LONG-TERM MISSIONS
SUGGESTED READING LIST

missions overview and calling

1. **Perspectives on the World Christian Movement** by Steven C. Hawthorne
   This workbook introduces four different vantage points of the work God has been doing throughout history: biblical, historical, cultural and strategic. It helps people to align their lives with God’s global purposes.

2. **Send Me! Your Journey to the Nations** by Steve Hoke and Bill Taylor
   Send Me! is a preparatory global mission workbook designed for those who desire to serve God cross-culturally and for those who want to help them. It can assist you working through the process of charting a course from where you are presently to where God would have you to be.

3. **Serving as Senders** by Neal Pirolo
   It is not just the missionaries that are involved in missions. You can serve as a sender, a role that is equally important and this book helps the senders to better understand their role and how to be more effective.

cross cultural skills for evangelism and discipleshp

1. **Foreign to Familiar: A Guide to Understanding Hot and Cold Climate Cultures** by Sarah A. Lanier
   This book will help you to understand people in other cultures. The author breaks down the world’s cultures into two basic categories: hot climate and cold climate. Then discusses the cultural differences in these two groups including the ways they communicate.

2. **Eternity in Their Hearts: Startling Evidence of Belief in the One True God in Hundreds of Cultures Throughout the World** by Don Richardson
   This book shows how God uses redemptive analogies to bring all men to Himself, bearing out the truth from Ecclesiastes that God “has also set eternity in the hearts of men.”

   The authors demonstrate that Jesus needed to learn and understand the culture in which he lived before he could undertake his public ministry. The authors examine how this can help us better understand what it means to establish relationships of grace with those from different cultural and social backgrounds.

4. **Peoples on the Move: Introducing the Nomads of the World** by David J. Phillips
   There are nomadic people that live all around the world, many of them dependent on their livestock for survival. This book is a source of information about these people groups.

   A social system relates individual to group and sets up bias against the gospel. Anthropologist Lingenfelter helps cross-cultural ministers understand and transform culture, instead of Westernizing it.

6. **Language Acquisition Made Practical** by E. Thomas Brewster and Elizabeth S. Brewster
   Everything you need to know about how to learn a language is complete in this simple, easy-to-follow language learning guide to the LAMP method.

7. **Ishmael My Brother: A Christian Introduction to Islam** by Anne Cooper and Elsie A. Maxwell
   A comprehensive presentation of the key facts, figures, and dynamics of this religion so frequently in the headlines and so often misrepresented—complete with exercises, diagrams, bibliography and useful Web sites.
8. **Sharing Christ in the Tibetan Buddhist World** by M. Tsering
A practical guide to sharing Christ with anyone whose religion is Tibetan Buddhism or Inner Asian shamanism, from Americans in Eastern dharma to those in Central and South Asia or with Tibetan refugees and immigrants.

9. **Intervarsity’s International Student Ministry Website**
This site has several articles on presenting the Gospel to peoples of other faiths (ie Hindu, Islam, Sikh, etc.)
http://www.intervarsity.org/ism/articles.php

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**animal healthcare and training books**

1. **Animal Healthcare Training: Nepal’s Animal Health Improvement Training Programme**
by John Young, Karen Stoufer, Narayan Ojha and Henk Peter Dijkema
This is a case study describing the United Mission to Nepal’s Animal Health Improvement Project that highlights the problems and lessons for anyone thinking of undertaking similar projects. This program was developed by several CVM field staff in partnership with others.

2. **Community-Based Animal Healthcare** by Andy Catley, Stephen Blakeway and Tim Leyland
This is a “how to do it” guide for establishing basic veterinary services in rural areas. It focuses on community-based approaches and draws from many different programs that has been implemented over the last twenty years.

3. **Where There Is No Animal Doctor** by Peter Quesenberry and Maureen Birmingham
An amazing 410 page manual covering all aspects of animal functions, of all major domestic animals. Contains an incredible amount of information yet written in a simple, easy to understand style. Available in English, Spanish and other languages on the cvm website; www.cvmusa.org

4. **Learning Together: The Agricultural Worker’s Participatory Sourcebook** by Susan Stewart
This book is both a practical and essential manual for agricultural and livestock trainers. Included in the 342 pages are tips, techniques, and ideas from agricultural trainers from more than 25 countries on five different continents! Over 200 dynamics, games, tools and ideas are described for use in training events. Available from cvm at www.cvmusa.org

5. **Learning to Listen, Learning to Teach: The Power of Dialogue in Educating Adults** by Jane Vella
Vella uses engaging, personal stories of her work in a variety of adult learning settings, in different countries and with different educational purposes, to show readers how to utilize the twelve principles in their own practice with any type of adult learner.

This book is a sequel to Vella’s first book Learning to listen, Learning to teach. (See above.)

7. **Teaching Cross-Culturally: An Incarnational Model for Learning and Teaching** by Judith E Lingenfelter and Sherwood G. Lingenfelter
This book challenges what it means to be a Christian educator in a culture other than your own. Chapters include discussions about how to uncover cultural biases, how to address intelligence and learning styles, and teaching for biblical transformation.

8. **Helping Health Workers Learn** by David Werner and Bill Bower
A book of methods, aids, and ideas for instructors at the village level. It is written in clear, basic English, with drawings and photographs to emphasize the key points.

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**spiritual warfare books**

1. **Behind Enemy Lines, an Advanced Guide to Spiritual Warfare**
by Charles H. Kraft, Tom White, and Ed Murphy
A resource that will enable Christians to enter and endure the battle, and to emerge victoriously. It is an aggressive, thorough, yet balanced approach to spiritual warfare.
2. **Breaking Strongholds: How Spiritual Warfare Sets Captives Free** by Tom White
   Tom White opens your eyes to a world of spiritual strongholds and demonic activity that keeps those you care about in bondage. It will help you discover the power and spiritual authority you need to penetrate these walls and set the captive free.

3. **The Rules of Engagement: Understanding the principles that govern the spiritual battles in our lives.** by Charles H. Kraft and David M. DeBord
   Through this book you will come to a deeper knowledge of spiritual conflict, ranging from the personal level to the territorial level.

4. **The Twilight Labyrinth: Why does spiritual darkness linger where it does?** by George Otis Jr.
   The purpose of The Twilight Labyrinth is to help Christians arrive at a more complete understanding of the modern spiritual battlefield with a view to answering the question: Why does spiritual darkness linger where it does?

5. **Warfare Prayer: How to Seek God’s Power and Protection in the Battle to Build His Kingdom** by Peter C. Wagner
   In this book, you’ll find that using prayer as a weapon is only meaningful as it makes us more effective in reaching the lost. You’ll learn what it takes to step out against the demonic realm cautiously and wisely, as an informed and prepared warrior.

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**working with the rural poor**

1. **When Helping Hurts: How to Alleviate Poverty without Hurting the Poor…and Yourself** by Steve Corbett and Brian Fikkert
   Provides Biblical principles and guidelines for effective and holistic ministry to the poor focusing on a community’s assets instead of their weaknesses.

2. **Walking With the Poor: Principles and Practices of Transformational Development** by Bryant L. Myers
   Everyone wanting to engage in transformational Christ-centered development will find new insights and essential lessons from these hands-on practitioners.