



ANNUAL REPORT 2023

FOR EVERY
BELIEVING COMMUNITY,
CHRISTLIKE LEADERS;
FOR EVERY LEADER,
CHRISTLIKE MENTORS



CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD



Dear Partners in Ministry,

Thank you for your prayers and support for MentorLink during 2023. This report is a testimony of God's continued working around the world through the MentorLink movement to address the widespread need to develop leaders who live and lead like Jesus.

Whether through our online resources or in face-to-face training and mentoring, we are seeing pastors and leaders embracing the values and practices of Christlike leadership that honor God and build up others to serve Him in the Kingdom.

May the Lord encourage you as you get just a snapshot of what the Lord has done this last year, and may He fill you with expectation in 2024.

All for Jesus Until He Comes!



Steve

US Director and Chairman of the Board

WHAT WE DO

- We train leaders to lead and be like Jesus
- We train leaders to multiply themselves
- We provide practical tools that help people walk with Jesus
- We work through self-supporting, indigenous partners
- We provide tools at no-cost to the multiplying leaders in repressive nations and among illiterate peoples

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

In February 2023, our founder, Stacy Rinehart, transitioned from Chairman of the Board of MentorLink, to becoming our first “International Ambassador.” We rejoice that in this transition of leadership, the Lord has continued to bless the movement around the world.

One of the strategic highlights of the year was the Global Proclamation Congress in Panama that brought together 577 trainers of pastors from 73 countries, including 20 members of the MentorLink family. For the first time on a global stage, informal mentoring was recognized as a key to pastoral development, on equal standing with formal education and non-formal training.

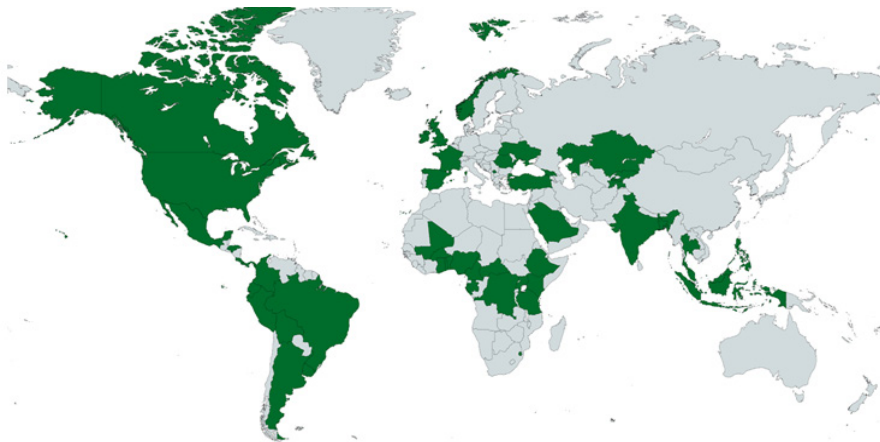
Out of the congress, not only are we following up with potential new partners from countries like Cuba and Paraguay, but new mentoring initiatives emerged. Timothy Olonade from Nigeria is coordinating the new “Africa Mentoring Initiative” that seeks to propel a network of Christlike mentors in Africa who are committed to seeing a biblical mentoring movement spread throughout the continent.

In addition to his initiative, younger leaders at the Panama conference expressed the desire to see the mentoring vision cast among their peers. Germán Ricca has begun to meet with these leaders as they seek the Lord for His direction in catalyzing a mentoring movement among the younger generations. We wait upon the Lord for what He will do in 2024.

OUR VISION

*FOR EVERY BELIEVING COMMUNITY, CHRISTLIKE LEADERS;
FOR EVERY LEADER, CHRISTLIKE MENTORS*

Local Partners Provided LIVE Training Events in 52 countries in 2023



2023 MentorLink Network Nations

AFRICA (16)

Benin
Burkina Faso
Cameroon
Central African Republic
Democratic Republic of
Congo
Eswatini (Swaziland)
Ethiopia
Gabon
Ghana
Kenya
Nigeria
Rwanda
Senegal
Tanzania
Togo
Uganda

ASIA (6)

Bangladesh
India
Indonesia

Malaysia
Philippines
Thailand

CENTRAL ASIA (5)

Georgia
Kazakhstan
Kyrgyzstan
Tajikistan
Turkey

EUROPE (9)

England
France
Ireland
Kosovo
Norway
Romania
Scotland
Spain
Ukraine

LATIN AMERICA (12)

Argentina

Bolivia
Brazil
Colombia
Costa Rica
Ecuador
El Salvador
Honduras
Mexico
Panama
Peru
Uruguay

MIDDLE EAST / NORTH AFRICA (4)

