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We seek your participation in this vital ministry:

- As a participant in your church’s ESL ministry.
- As a person committed to pray for the expansion and development of ESL ministries across the PCA.
- As a financial contributor to MNA ESL Ministries.

By faith, we are trusting God for \$20,000 given in regular annual support. Please prayerfully consider a monthly contribution of \$50, \$100, or \$500, or an annual gift at one of the following levels:

- 1 Gift at \$5,000.....\$5,000
- 4 Gifts at \$2,500.....\$10,000
- 2 Gifts at \$1,000.....\$2,000
- 3 Gifts at \$500.....\$1,500
- 10 Gifts at \$150.....\$1,500



“And He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward Him and find Him. Yet He is actually not far from each one of us.” (Acts 17:26-27)

Your donations will help start new ministries in churches across our denomination, by supporting the training of new ESL teachers and leadership for the PCA, and by aiding in the continuous development of a Bible-based and Gospel-oriented ESL curriculum.

Also, MNA is trying to compile a list of all PCA ESL ministries so that a stronger network is created. If your church already has an ESL ministry that MNA may not be aware of, please contact:

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You can make a tax-deductible contribution to this ministry at www.pca-mna.org. Donations, made payable to Mission to North America, can also be mailed to:

Mission to North America
1700 N. Brown Road, Suite 101
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Designate: ESL Ministries

To be added to the ESL email prayer letter list, please send your request to nbooher@pcanet.org.

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ESL: An Effective Strategy for Cross Cultural Missionary Outreach in North America



God has brought the World to our Doorstep!!! Every city and town in the United States is experiencing an influx of people from all around the world. How should the Church respond to this movement of people directed by our Sovereign God? With joyful obedience!! Through ESL (English as a Second Language) ministries, the Church can now obey two of Jesus' great commands in one ministry. We can literally reach the nations (Matthew 28:19-20) by loving our neighbor (Luke 10:27).

ESL ministry is any ministry that uses the teaching of English as the starting point of sharing the Gospel in both word and deed. The hub of most ESL ministries is an ESL School. In an ESL School, conversational English is taught to adults in classes divided by fluency levels—beginner, intermediate, advanced. Other ESL ministries may grow out of your ESL School, including International Sunday School Classes, Bible Studies, Book Clubs, Mom's Groups, International College Student Outreach, and Friendship Partners. Volunteers do not need to speak the language of their students since only English is spoken in the classroom. All that is needed is to speak English and love Jesus and we can teach you the rest!!

Steps to Starting an ESL Ministry

1. **See the need.** The ethnic composition of your town or city is rapidly changing, and a great way to reach out is through free English classes.
2. **Get your church leadership on board.** Share your vision of starting an ESL ministry with the appropriate leadership at your church.
3. **Create a prayer base.** A solid prayer foundation is essential for the success of your ESL ministry. Get your church and friends involved in regular prayer for your ministry.
4. **Recruit volunteers.** You will need at least 7 people to get started. They do not need to be professional teachers or speak another language.
5. **Train the volunteers.** A basic ESL Teacher Training course will prepare you and your volunteers for the classroom.
6. **Make necessary decisions.** Number of classes offered, location, day and time, and curriculum will be important considerations.
7. **Advertise.** Create and distribute a brochure in your community in such places as the public library and grocery stores.
9. **Start your ministry.** Whether you start with a bang or begin slowly and build, God has a plan for you and your church to reach the nations among us.



MNA ESL is committed to helping Churches start and maintain thriving ESL ministries. MNA ESL Ministries Director Nancy Booher and the committed trainers working with her will be glad to work with you and your church to:

- Teach you how to start your own ESL ministry.
- Identify and coordinate training opportunities.
- Work with your director to select appropriate curriculum.
- Teach you how to incorporate the Gospel into your ESL ministry.
- Help you analyze and respond to challenges within your ESL ministries.
- Provide opportunities for enrichment training.