



## Service Recognition for Global Personnel



**ANDY LARSEN**

MEXICO, SPAIN, AND MIDDLE EAST NORTH AFRICA

1988 - 1999, 2006 – 2007, 2017 - 2023

**GARY AND PAULINE CARLSON**

JAPAN

1983 - 2023



**CELIA AND DAVID STOCKAMP**

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

1978 – 1994, 2014 – 2023

**CAROLYN AND JEFF STOKER**

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE

CONGO AND CAMEROON

1988 – 1997, 1998 - 2023



CITATION FOR ANDY LARSEN

**IN GRATEFUL APPRECIATION FOR SERVICE TO  
GOD'S KINGDOM AND THE GLOBAL CHURCH  
THE EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH RECOGNIZES  
ANDY LARSEN**

FOR WILLINGLY ACCEPTING the call to serve in Mexico from 1988 to 1999, ministering in Spain from 2006 to 2007, and returning to join the Middle East North Africa (MENA) team from 2017 to 2023.

FOR HUMBLY RECEIVING as privilege the opportunity to learn from and embrace the Mexican, Spanish, and diverse Middle East cultures while joining the missio Dei in an often complex yet sacred context.

FOR FAITHFULLY SERVING ministries of evangelism and church planting in Mexico, working with the Mosaics Project in Spain, and engaging in a broad range of justice and peacemaking relationship in the MENA region.

FOR GRACIOUSLY ENCOURAGING others, both missionary colleagues and national friends, through your gifts of pastoral care, peacemaking, cultural brokering and stellar, bridge-building photography.

FOR FAITHFULLY investing in the ongoing partnership with Peace Catalyst International.

FOR EFFECTIVELY LEADING by coaching the local church to engage in healthy insight and dialogue with their Muslim neighbor.

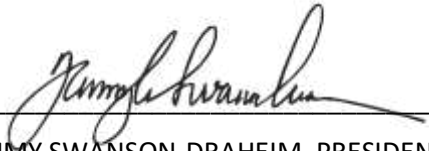
FOR STEADFAST CO-LEADERSHIP WITH YOUR WIFE, CARI, in ministry and resourcing of refugee and immigrant communities.

FOR COMPASSIONATELY AND GRACIOUSLY SHARING your gifts, life, and caring hospitality with many ministry partners, international friends, and guests for the last 35 years.

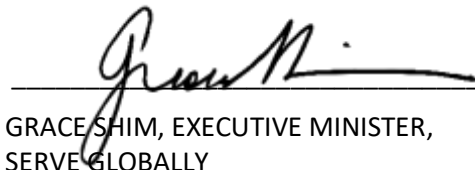
ANDY AND CARI, FOR AUTHENTICALLY LOVING one another and others, and modeling what it looks like to live as citizens of the kingdom of God.

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Presented in Garden Grove, state of California, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-three.



TAMMY SWANSON-DRAHEIM, PRESIDENT



GRACE SHIM, EXECUTIVE MINISTER,  
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CITATION FOR PAULINE AND GARY CARLSON

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PAULINE AND GARY CARLSON**

FOR WILLINGLY ACCEPTING the call to serve in Japan from 1983 to 2023.

FOR HUMBLY RECEIVING as privilege the opportunity to learn from and embrace the Japanese culture while joining the missio Dei in an often complex yet sacred context.

FOR FAITHFULLY SERVING within your calling and gifting for church planting, evangelism, Christian education, English Language courses, and counseling.

FOR GRACIOUSLY ENCOURAGING others, both missionary colleagues and national friends, through your gifts of pastoral care and church leadership, and for serving as country coordinators of the Covenant Missionary Committee of Japan.

FOR FAITHFULLY representing the kingdom, working in mutual partnerships, strengthening local churches, transforming individuals, families, communities, and affirming dignity.

GARY, FOR EFFECTIVELY LEADING while teaching missiology courses at Covenant Seminary in Tokyo, and for diligently serving as mission team treasurer.

