



Pastors  
Conference in  
the Philippines

ACTION Founder  
Doug Nichols  
teaching in Africa

Small training  
sessions for  
pastors  
are especially  
effective

BookShare  
distribution in  
Mérida, Mexico

## JOIN A **GROWING** TEAM

Help provide encouragement, resources and training to needy pastors, Christian workers and Bible school students around the world through:

**PASTORS CONFERENCES** - The cost of a one-day conference is only \$7 to \$19 for one pastor and includes venue, meals, administration, and in most cases, a BookShare set.

**BOOKSHARE** - You may have commentaries or a study Bible you could send overseas. Perhaps your church could finance BookShare sets for needy pastors. For example, \$500 will provide a set of books for 100 pastors.

**MISSIONARY TO PASTORS** - ACTION is praying for an additional 50 older pastors from the UK, Canada, New Zealand, and USA to serve two to five years in the Pastoral Leadership Development ministry, especially in Brazil, Cambodia, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Honduras, India, Malawi, Nepal, Nicaragua, the Philippines, Uganda, and Zambia.

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# PASTORAL LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT




serving  
needy  
pastors  
worldwide

"For they went out for the sake of the Name... therefore we ought to support such men, so that we may be fellow workers with the truth."

(3 John 7-8, NASB)

**ACTION** Action International Ministries

# SINCE THE NEED IS GREAT

# ACTION SEEKS TO HELP NEEDY PASTORS IN 3 AREAS

**Rapid growth.** "There is an average of 178,000 people coming to Christ daily around the world. Seven thousand new church leaders are needed daily to care for the growing church. Eighty-five percent of the churches of the world are led by people who have no formal training in theology or ministry. Leaders from every non-Western region say their number one need is leadership training." (*Serving with Eyes Wide Open*, David Livermore, page 41)

**Overwhelming needs and hopelessness.** Many pastors and their families live on less than \$1 per day and face overwhelming needs. One pastor in a refugee camp in Uganda, living in a grass hut, wanted prayer for his own family of eight and four orphans ravaged by AIDS.

**Huge workload.** One pastor in Malawi travels monthly to 60 churches he is responsible for with only his Bible and a well-worn bicycle, with little time for his family.

**Worldliness and carnality.** Lacking basic Biblical training, many pastors and churches fall prey to false or inadequate teaching and worldly methods.



Dedication prayer at close of a pastors conference in the Philippines



Distributing evangelical theological study materials



ACTION PLD Missionary teaching in Myanmar

## 1 PASTORS CONFERENCES

Pastors from the USA, Canada, and the United Kingdom sponsor and speak in conferences for equipping and encouraging needy pastors in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. They team with ACTION missionaries and local leaders to provide sound theology and much needed Biblical teaching, educational resources, and encouragement. Most conferences are one to three days and are free to the pastors and church workers as much as possible.

## 2 BOOKSHARE

Many pastors and their families live on less than \$1 a day. They are therefore not able to own basic ministry aids like a study Bible, concordance, or commentary. Through ACTION's BookShare ministry, expensive Bible study and training materials are printed and distributed either free or at cost. For example, a recent BookShare three-book set in the Philippines valued at \$30 was published for only \$5. A concordance (value \$18) was published for only \$2, a commentary on John (value \$15) for \$1.50! One thousand study Bibles were recently donated to BookShare for pastors in Uganda and shipped to Africa with many other boxes of new and used books for pastors.

## 3 MISSIONARIES TO NEEDY PASTORS

ACTION Pastoral Leadership Development missionaries serve in Africa, Asia, Europe, and Latin America. They provide ongoing training for pastors through mentoring, training seminars, and study materials. For example, one missionary couple in Manila recently had 32 pastors and church workers in their home once a week, for 20 weeks of training in Biblical Counseling.