Egypt
Mali
Saudi Arabia
Syrian Refugees

NORTH AMERICA (2)

Canada
USA

VIDEO DISCIPLESHIP SERIES



Leader's Covenant Video Series

- **4,544** discipleship encounters
- **443** YouVersion subscribers
- **40** enrollees in the online courses



Life of Jesus Series

- **193,377** discipleship encounters
- **184,048** subscribers on YouVersion
- **2,540** enrollees in the online courses



Book of Acts

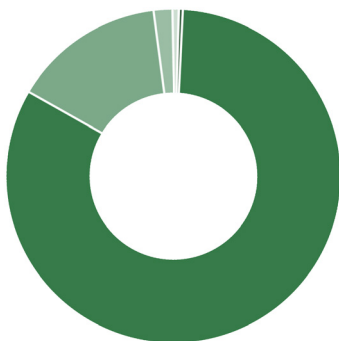
- **25,125** total discipleship encounters
- **23,165** subscribers on YouVersion
- **83** enrollees in the online courses

DISCIPLESHIP ENCOUNTERS

- Days with Jesus - 1,110,496
- Life of Jesus - 193,377
- Book of Acts - 25,125
- Leader's Covenant - 4,544
- Mentoring Process - 1,544

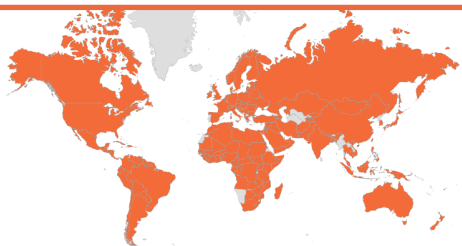
Total Encounters:

1,335,086





Days with Jesus



- Our **video-based discipling and leader development tool** was developed in partnership with the Jesus Film
- Days with Jesus has had a direct impact on people in over **168 COUNTRIES**

Days with Jesus has been translated into **45 LANGUAGES**—Why is this important?

- We can disciple and develop leaders in the remotest parts of the world
- Two-thirds of the world is illiterate.
- Younger generations are video-based, visual learners.

Acholi (Uganda)

Albanian (Kosovo)

Amharic (Ethiopia)

Arabic Darija (Morocco)

Arabi Egyptian (Global)

Arabic Syrian (Syria)

Arabic Tunisian (Tunisia)

Bengali (Bangladesh)

Bari (South Sudan)

Berber (Morocco)

Bimoba (Ghana)

Chichewa (Malawi)

Chinese (Global)

Dari (Afghanistan)

Deg (Ghana)

English (Global)

Ewe (Ghana)

Farsi (Iran)

Fong Be (Ghana, Benin)

French (Global) French
(West Africa)

Fulani (West Africa)

Hausa (Nigeria)

Igbo (Nigeria)

Indonesian (Indonesia)

Italian (Italy)

Jula (Mali)

Kabyle (Algeria)

Komba-Likoonl (Ghana)

Kusaal (Ghana)

Lingala (DRC)

Mongolian (Mongolia)

Norwegian (Norway)

Pashto (Afghanistan)

Runyoro (Uganda)

Russian (Russia)

Sisaala (Ghana)

Somali (Somalia)

Spanish (Global)

Swahili (Tanzania)

Tagalog (Philippines)

Tamil (India)

Tigrinya (Ethiopia)

Urdu (Pakistan)

Wolof (Senegal)

**The Jesus Film itself
has been translated
into 2,106 languages*

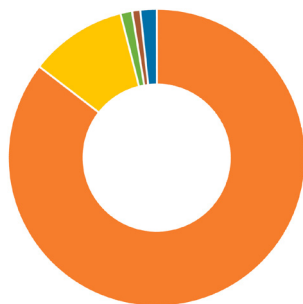
DISCIPLESHIP ENCOUNTERS

1,110,496

Discipleship
Encounters
in 2023

53,432,349

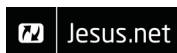
worldwide
since 2011



- Website
- Bible App
- Live Training
- eCourses
- Jesus Film Project

PARTNERS AND DELIVERY METHODS

- **Online:** YouTube, Vimeo, Jesusfilm.org, MentorLink.org, Bible.com, Omgud.net (Norwegian)
- **Free Mobile Apps:** Jesus Film, NAMO (Urdu), YouVersion
- **Media:** USB Drives, DVDs, and microSD cards for mobile phones
- **Email:** sign up at www.Mentorlink.org
- **E-courses:** 14 courses available in English

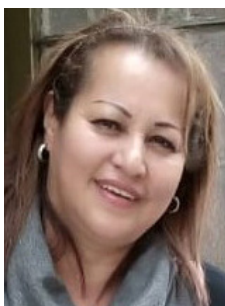


MENTORLINK GLOBAL LEADERS



Arve Kråkenes, Norway

Arve is Norwegian, but his mentoring of leaders extends far beyond the Scandinavian region. He is “doing mission by mentoring.” God led Arve to focus on Russian-speaking Muslims in 6 countries in Central Asia and he continues to speak into leaders’ lives through visits and the internet. In Turkey, he has served several church leaders who are MBBs (believers who have come out of the predominant religion). The Lord has also opened doors for Arve in Bangladesh where he mentors a team of 10 MBBs who lead several small home fellowships, and who saw 140 people baptized during 2023.



