Support Teams - Care of Sent Ones Within Regions

We are always asking the question as mission leaders, "How can we provide better, more stable practical care from our church that does not place the burden on the sent one?"

Our **regional support team model** is an outworking of that question. The Support Team structure emphasizes practical care needs. This model will also allow a small team of people in the church to use their gifts to serve 5-8 sent families/singles.

Team role:

- Meet practical needs
 - Pre-field needs (prep to move overseas)
 - Stateside / reentry (returning to US)
 - Prayer ministry
 - Etc.
- Mail care packages
- Share requests with CG's who want to pray for sent ones.
- Volunteer and help with receptions for sent ones.
- Prepare, stock, and clean mission house for regional sent ones.
- Help with housing and car needs, relational connections, doctors, school, etc while on stateside.
- Be faithful in prayer as a support team for their sent ones. (individually and as a group)

Details:

- Support teams are built and lead by each Regional Mission Pastor.
- Teams should be 3-5 people, including a team leader, who each fill various roles and work together on certain projects like preparing for stateside time.
- Teams should *meet regularly* (as determined by the team and team leader) to pray and work on practical needs.
- Be available for *biannual support team trainings* with other regional support teams.

If you would like to serve on a Support Teams with of our regions, please email <u>midtownmissions@sojournchurch.com</u>

Current Regions: 1) Asia & Americas 2) Europe & Africa 3) Middle East & Central Asia