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Travis and his sponsored daughter, Jinda. Travis and Courtney Rutland sponsored Jinda for more 15 years.



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# Legacy Builders

A Legacy Built in People, Dreams and Opportunity

BY TRAVIS RUTLAND

In the musical *Hamilton*, Alexander Hamilton discusses the idea of legacy. “Legacy. What is a legacy? It’s planting seeds in a garden you never get to see. I wrote some notes at the beginning of a song someone will sing for me.” Those are powerful and true lyrics. Leaving a spiritual legacy is important for all believers. However, it is also very important that we understand what legacy truly is. If we get too caught up in making sure great things happen in our lifetime that we can take credit for and that we can receive applause for, then we are not really doing all we can to leave a true spiritual legacy.

King David understood this better than most. David was forbidden by God to build the temple. However, he was not forbidden to help with the preparation of that massive building project. In 1 Chronicles 22:3-16, we are told of all the preparations that David made before the temple was built. It says that David made abundant preparations of iron, bronze, cedar trees, gold, and silver. In verse 5, David makes it clear that the temple must be glorious and that he will personally do all that he can for that to happen. David also does all that he can for his son, Solomon, to be successful. David wants the generation that follows him to be successful in their own calling. So, it is David who purchases and collects all the materials necessary to build the temple. Remember, it is also David who drew up all the plans for the temple, the courts, and work of the priests and Levites (1 Chronicles 28:11-13). Yet, the temple was named Solomon’s Temple. That is the essence of spiritual legacy. The focus is never on ourselves. Instead, the focus is on advancing the Kingdom of God and not caring who gets the credit.

The idea of leaving a spiritual legacy has always been important to Global Servants. This organization was never about my dad and mom. Instead, it was about what they could do for others and how they could leave the people and world around them in better shape. As president of Global Servants, this remains my goal. I have told the Global Servants staff and board the same thing for more than 3 years. It is not about who we are, it is about what we do. And what we do is leave a legacy for others.

We operate two Houses of Grace so that future generations of girls in Thailand and West Africa can fulfill their destiny. We invest in rural villages so that the people living there and their children and grandchildren can have access to clean water, toilets, and churches. We build schools because education has the ability to transform a country in only a few generations. I may not see all those changes made and all those destinies fulfilled but that is the beauty of leaving a legacy. You do all that you can and then you leave the long-term results to God and to others to continue the work you started.



I encourage you to leave a spiritual legacy in the lives of the people around you. That is what will endure when we are gone. That is what will last when our time on earth is finished. We would love for you to partner with Global Servants to continue to leave a legacy around the world. Our work is a legacy built in people and dreams and opportunity. What we are doing is writing some notes that someone else will sing. We would be honored if you chose to write that song with us. ◀

TRAVIS RUTLAND has worked for Global Servants since 1997. He currently serves as the President of Global Servants. In addition to his role at Global Servants, Travis is the Lead Pastor at Restoration Church in Bethlehem, Georgia. A native of Georgia, Travis holds a Bachelor’s degree and a Master’s degree from Southeastern University. Travis has been married to his wife, Courtney, since 1997 and they reside in Loganville, Georgia. They have three sons, Mark, Owen and Liam.





# Home Ownership Dream Becomes A Reality

My journey from the village to a life I only dreamed about

By Suzie Yerjae

**H**i, my name is Suzie Yerjae. When I was a child, our family was poor and did not have enough money to purchase food. My mother and father fed us from the wild food they could find in the forest. I remember eating a lot of eggplant and chili paste as a child. I do not remember ever feeling satisfied as a child; we were always hungry but grateful to have something to eat.

As our family grew older, it became even more difficult because all children in Thailand must attend school. We did not have the money to eat lunch at school. We took rice wrapped in leaves to eat. All children must buy uniforms for school. My parents purchased one uniform for me. I hand-washed it every day to wear the next day. I did not have school shoes, only flip-flops. In the 4th grade, I started working at night to pay for school. I would go to school and work from 6:00 pm to midnight, falling asleep at 1 or 2 am. I made a salary of 500 bhat, roughly 14.00USD per month. I maintained

this schedule from the 4th to 6th grade. I was paying for my school, my sister's school, and having to help my family with expenses. At the time, I was exhausted, but I had to endure it every day. I didn't want to, but I didn't have a choice. I had to ease my family's financial burden. One day I became seriously ill and had to quit school in the sixth grade. My chances of



further studying were minimal. I am the eldest child, and it was my duty to sacrifice my education, go to work, so my siblings could go to school. However, I wanted to study more, so I wrote a letter to the House of Grace and came here to finish my education. If I had not come to the House of Grace, I have no idea where I would be today.