Vicky Estrella, Colombia

In 2023, Vicky held MentorLink training events in regions of Colombia where there is much insecurity due to social and political unrest. At one point, she had to postpone a scheduled trip due to armed conflict in that zone. Undeterred, she has trained some 800 pastors and leaders from 25 churches in rural areas that are often isolated, without access to training materials and opportunities. The pastors and leaders continue faithfully in the proclamation of the gospel and in making disciples, grateful for Vicky’s ministry and the equipping in Christlike leadership principles that they have received.



Bosco Ruhinda, Rwanda

Bosco is a Christian businessman with a heart to empower leaders to mentor the next generation. He has focused on mentoring marketplace mentors and is now using the same approach with university students using MentorLink Institute modules. Former students are now leading 120 peer mentor groups. Today, Bosco and his team have equipped over 1,000 leaders in Rwanda, and the mentoring groups have multiplied in seven African countries. His vision is to rebuild, restore and equip leaders from different spheres of influence to advance the fulfillment of the Great Commission.

DOWNLOADABLE RESOURCES



Days with Jesus

Video-based discipling tools using the Jesus Film



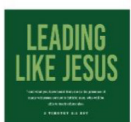
False Leaders Project

Identify and deal with false leaders through scripture



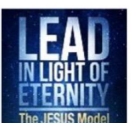
Leader's Covenant

Ten spiritual leadership statements and supporting scriptures



Leading Like Jesus

Peer mentoring tool for pastors and ministry leaders combining three effective discipling tools



Lead in Light of Eternity

Leading like Jesus and the Jesus model explained by Dr. Stacy Rinehart, founder



Mentoring Process

A single-page graphic to describe and simplify the mentoring process.



MentorLink Institute

Learn through mentor groups



Passing it On! Training

Strategies for personal transformation and ministry multiplication

OUR APPROACH TO ORGANIZATION

Though MentorLink is quite small in American terms as measured by budget, employees, office, and organization, we are quite large as measured by network, partners, influence, leaders trained, and nations involved.



New Pastors can absorb leadership methods and values predominate in the immediate culture. MentorLink seeks to scrape off these secular barnacles and point Pastors back to the leadership style, attitude, and heart of Jesus.

—Mark Wohlschlaeger, Board Member



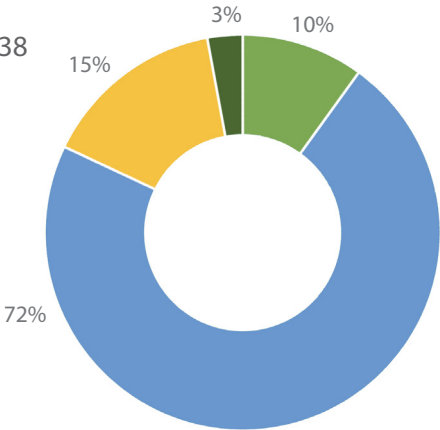
“MentorLink has helped me to grow as a Christian leader and equipped me with resources to serve others better.”

—Ada Babadije, Partner from Nigeria

2023 USE OF INCOME

- Training & Mentoring - \$114,738
- Administration - \$23,904
- Days with Jesus - \$15,936
- Fundraising - \$4,780

Total Expenses:
\$159,358



FUNDING NEEDS

‘Get There’ Fund

We partner with respected individuals, pastors, church, or ministry leaders who are working and living overseas to provide training using MentorLink resources such as Days with Jesus, or Passing it On! we can go anywhere in the world where God is working to bring people to Christ. It costs MentorLink very little to pay for travel and events in parts of the world where these costs would be unattainable for pastors and church leaders.



“MentorLink Institute: MentorLink peer-mentoring groups promote authentic relationships and life transformation where members serve each other in mutual prayer, nurture, and accountability with a focus on living and leading like Jesus.”

—Kent Hoffman, Mentorlink Institute Coordinator

Make an Eternal Investment

- **Ways to give:** Check, credit card, stocks, or property
- **Give Online:** www.MentorLink.org
- **Contact Us:**

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