



## EFCA EFCA Mission Highlights from the Leadership Conference July 2011

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Dear Pastor and Mission Leaders,

Greetings in Christ. Before I share the mission highlights of the EFCA Annual Leadership Conference in San Diego, I want to remind you that Ramadan is from August 1<sup>st</sup> to August 30th. The organization called [www.WorldChristian.com](http://www.WorldChristian.com) has a booklet "30 Days of Prayer for the Muslim World," available to order. It is a daily prayer book that focuses on prayer for Muslims during their holy month of fasting. I would encourage you to order these booklets at \$3 each or less if you order quantities. The daily readings focus on various topics, people groups and specific geographical areas along with prayer points. It is a good reminder for us to learn about, to pray for, and to reach out to Muslims during August.

### **ReachGlobal Mission Updates:**

- **Joni and Friends:** ReachGlobal has a partnership now with Joni and Friends. Joni spoke on Thursday night. She stated that one billion people in the world have disabilities. They are looking for volunteer helpers to serve the disabled at their 25 national retreat centers. Joni also stated that 80% of the disabled live in poverty in developing nations.
- **Japan:** There was a video presentation showing the devastation that hit Japan back in March. ReachGlobal is working with the EFC of Japan doing ministry and outreach. Teams are invited to come and help. It will take 10 years to rebuild Japan. You can get further information at the [efca.org](http://efca.org) site.
- **Justice Initiatives:** The Mukti Center just opened their doors in April. They are now training and equip five women who have come out of the sex trafficking. Contact Kathy Austvold [Kathy.austvold@efca.org](mailto:Kathy.austvold@efca.org) if you'd like further information about this project and Justice Initiatives. There are 27 million human slaves today in the world, of which 22 million are in India. This is now the second largest illegal trade activity worldwide.
- **Denny Morrow:** He has been the director of TouchGlobal. He is leaving the mission in mid-July to go back into educational leader.

Let us know how we can serve you and your church this year!

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Blessings,

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