NOW We're Going



> We have **prayed**.
> We have **given**.
> Now we are **going**."

This is how Pastor Adam Blosser sums up the way **Goshen Baptist Church** in Spotsylvania has grown in its missions engagement over the past 10 years since his arrival as senior pastor. Throughout its 154-year history, Goshen has been a faithful Great Commission church, even seeing former pastors such as Rob Moore sent through the International Mission Board (IMB) to the nations. Faithful members like Linda Shrum have served on the Standing Rock Reservation in the Dakotas.

Today, however, is a new day as Goshen expands their global footprint and endeavors to play an important role in reaching the unreached and seeing churches planted in Virginia, in North America, and to the ends of the earth.

Pastor Adam has led the church to raise their eyes and see the fields that are white unto harvest.

"The call to take the Gospel to our neighbors and the nations has been a huge emphasis for our church over the last 10 years. While our giving to missions increased almost immediately and has continued increasing, building real, meaningful mission partnerships took more time, and we are really just beginning to see that effort flourish. We celebrated our 150th church anniversary in 2022. At that time, we adopted a 5-10 year vision for our church with specific goals covering all areas of church life. A big part of that was national and international missions," Blosser explains. And the goals are robust.







Within the United States

✓ **Plant a new church.** Play a significant role in planting one new church by the end of 2027 and a total of three new churches by the end of 2032.

✓ **Respond to natural disasters.** Send church members through the SBC of Virginia Disaster Relief to respond to three natural disasters by the end of 2027 and ten natural disasters by the end of 2032.

Around the World

✓ **Establish mission partnerships** in two locations around the world. This includes partnering with local churches and long-term missionaries and involves short-term trips.

✓ **Adopt an unreached people group.** Adopt one unreached people group to focus on praying for and reaching with the Gospel.

✓ **Mission education.** Establish a means of mission education within the church.

So how is it going?

Pastor Adam says the church is now reviewing their progress as the church approaches its 155th anniversary.

"We currently have two international partnerships and two national church planting partnerships."

The church adopted the S family, who are Virginia IMB workers serving in Southeast Asia, that needed church and pastoral care. Pastor Adam visited them in November 2025, and the church actively prays for and supports their work. Another IMB couple from Virginia is working in North Africa, and Goshen has been praying for their work and is preparing to visit them soon. The church is also preparing to adopt the unreached people group this couple is working to reach.

Locally, Goshen is a major partner of Impact Church in Fredericksburg, led by Pastor Brandon Hembree and his family.

"They met in our building for a time when they were first assembling their core team. We support them financially. We pray for them regularly. And we have done ministry together some here in the area," Pastor Adam recalls.

Goshen's church planting involvement also extends beyond Virginia.

In November 2023, Blosser joined a vision trip to Puerto Rico with SBCV pastors and connected with church planter Christian Acevedo. In 2025, Goshen took its first partnership trip to Puerto Rico and began financially supporting the work of Iglesia Bautista Castillo Fuerte in Gurabo. That relationship continues to flourish.

What about Disaster Relief?

The church has a long history of serving others and has recently sent several teams to Mountain City, Tennessee, to serve alongside SBCV Disaster Relief and Rebuild teams. And all of these partnerships are happening simultaneously.

On August 16, 2026, Goshen Baptist celebrated what the Lord is doing through Great Commission Partnerships as three teams had served in one month around the globe.

The Lord has called every church of every size and every age to faithfulness to the Great Commission. This task requires every church to play its part.

At Goshen Baptist Church, about 103 average weekly worship attendees are partnering with churches, church plants, and missionaries to play their role. And the church gets to reap the benefits as well. Pastor Adam remarked, "I am very excited about what God is doing in our church through our missions efforts both nationally and internationally." ●

TAKE THE NEXT STEP

If your church wants to take the next step in Great Commission faithfulness, contact your Missions Mobilization Team.

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