

## What's the Wingspan of Your Faith?

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*"For whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith." (1 John 5:4)*

As my wife, Dondi, and I buckle ourselves in the seats of this Boeing 747-400, on the way to a mission trip in Los Angeles, a question pops in my mind: "How can this massive aircraft fly?" By massive, I mean over 400 metric tons of take-off weight, a seating capacity of 433 and a length of 231 feet (or equivalent to about 2.5 basketball courts).

The answer to flying bigger and heavier aircraft is simple: greater wingspans and more powerful engines. The engines provide the thrust and the wings give the lift.

To me, this is relevant because our mandate in Elim Missions is to spread the Good News to the ends of the earth. It requires us to constantly grow, spread out and reach more territories. In other words, just like a massive aircraft, we need greater wingspans and more powerful engines. In the missionary realm, our faith is our wings and revival is our engine.

The only limit to what we can reach is our faith. Faith is one of Elim's main charisms, so I'd like you to join me in believing that God will keep opening doors of opportunity for us so that Elim communities will be planted in more cities, countries and continents around the globe — and with greater effectiveness and pace. Ultimately, this means seeing multitudes of Bible-believing and wholehearted disciples of Jesus Christ around the world.

To propel us to reach this dream is our engine of revival. Remember this: revival is the fuel for missions. The more we encounter the glorious, life-changing presence of God in worship, the more we want to share this experience with others. The more we taste the fire of revival, in both its purifying and freedom-giving forms, the more we want to share it with others. The more we are ablaze with the fire of revival, the more we feel compelled to serve and be part of the missions.

It all boils down to drawing closer to Christ, experiencing Him deeper, and being filled more and more with His Spirit. That, to me, is the best part! Let's join hands in pursuing our Beloved with greater resolve, chasing after Him, delighting in His will, surrendering to His plan and offering our lives wholeheartedly in His service — and together let us soar to the nations on wings of faith!

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