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Send for Peter

An angel brings a message to a Roman soldier, "Send for Peter." The high-ranking military man doesn't know why, but he doesn't ask questions. When an angel speaks, it's wise to obey. Perhaps you are familiar with this story from Acts 10.

A delegation is sent to get Peter. He arrives a few days later. He has traveled 30 miles - a long way on foot - and speaks for less than a minute before God interrupts his message and "the Holy Spirit came on" all these Gentiles who had gathered to hear what Peter had to say. Gentiles receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit! That's shocking to the Jewish Christians of that time.

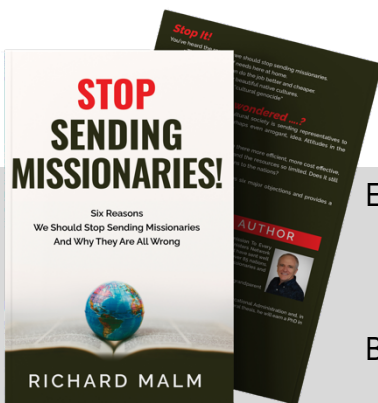
Here is what caught my attention. Why send for Peter? The angel was already there. Why not let the angel bring the message and save everyone a lot of time and trouble? Why make Peter travel so far to share a micro-message? Why make everyone wait three days? The angel would have been easier, quicker, more logical, more convenient, and less costly. (Angels work for free, right?) 😊

Scripture doesn't say why God chose Peter, not the angel, to deliver the message. Perhaps because the message of salvation is best delivered by one who has actually experienced it. Whatever the reason, the fact is, God chose to use a human messenger.

Today, God still uses methods that might not seem the most efficient, the most logical, the most cost effective. He still uses ordinary, flawed and imperfect people. Some who go. Some who enable others to go through encouragement and financial help.

God sent His Son and He still sends His sons and daughters to bring the greatest message mankind has ever heard. Angels just won't do. Thanks for being part of this divine plan and enabling God's sent ones to go.

Rick



Even in the church some are asking if we should **STOP SENDING MISSIONARIES.**

- There are so many needs right here at home.
- Can't national workers do it cheaper and better?
- Isn't it insensitive, even arrogant, to try to convert others to our beliefs?

Be prepared with specific answers for those asking these and other questions.

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1 - **Bill & Carla Henry** - Baja Mexico - Pray that where possible that they will be at peace with all peoples.

2 - **Jason & Jenn Byers** - Thailand - Please pray that they will find and begin work in the Isaan village that the Lord has for them.

3 - **Austin & Kate Mackintosh** - Northern Ireland - Please pray as they begin the residency process in the UK and for their daughter as she plans the next step of her life- university/work

4 - **Matthew & Cindy Wright** - Greece – Pray that God would open connections with the cross-cultural workers who need their debriefing/counseling services.

5 - **Amanda Griffin** - Japan - Pray for wisdom in following God's guidance for each step and that He would open the hearts and doors of the Japanese people to Christ.

6 - **Christine & Jun Apatan** - Philippines - Please pray with them for good workers and supplies as well as staying within the budget for their building project.

7 - **Janet & Oscar Huarac** - USA - Pray that the youth in Huaraz would be impacted by their teaching times and would gain a greater desire to go deeper in the Scriptures – these are the future leaders of the Church!

8 - **Karren & Rockie Chupa** - Guatemala - Please pray that the Lord would work mightily in and through the teams that are going to serve there!

9 - **Bethany Jeffers** - Tanzania - Pray for her in her new counseling role as she advocates for the mental health of the children and staff, as well as look for opportunities to promote healing and growth in the lives of others in their community.

10 - **Dennis & Betsy Steinmetz** - Belize - They have three College Age children; please pray that they will have the financial assistance to attend a college that will meet their career objectives. And that God will reveal His choice for their careers.

11 - **Carlos & Karen Feijoo** - Ecuador - Pray for Salva Una Vida, the pro-life ministry they serve with, to continue being a place where young men and women can hear about the love and forgiveness that only Jesus can give.

12 - **Marlon Munoz** - Honduras – Please pray for the ministry of evangelism, discipleship, church planting, biblical-theological teaching, and for his daughter Madison Cielo Munoz.

13 - **Melody Warford** - USA – Pray God will give her insight, humor, and creativity in her efforts to write her story and for the impact it could have on potential future missionaries.

14 - **Jennifer & Darwin Zilly-Canales** - Honduras – Please pray for rest, peace, serenity, and faith for Darwin and Jennifer in the midst of many daily trials, obstacles and responsibilities.

15 - **Laura & Josue Valencia** - Mexico - Pray for their men's and women's ministries to form strong Believers with a desire to serve God faithfully.

16 - **Robert & Jenny Wheelis** - Albania - Pray for the development of partnerships as they coach and minister to church planters in former communist countries of Europe.

17 - **Danyelle & Franco Graves-Moron** - Bolivia - Please pray for Franco and Danyelle and their family as they finalize the adoption process with their daughter Amelia.

18 - **Christopher Russell** - Guatemala - Please pray for God's direction and favor as they expand their school ministry.

19 - **Valerie & Appolinaire Ntiganzwa** - Rwanda - Pray for the health of their whole family as they serve.

20 - **Erin Cottos** - Baja Mexico - Please pray for discernment about how best to support staff both in Haiti and Mexico during this time of transition.

21 - **Joél & Emily Malm** - USA - Please pray for opportunities to share about the new book, especially internationally and upcoming travel this summer.

22 - **Christina & Armando Butler-Pena** - Mexico - Pray for LAMPEI church to reach out through church planting in Mexico, the Americas, and to the ends of the earth.

23 - **Ramzan & Jennifer Hosein** - Belize - Please pray for a new church plant that Jennifer and Ramzan are seeking to organize and establish in Punta Gorda, Belize, and for developing an online platform for the Bible college in Trinidad.

24 - **Steve & Jen Butwill** - Liberia - Please pray and praise God for Milton (physician assistant) and Anthony (dispenser), both of whom recently joined the Po River Clinic family.

25 - **Chad & Kara Mia Dexter** - Philippines - Please pray for their recent graduates and their ELI Asia faculty that they will continue to be students of the Word and will stand without compromise on Biblical truth against theological and ecclesiological trends which are contrary to Scripture.

26 - **Randy & Sandra Huebert** - Baja Mexico – Please pray for a strengthened relationship with DIF (social services) as they work alongside them to offer the best care to the girls they bring to them.

27 - **Karen Lam** - Ecuador - Please pray for health and clear ministry direction.

28 - **Diane & Darren Wilson** - Baja Mexico - Pray for them as they make plans to leave Baja Rosarito for Canada. Transition and adjustment to new life in Canada.

29 - **Michael & Alecia Corbin** - USA — Pray for coaching ministry to pastors and missionaries and a possible ministry change.

30 - **Jon Evans** - Kenya - Pray for his upcoming marriage in July.

31 - **Rick and Jana Malm** — USA- Pray that they lead with grace, humility, and wisdom and always seek to serve and uplift those they lead.