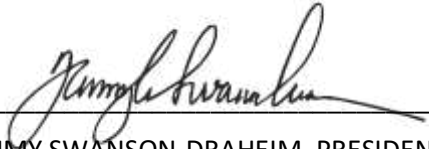
PAULINE, FOR STEADFAST LEADERSHIP and teaching at Shonan Community Church and as chair of the board of Christian Academy in Japan.

PAULINE AND GARY, FOR COMPASSIONATELY AND GRACIOUSLY SHARING your home and lives with many friends and guests for the last 40 years.

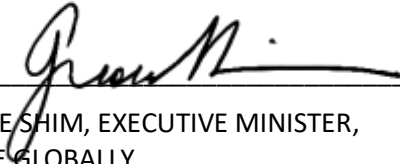
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DAVID AND CELIA STOCKAMP**

FOR DAVID WILLINGLY ACCEPTING the call to serve in the Democratic Republic of the Congo from 1978 to 1994 and returning to serve from 2014 to 2023.

FOR HUMBLY RECEIVING as privilege the opportunity to learn from and embrace the Congolese and other cultures while joining the missio Dei in an often complex yet sacred context over the span of 45 years of service.

FOR FAITHFULLY SERVING in mission roles on congregational, conference, and denominational levels with dedication and commitment.

FOR GRACIOUSLY ENCOURAGING others, both missionary colleagues and Congolese leaders, through your gifts of continuing pastoral education and theological training.

FOR FAITHFULLY FORMING theological students at the Ubangi Protestant University.

FOR STEADFASTLY LEADING by mentoring a new generation of Congolese pastors with training and resources that will have lasting impact.

FOR CELIA'S TIRELESS LOVE in encouraging and enabling David's ministry.

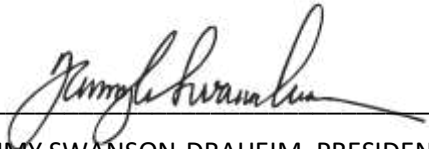
FOR DAVID AND CELIA'S WILLINGNESS in spending more than two years apart from one another over the course of the past nine years to advance theological education in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

DAVID AND CELIA, FOR COMPASSIONATELY AND GRACIOUSLY SHARING your gifts and your lives with ministry partners, pastors, and lay leaders.

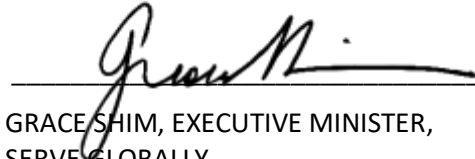
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CAROLYN AND JEFF STOKER**

FOR WILLINGLY ACCEPTING the call to serve in the Democratic Republic of the Congo from 1988 until 1997, followed by service in Cameroon from 1998 to 2023.

FOR HUMBLY RECEIVING as privilege the opportunity to learn from and embrace both the Congolese and Cameroonian cultures while joining the missio Dei in an often complex yet sacred context.

FOR FAITHFULLY SERVING ministries within the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Cameroon with dedication and commitment.

FOR GRACIOUSLY ENCOURAGING others, both missionary colleagues and national friends, through your gifts of financial management and education.

FOR FAITHFULLY engaging in vibrant partnerships with educational benefits for your team, ministry partners, families of missionaries, and others within the national community.

CAROLYN, FOR EFFECTIVELY LEADING by teaching, mentoring, and providing leadership as the director for the Rain Forest International School.

JEFF, FOR STEADFAST LEADERSHIP by teaching and faithfully providing organizational stability and support through accounting, financial care, and oversight.

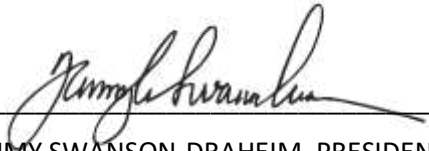
CAROLYN AND JEFF, FOR COMPASSIONATELY AND GRACIOUSLY SHARING your gifts and your lives with ministry partners, team members, students, and guests for the last 34 years.



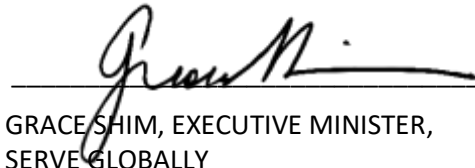
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