In 1997, I was starting the 7th grade and moved into The Grace House. Words cannot explain how happy I was to be here. I knew this was my home—the house I always wanted. I have everything I've ever wanted, everything I have ever dreamed about. The House of Grace fulfills everything I've lacked since I was a kid. I no longer live with lack, whether love, warmth, empathy or the fundamentals.

When I stepped into House of Grace, I didn't have any feelings about going home. I haven't been happier since I remember. I never thought about returning to my parent's home because I was afraid to return to my old life. What I had to go through every day was the sound of my



parents fighting. I know why my parents were fighting. My parents constantly fought about the cost of food for all of the children. Even on school breaks when all the girls would go back to their homes, not me. I would get a job during the school holidays to avoid entering my parent's house. I worked every semester and saved my money every year from 1997 – 2007.

After I graduated from The Phayao Bible Seminary, I started working at House of Grace. In 2006, I interned as a dorm assistant and became a full-time employee in May 2007. Even when discouraged because of my health problems, I try hard to do my absolute best.

I am happy to be working at the House of Grace. I am closer to my House of Grace

family than my blood relatives. For over 20 years, my feelings have not changed. House of Grace is my home where I live, where I am happy, where I am safe.

From 2007-2014, I worked in the dorm as a leader, taking care of girls directly. In 2014, I was promoted to work in the office handling paperwork for all girls at House of Grace. Their school registration, their state paperwork, and even citizenship issues. We currently have 26 girls without Thai citizenship, and the application process can take from one year to over twenty. I enjoy working in the office, and in 2019, I became the Office Administrator. As we have hired more staff, the daily duties of childcare fall to other employees to take care of each dorm: little, middle, older,

and university.

I am very proud to say I have purchased my very own home. I thank God that He has provided me with grace to buy it at an affordable price. It's a small house, but I am proud because I can get it myself, and most importantly, thank you for giving me a job and the ability to buy this house. I thank God!

I want to thank Dr. Mark and Aunt Alison. Who founded this house for the underprivileged and thank you for letting me come to the House of Grace and study. Thank you for giving so much and building a future for many disadvantaged children. Thank you for saving little girls for big destinies. Thank you for your love, and I would like to thank my sponsors, James, and Martha Mckinnon, for providing for me financially for all of those years. Their prayers, support, and love have meant the world to me. They have dedicated their lives to me like I am their daughter. God bless you. ◀



*SUZIE YERJAE has been working at House of Grace - Thailand since 2007 and is the Office Administrator. Suzie first came to House of Grace in 1997, where she started her 7th-grade education. Suzie earned a Vocational College Certificate from Kanchanaphisek Chiang Rai Technical College in Accounting 2002. Suzie continued her education and graduated from Phayao Bible Seminary in 2006.*

## Miku Milk Tea Bar

We are so excited to share with you an entrepreneurial success story. Apraw Biangcheku (Pim) has opened a food cart business in Chiang Rai, Miku Milk Tea Bar. She makes and sells a dessert called taiyaki croissant. She has been working hard and saving her money while attending school to open this business independently. We are so proud of her! Her food cart is located in a high-traffic area of Chiang Rai, and she uses Grab, Foodpanda, and Line Man delivery services to broaden her clientele base. Apraw's goal is to one day have a storefront to sell her pastries. One of the first calls to celebrate her success was to John and Tricia, her sponsors. We are grateful for people like you that make these success stories possible; We are Saving Little Girls for Big Destinies!





## Tied Together By Love

You were saved, chosen, and set apart

By Fay Inman

Support can take on many forms, and inside of House of Grace-Ghana and House of Grace-Thailand, support is evident in many ways. Quantitatively, we report to the respective governments through finances, girls rescued, and other measurable variables. However, the most valuable support is not quantitative but qualitative.

### How do you measure safety?

Is it just the idea of not getting hurt? Or the idea of knowing when you go to bed at night, you will be secure, awoken to breakfast, and people that are happy to see you. When you are sad or feel alone, there is someone to sit by you and hold your hand. When your spirit is heavy, people

pray with you and provide a shoulder to cry on. When you are happy, there is a playground to play on with slides and swings, sisters to laugh, hug and even skip with you in your joy.

