boards, and Human Resources

Board of Directors	Professional Advisors to the Board	Global Advisory Board	
Margaret A: President & Founder Elena M: Secretary: Retired Cardiac Nurse Marie H: Treasurer Ben M: financial Jeanie N.: Administrative Liaison Melinda S: Children/youth advisor	Billy A.: Medical Advisor Mike J.: Legal Advisor WJR: Financial Advisor Dayron & Kelley D IT Staff	Steve & Pam A. Clay C. Pam D. Margaret E. Jodie E. Tanea G. Jon & Sylvia G. Jeanie H. Don H. Gregory H.	Steve M. Tana M. Kathy M. Cristy M. Cecile S. Nina S. Sharon T. Peggy Z. Rich G.
	Margaret A. Hallie B. Marie H. Leanne R.		

Fundraising Strategy for 2016-2107

- The board of directors is committed to going and sharing as God leads.
- The board desires for PFOTBG to be God-directed rather than man-directed.
- Jehovah-Jireh, God Our Provider, has His plans for the provision of this ministry.
- As the Spirit of God leads, those whom God calls will hear His voice and respond to the need.

Results to Date

- Over \$1 million has been raised
- Partner with approximately 100 individuals, organizations and churches
- Financially sponsor and pray for 12 ministry partners, 5 orphanages, 8 camps ministries, and many children
- Participate in global mission trips and had a presence in 15 countries

Current Needs

- \$175,000 for a matching grant to buy a facility for a year round school to train orphans in Eurasia
- \$24,000 for ministry oversight and teaching in various countries
- \$7,000 each for unfunded camps, additional missionary support, Bibles and teaching materials
- \$4200 for 100 more children to be supported for 1 year
- \$ 500 a month or \$6000 a year for an office or house for PFOTBG

Glory to God! Glory to God!