



**Serve • Unite • Thrive**

**Dave Marttunen**  
Fellowship International Director

**T**he strongest mark of Fellowship International has been our willingness to leverage and make good use of our resources for God's glory. Using these resources well is a deeply Biblical principle. Jonathan, for example, took advantage of Israel's meager stockpile of weapons; at the time, there were only two swords and he possessed one of them. Only the young and inexperienced would have the heart to try his plan. That plan led to remarkable victory. Jonathan simply believed that God was worth risking his life to serve. (*Read again the story in 1 Samuel 13-14*).

We, too, with Jonathan's commitment and passion, must continue to effectively use what God has given us. We will do this by equipping missionaries to serve in challenging places. As the precarious circumstances of the world unfold on the nightly news, all of us see the immediate need to deploy missionaries to bring the hope of the gospel to every corner of our planet.

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We are better together as a Fellowship because of our international mission work. Missions has helped us to define our Fellowship movement. We serve together, combining our collective strengths through our missionaries. We obey God as we equip them to go and obey Him. We pray, we give, we team, and we serve together. Together we thrive.

Our commitment to missions has united us. We are thriving in partnerships. Churches are joining together to advance the Kingdom by supporting missionaries and by choosing to focus on specific fields or people groups. Missionaries are experiencing our united commitment as we support them to advance the Kingdom. Christ is honored and we are blessed.

As the newly appointed Director of Fellowship International I want to invite you to join me in this Kingdom endeavor. Please consider the part you can play in helping me.

- 1. Prayer.** I cannot do this work without your prayer support. Will you join my prayer team? Please indicate in the form on the reverse your desire to be a part of my prayer team and I will send you monthly updates and time-sensitive prayer requests.
- 2. Partnership.** I need one thing more. I need financial support. While my voice will articulate the vision, it is not my voice alone. It will be the voice of all our Fellowship International staff. I need your partnership to resource the vision and to strengthen our collective voice. Can you, whether individually or through your Church, commit to a monthly amount? Every bit counts. My dependency on the generosity of others is a constant reminder to me that I am not working alone. I am part of a team. If you are willing to join me please commit online, or by using the form on the reverse.

The legacy of our mission work around the world is rich and deep. Our history demonstrates that we are united in prayer and generous with our resources.



Steve Jones  
President,  
The Fellowship

It is with thanksgiving that I commend to you our new Fellowship International Director, Rev. David Marttunen.

David has been involved in 30 plus years of strategic visionary leadership, including church planting, pastoring, serving as a missionary and relief worker in South Africa, missionary member care coordinator to Fellowship International mission's personnel, as well as experience on Regional and National Fellowship Boards.

Dave comes with a wide variety of experiences and skill sets. He is a proven visionary with tremendous shepherding skills, is a superb communicator with significant strategic planning experience and is a leader who is relationally-driven with a commitment to empower others.

When asked to comment on the way forward for Fellowship International, Dave said, "I believe that the way forward is PARTNERSHIP... I think that collaboration is both at the initiative of the churches and at the stimulus of the Fellowship International Department with our churches."

I'm excited to welcome Dave to the Fellowship National team and look forward to working closely with him. I believe God has brought Dave to us for such a time as this in the life of Fellowship International. I believe we are on the cusp of exciting days ahead for our Fellowship International ministry under Dave's leadership.



Paul Kerr  
Fellowship International  
Director (1982-2000)

"I count it a privilege to be able to commend to our churches and Fellowship family, David Marttunen as the appointed new Director of Fellowship International. He and his wife, Donna, have endeared themselves to our missionaries at the annual Missions Institute and especially to our missionaries in Pakistan and Japan.

For 20 years David and Donna have gone to these two fields occasionally visiting others for counseling, teaching and ministry. They have made a significant impact and through these years have gathered expertise in the knowledge and practical understanding of the nature of the ministry and the needs of the missionaries.

David is an excellent communicator and I believe will be used of the Lord to bring a fresh focus of Fellowship International to our churches and potential candidates. It is with great joy that I commend David to you for your prayer and financial support as he assumes responsibility early this Fall."

"God calls those he has prepared for his service. In Dave's case, this preparation has been ongoing for many years. His exceptional ability to communicate God's Word has been greatly used to encourage and strengthen many of our front-line people serving in some of the most challenging regions of the world. Living in South Africa allowed Dave and Donna to taste missionary life and know its bitter sweet experiences. The care they provided our personnel was exceptional and opened up their understanding even more regarding the realities of serving cross-culturally so far from home.



Richard Flemming  
Fellowship International  
Director (2000-2007)

I believe Dave's pastoral perspective provides him with the credentials to speak to the influencers of our family of churches in the great cause of making Christ known to the peoples of the earth. I strongly believe that his leadership capabilities will serve our mission well for a time like this and am so glad Dave has responded to the challenge."

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—Dave Marttunen

- As God enables, I would like to contribute \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month for Dave's ministry.
- I would like to contribute a one-time gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
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