### How do you measure education?

Is it just a grade completion? Or the idea of knowing that even when a subject is complex, you will have a tutor to help you understand. When you do not comprehend, you have mentors to explain it in another way. You are valued and respected, and the teachers create a supportive environment, strengthening your self-esteem. You have people that encourage education in all forms, from University to Technical College. House

of Grace provides an atmosphere where dreams can flourish and exposure to career ambitions that were not visible before are apparent. Vision extends beyond your village or past generational achievements. You have hope in a future filled with promise. You are empowered to pursue your God-given destiny.

### How do you measure belonging?

The emotional and spiritual support for girls at the Houses of Grace extends past the walls of the home. Sponsor families know the hopes and dreams of their daughters, their family histories, and the reasons that brought them to the home. Girls and their sponsors share prayers for lost relatives, sick family members, and





newborns to extended families. They have prayed together for healing and protection during Covid. They have prayed for families affected by natural disasters; they have been there for life changes, good and bad. They are families tied together by love but separated by miles.



Dan Odarno, the International Director in Ghana, explained it best when government officials asked him how House of Grace is not a typical institutional orphanage? “Our sponsors see girls at the House of Grace-Ghana as their children, as part of their families. Our sponsors celebrate birthdays with them; we showed the officials pictures of our girls hanging in the houses of their sponsors/ on their refrigerator and the fact that indeed if not for the distance between the US & Ghana, our girls would live with their sponsors. We keep House of Grace-Ghana because of the distance and the physical structure here on the campus serves as their home.”



### Where do you consider home?

At House of Grace Thailand, girls who lived at the home thirty years ago still come back for holidays and celebrate friendships. On alumni birthdays, they purchase treats for all the girls at the home, showing their continued affection, even if the alumni are on the other side of the world. The girls at House of Grace-Ghana have become ambassadors. They travel to their home villages, speaking to chiefs and elders, demonstrating their trust and confidence in the House of Grace. Presenting the success House of Grace can have for their orphaned relatives. There is pride in being a girl at the House of Grace. You were saved, chosen, and set apart.



group provides additional support to the girls at both homes. ◀

### How can you measure gratitude?

At Global Servants, we are grateful for the staff at both homes that make all of this possible. Nationals operate both homes in Ghana and Thailand with the financial support of sponsor families worldwide. Our sponsors support a single girl on average for ten years and stay connected for a lifetime. We also have a group of donors identified as the Empowering Esther group. This group is based on the biblical story of Esther and her calling to leave a legacy. Our Empowering Esther

FAY INMAN is the Advocate at Global Servants. With over 20 years of experience as an advocate nationally for girls. Fay has been married to Kenny for over thirty years, and they have two daughters: Kennedy, Gussy and grand-baby Ophelia Fay.

### How can you get involved?

If you are interested in financially supporting Global Servants, House of Grace-Ghana, or House of Grace-Thailand, please visit our website at [globalservants.org](http://globalservants.org) or call our office for additional information at (888) 823-8772.







# Of Kings And Prophets

Understanding your role in natural authority and spiritual power

BY DR. MARK RUTLAND

When I was in elementary school, I told my teacher, Mrs. Burkett, I wanted to write books. I was afraid she'd laugh. Instead, she encouraged me. She made me believe that someday, I would really write a book. My newest book, my 20th, is *OF KINGS AND PROPHETS*. I can hardly believe it. Twenty books. Hundreds of thousands of copies sold in many countries and printed in three languages. Every page, every word by the grace of God. And every penny went to support The House(s) of Grace on two continents. Mrs. Burkett was righter than she knew.

This newest book concerns the interactions between some Old Testament prophets and the kings they dealt with. Some of those were confrontational in the extreme. Moses and Pharaoh, for example. In other cases, the prophets and the kings were almost partners, the king as the political leader and the prophet as his adviser. Some of the kings listened to the prophets and were blessed. Others rejected prophetic messages and suffered or even perished for it.

Either way, the lessons to be learned from those kings and the prophets who dealt with them are just as

powerful and relevant today as ever they were. Do you know what the contest between Moses and Pharaoh was really about? It may not be what you think. Do you know about the fighting prophet who chopped up a king with another king's sword? What about the false prophet who put horns on his head? Or about the young men eaten by a bear because they laughed at a prophet?

Dr. Charles Stanley wrote in the foreword, "Studies of the kings and prophets are crucial because the prophets were God's holy messengers. They still speak to us today and show us how to be 'ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us.' (2 Cor. 5:20). It is my prayer that you will embrace the journey Dr. Mark Rutland is about to take you on—that you'll allow the prophets to speak to you as they spoke to kings."

