

## Our definition of "missionary"

In the World Missions Academy we define "missionary" as the following. For further details, please see the articles *What is a Missionary?*, *Who is a Missionary?*, and *What is the Missionary Call?* (all found under "Key terms" on the "Missions info" tab of the WMA website).

A missionary is a believer whom Christ has set apart, captivated, and returned as prisoner to the Church to dedicate himself or herself to serving as the formal and accredited ambassador of Christ and of the local churches that send him or her out, offering them a voluntary, authentic, genuine, and responsible representation (including submission to the authority and direction of these represented entities, and accountability to them for this representation), so that, through the sending of these ambassadors (with a delegated authority and a specific purpose) and through the representation thus achieved, these represented entities can fulfill the responsibilities that God has given them with respect to the Great Commission.

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