



Strategic Report: Deputation

August 2006 through May 2011

We prayerfully established four goals for our deputation:

Goal 1: Build a strong network of Churches and individuals, who team with us to realize the Vision statement together.

Goal 2: Inspire churches to pray for missions and recruit people for the mission field.

Goal 3: Learn the lessons God intends us to learn on deputation and develop stronger communication skills.

We developed the following strategies:

Inspire Churches to pray for missions by preaching sermons on missions & prayer commitment. (G1)

Challenge youth groups and Sunday school classes to consider how God might use them in global ministry. (G2)

Develop a Sunday School class to address some of the fears related to evangelism and witness. (G2)
completed November 2009

Teach women's classes (Heather) and address in which ways moms and wives can support missions. (G1 & G2)

Raise 50% of our support by October 2008. (G1)
missed; completed in May 2009

Attend launch seminar January 2010. (G1)
completed

Raise 80% of our support by May 2010. (G1)
missed; completed June 2010

Raise 50% of our outfit and passage by October, 2010. (G1)
completed

Raise 90% by end of November, 2010. (G1)
missed; completed January 2011

Raise 75% of our outfit and passage January, 2011. (G1)
missed; completed February 2011

Receive clearance from Baptist Mid-Missions. (G1 & G3)
completed; received our clearance to go to the field in April 2011

Move to the field fully supported in May 2011. (G1 & G3)
completed

Deputation was truly a blessed time in our preparation for ministry in Holland. We learned so many things about ministry flexibility, parenting, and waiting on the Lord. It was an invaluable investment of time and we want to thank all who contributed to this growing experience.

We are better because of it!