

## ***Don and Caroline Armstrong Regional Coordinators to Latin America***



### **Missions Focus:**

- **Serving as regional coordinators in Asia, working with missionaries and national leaders**
- **Assisting with ministry vision and strategy for specific countries and the region.**

Don and Caroline are no strangers to Church of God missions, but their names have not been associated with Asia and the Pacific until now. Although their experience has been in Africa, God is now calling them to a different part of the world, Latin America.

Their experience with missions began in 1989 when they answered God's call to live and work in Babati, Tanzania. They served there for sixteen years, administrating and teaching at Babati Bible School, training young men and women to be pastors. In addition to this, they also built churches, brought the Children of Promise program to Tanzania, served as field leaders for the other missionaries in the country, and also founded Aldersgate Educational Center. While in that country, they felt privileged to see the Church of God grow from fifty churches to just over three hundred.

Don grew up in a pastor's home and at the age of fourteen, while attending a mid-winter youth camp, committed his life to Jesus. As a dedicated lay worker, he had no plans for formal ministry and was planning a career in business. While working in the commercial insurance industry, he also volunteered in the junior high department at First Church of God in Vancouver, Washington. After five years there, he spent the next five years leading in the college-age singles department. After being elected to the board of trustees and later serving as chairman of the board, Don began to feel a growing interest in missions. A work camp to Brazil and then one to Africa preceded a strong and very specific call to go into missions full-time.

Caroline grew up in a Christian home and made her own commitment to the Lord at summer camp when she was fourteen. Through high school and college, she taught Sunday school and was active on various committees. After marrying Don, she worked with him in the junior high and then singles classes. In Africa, she taught Bible classes to future pastors, as well as English, which enabled many to go on for further theological training at Kima International School of Theology (KIST) in Kenya.

They now reside in Thailand.

### **Birthdays**

Don: January 22

Caroline: May 11

**Anniversary:** August 8, 1981

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