While not technically *DAVID THE GREAT* Part II, this new book follows that huge seller quite naturally. If you enjoyed *DAVID*, I just know you'll be blessed by *OF KINGS AND PROPHETS*. If you somehow missed *DAVID*, I urge you to get them both. David himself was a prophet (If you doubt that, read Psalm 22), but my concern in this book is his interactions with prophets



such as Nathan and Samuel in his role as a king.

I know you're going to benefit from this book. To get your copy, please visit the store on my website: [DrMarkRutland.com](http://DrMarkRutland.com). Fill your cart with as many copies as you'd like. Please know, I don't take one penny from any book I've ever written. All the proceeds go directly to support the missions work of Global Servants and the girls at both of our House(s) of Grace. Christmas is coming fast! I hope you'll get everyone on your list, OF KINGS AND PROPHETS. God Bless! ◀

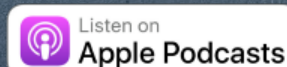
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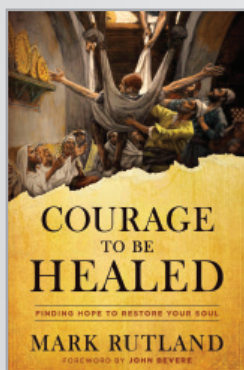


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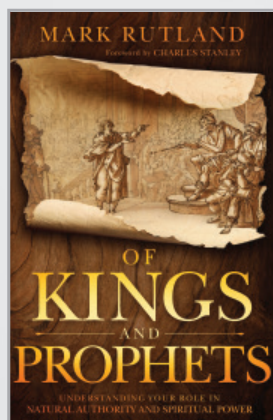
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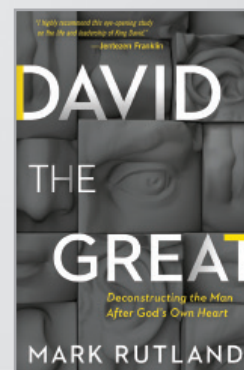
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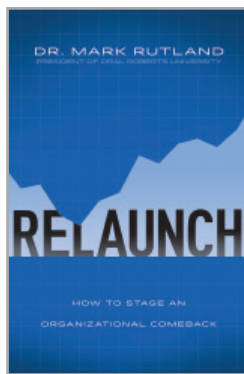
King David was a complicated, conflicted man of flesh. But too often is he viewed as an Americanized shepherd boy on a Sunday school felt board or a New Testament saint alongside the Virgin Mary. This not only neglects one of the Bible's most complex stories of sin and redemption, it also bypasses the gritty life lessons inherent in the amazing true story of David. Dr. Mark Rutland shreds the felt-board character, breaks down the sculpted marble statue, and unearths the real David of the Bible. Both noble and wretched, neither a saint nor a monster, at times victorious and other times a failure, David was through it all a man after God's own heart.





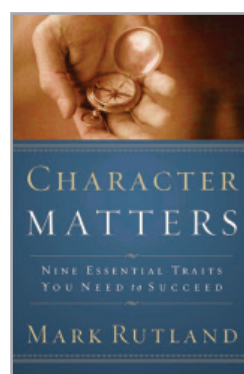
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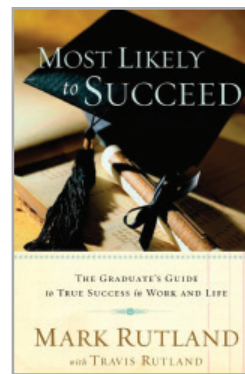
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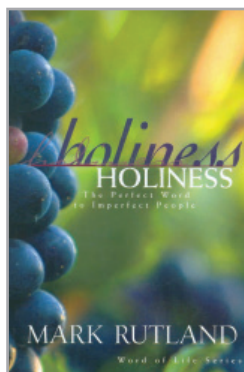
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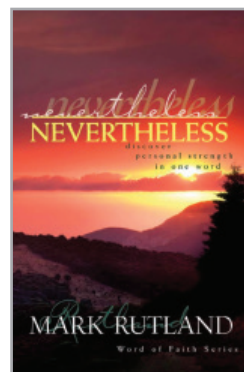
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# Happy 10 Years House Of Grace - Ghana!

Let us celebrate!

