



Message from your Divisional Director



Suddenly, I could see a way to combine my call to foreign missions with my love for teaching. Not only would I be able to share the love of Jesus through the mode of an English language, American-styled, K-12 Christian education, but I could also support the work of frontline Ms and join in God's work around the globe.

Fellow International Christian Educator,

This month I was given the opportunity to write a piece of international news for the ACSI US Snapshot. In it I shine a light on the opportunity to serve overseas at international Christian schools like yours. This is what I wrote...

If you had asked me around age 11 what I wanted to be when I grew up, I would have told you that I wanted to be a missionary to Italy. Why Italy? Because I loved Italian food and I was sure those people needed Jesus. Hey, if you gotta be a missionary, at least have great food, right? Food preference aside, I was quite sincere about the need to tell others the good news of the gospel wherever that might take me. Thankfully, as I grew older, God used some key experiences that resulted in a clearer call on my life that eventually led me to Christian schooling overseas.

One of those key experiences was a summer college missions trip to the Philippines that purposefully exposed our team to a broad range of traditional, frontline ministry opportunities...

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Blessings to you,

Tim

Tim Shuman for the International School Team

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[HAPPY WORLD TEACHERS DAY from our friends at Christian Schools Australia.](#)

Coming Up

- **ACSI International School [Virtual Job Fair](#) on 17-18 November 2020** is open for registration now. Please visit the job fair webpage to learn more about how it works.
- [International School Leaders Conference](#) is on the calendar for 25–27 April 2021. We will decide to hold in-person or go virtual early in 2021.
- Save the date: **ICEC Asia** 24-27 November 2021. Details to be confirmed.
- We are sorry to announce that [ICEC Africa](#) for spring 2021 has been cancelled.
- [PFO2Go course remains available](#). One international school is taking a slow approach through PFO2Go this fall, enjoying one session at a time with their new staff and mentors. Another administrator in Central Asia wrote this about PFO2Go, “Well done on all the presentations by all the presenters. We found that PFO2Go was valuable for everyone who attended, and the administration is considering it a must-attend training for all staff.” Learn more and register at the [PFO2Go website](#). If you are a head of school please reach out to me for time-limited free access to take a look at the course.
- [ACSI USA is offering their PD Forum](#) event on a virtual platform this fall. We recommend that International schools wait until the PD Express version becomes available around on 15 October. The PD Express version will allow you to enjoy this conference any time and will include discussion guides for individuals or groups. Look for more information soon.
- Calling all Kindergarten and Pre-kindergarten teachers and leaders. Please check out the ACSI EE [conferences](#) and [free webinars](#). It is

recommended that you also join the ACSI EE Community Group. [EE Foundational Statements](#).

- [STEM Competitions and Webinars](#) (a partnership with ACSI & Grand Canyon University) are open to international schools.



ACSI's Flourishing Schools research provides schools with a concrete understanding of what leads to and results from a flourishing school culture. [Discover the model](#). [Measure your school](#). [Engage in learning](#). ***Transform your school culture to flourish.***

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Join hundreds of educators virtually this fall at [PD Forum 2020](#) where we are learning to understand well-being and how it relates to the biblical concept of Flourishing. Join hundreds of educators virtually this fall at [PD Forum 2020](#) where we are learning to understand well-being and how it relates to the biblical concept of Flourishing.

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Resources

- Thank you for participating in the Reopening survey [ACSI International School Reopening Report Fall 2020](#).
- See the latest [INTL School Accreditation Newsletter here](#).
- Interaction International has relaunched their magazine INTERACT. [See a sneak-peek here](#).
- Wish I could have read this when I was a new teacher. [Letter to New a Christian School Teacher](#).
- Check out [ACSI's New Strategic Plan – the 3 Pillars](#)
- ICEF Monitor sees [Continued growth for international K-12 schools with greater emphasis on mid-market segment](#).

- Good article, [One study shows you can raise your IQ by 13 points by having an “abundance mindset”](#)
 - For Boarding Personnel. Be sure to follow the good work of our friends at Boarding Training Australia. [Here is where you can find their blog posts](#) on boarding topics.
 - I am pleased to let you know that ACSI has been working with [Boarding Training Australia](#) to offer free, personalized, online training for your boarding program personnel. Please reach out to me to learn more.
 - Watch ACSI’s own Dr. Vernard Gant preach at Brooklyn Tabernacle on [“A New Approach to how God’s people should relate to one another and to this world in this time of racial division and strife”](#).
 - Did you know that your brain is stressed out — but in a good way? [The Silver Lining of Pandemic Stress](#).
 - I love data illustration: [The Tallest Structures in the World Throughout History](#) and [The True Size of Land Masses from Largest to Smallest](#) and [The Range of EVs on Major Highway Routes](#).
 - And this Photo Tour of what [back-to-school looked like in 16 countries](#) during this pandemic.
 - I’ve been journaling for over 30 now. I enjoyed this post, [On the Journaling Life: 10 Years and Counting](#).
 - Are you plugged into one of the many [ACSI Community Groups](#)? You need to be if you are not yet.
 - How can we pray for you? Please join us in praying for international schools on the [ACSI International School Prayer Community](#). You can post prayer requests and share God at work stories through this community.
 - Be sure to stay up on ACSI Blog posts and podcast. [See the resources here](#).
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URGENT PRAYER REQUESTED

- Will you consider supporting the need of your sister-international school in Niger? **Sahel Academy** once again experienced a devastating flood across their entire campus. [To assist in the recovery please visit here](#). To learn latest news find Sahel Academy on Facebook.
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Headship Openings Only

- Caspian Academy, Baku, Azerbaijan. [Learn more here.](#)
- Christian International School of Prague, Czech. [Learn more here.](#)
- Holy Lands Ministry Schools, Israel. [Learn more here.](#)
- Hope International School, Phnom Penh, Cambodia. [Learn more here.](#)
- Kiev Christian Academy, Kyiv, Ukraine. [Learn more here.](#)
- Whitman Academy, West Amman, Jordan. [Learn more here.](#)

Be sure to check our list of [member schools' job opening links](#) as well as the [ACSI Job Board](#).

Promotions



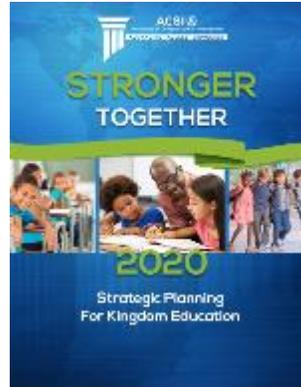
Cultivating Transformation Through Educational Resources



The **NEW** [Language Arts series](#), K-Grade 2, is getting wonderful reviews from schools. Here's one: **"I completely fell in love with the new Language Arts materials! There is only one teacher's edition. That alone is HUGE and makes teaching ELA so much easier. There are also great leveled readers to fit all of our students!"** K. Admire, Christian Hills Schools

Even though pumpkin spice is in the air, it's time to begin thinking about spring testing! [Learn more](#) at our website.

ACSI News



While our primary objective is to help Christian schools make disciples of Jesus Christ, ACSI raises the bar by balancing rigorous research-based best practices with time-tested biblical principles to create a flourishing academic experience that will transform how a Christian school community lives out their faith beyond their time in the classroom. [READ MORE ABOUT OUR STRATEGIC PLAN HERE](#)

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