Laurie Sanders - Bio

Laurie is Vice President of Development with MedSend, a Christian non-profit which issues grants to enable healthcare professionals to serve the physical and spiritual needs of people around the world. MedSend also provides scholarships to indigenous doctors, in Africa and Asia, to complete training to become Christian family physicians and surgeons within their own countries.

She is also the Founder and CEO of Crossroads Journeys, a faith based non-profit which ministers to the needs of parents who have experienced the death of their child(ren). Crossroads is currently being expanded to include groups based on areas of interest (e.g., death of an only child, multiple children suicide, terminal illness, and many others) also podcasts, webinars, Crossroad Journeys Guidebooks, resources and much more.

Prior to joining MedSend and founding Crossroads Journeys, Laurie was a Private Banking Manager both domestically and internationally. She held positions at EF Hutton, Bank of America and Coutts & Co. Her career was focused on wealth management. However, her life took a dramatic turn due to not only the death of her husband, when her children were one and three, but the tragic death of her six-year-old son, five years later. Those events led her to her current work with MedSend and Crossroads Journeys.

Laurie has a BA in Economics and a BA in Business Administration from Cal State University, a Master of Business Administration (Finance) from City University in London and a Master's degree in Christian Ministry from Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary. She is also an author and has published a book entitled <u>The List: Experiencing God in Extraordinary Adversity</u>. She enjoys speaking to groups.