By Rev. Ronny Brannen

**B**elieve it or not House of Grace-Ghana is 10 years old. We have had the House of Grace in Thailand for 35 years and now House of Grace-Ghana has been impacting lives for 10 years. I remember being one of the first to visit House of Grace-Ghana back in 2011. To be honest with you I wasn't sure if this new house was going to make it. What I found was 10 little girls from different tribes and none of them spoke the same language of our first director, Comfort Odarno. Comfort told me it took almost two months for them to understand "eat" and they were eating things they had never had before. These ten girls were all orphans that really had nowhere else to go and everything was so unfamiliar that they were scared and quiet. Then there was this big white man and they wanted no part of it. In all of this Mrs. Comfort never gave up. She loved on them, worked with, loved on them, cared for them, and did I mention she loved on them. They became more and more comfortable. They realized her love and care for them was genuine and unwavering. They began to feel safe.

On our compound in Kumasi, we have a school, and all of the girls at House of Grace are required to go to school. Again



they faced the language barrier. As I said, each girl spoke their tribal language, the language for the Kumasi region is Twi and now in school they were faced with English. Ghana was a British Crown Colony and in school they speak English. The girls were already behind as they had never really gone to school and now they couldn't understand what was being taught. One was so frustrated that she told Mrs. Comfort that

if they taught in her language she might could learn. There were no big sisters to help but Mrs. Comfort never gave up, getting help anyway she could through the school. These little girls realizing they were given a special opportunity worked so hard.

Fast forward ten years. We now have 24 girls at House of Grace-Ghana. Girls are no longer isolated and feeling alone in the midst of all this new stuff. Big sisters are there to help them and show them the way. The government has made our home the model for all future children's homes in the country. 100% of our girls that have finished 8th grade have passed the required government test and moved onto high school. In 2022 we will have our first high school graduate that will be starting university. What an amazing victory for all of our girls and the staff at







House of Grace-Ghana. These girls have gotten to see the love of God in action and it had given them a future and a hope with would not be possible without you, our sponsors and supporters. You are truly Saving Little Girls For Big Destinies. Happy 10 years House of Grace-Ghana! ♣



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## Global Servants' Financial Audit

Every year Global Servants holds ourselves accountable to a strenuous external audit that allows us to stand out above the rest. This audit looks at all expenditures from payroll to office supplies and is overseen by our long-time CFO, Tim Rutland. Because of Tim's dedication to Global Servants and his commitment to fiscal integrity, Global Servants has a certified external audit and three external financial accreditations. This commitment to integrity means that all Global Servants; employees, both domestic and international are committed to being the best stewards possible of what God has given us. Our president Travis Rutland loves the old quote by John Wesley, "Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to

all the people you can, as long as ever you can." Global Servants' focus on financial integrity and stewardship allows us to do just that. Thank you so much, Tim, for your integrity and vigilance and for keeping us moving in the right direction. To view our most recent audited financial statement please visit: <https://globalservants.org/financials/>



### Charity Navigator Perfect 100

Because of our high standards of fiscal responsibility and effectiveness in our overseas operations, we are pleased to announce that Global Servants received a 100 out of 100 from Charity Navigator. This rating puts us in the top 100 nonprofits in the country, according to Charity Navigator. Success in fiscal responsibility has always been a priority for Global Servants, and because of this success, we have many donors who have been with us for more than 40 years. To these lifelong donors, we would like to say a special thank you. We invite others to prayerfully consider partnering with Global Servants with the knowledge that your money is used in the most effective way possible.

"That is wonderful!!! Global Servants is not an organization; it is a family! Our family"  
– Ray & Debbie

"Woohooo! Great job, team!"  
– David & Gina

"Well, I was just bragging on Global Servants, and now I have another reason to brag. Outstanding!!!"  
– Martha

"We were so impressed with House of Grace's love for the girls and that they were very open about where our money was spent that it was a joy to give. We NEVER doubted whether or not our little girls received what we sent or received the full benefit and more from our monthly support."  
– Michael & Jan

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# Empowerment Through Education

Education broadens the view of opportunity and opens doors for a bright future

By Tyler Ellis

For decades now, study after study has proven that education is the most effective tool to bring people out of poverty. A proper education broadens the view of opportunity and opens doors for a bright future. At Global Servants, a key focus in all our international work is providing education to those who usually would not have it. A world-class education is available to every girl at House of Grace. We can also offer training for the pastors of our churches and education for students at our schools because of our generous donors, sponsors, and ministry partners. Our continued commitment to educating people over the past 40 years has yielded generations of strong, wise, Christian men and women who change their communities and serve in the kingdom of God.

Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity in helping to make all this possible. As we move into a new year, I ask that you prayerfully consider partnering with us to see even more lives changed through the work of

Global Servants. Visit our website or call the office today to see how you can become a Global Servant and change the world. ◀



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