## Jay Peak - Bio 2023

While serving on a mission's trip to Ethiopia in late 2017, I acknowledged what God had been asking for several years, step into full-time mission work. My focus: 1) proclaim Christ, 2) love those who don't know Jesus, and 3) minister to and mobilize those in my network through faithful living and a challenge to "GO." So, as 2018 began, I became a missionary with the international, short term mission organization SOS Adventure.

**On Mission.** To begin my missionary career, I held roles leading humanitarian teams for SOS Aid and raising funds for different projects. Since the start of 2020, my charge has been to shepherd organization-wide projects such as missionary expansion, the development of an evangelism internship program, and process efficiency. Oversight of logistics operations in the field — ensuring missionary teams are cared for and ready to serve — occupies the other half of my brain.

**Past**. Before heeding the missionary call, I thrived in a career as a newspaper marketer, then a national non-profit organization leader.

**Family**. My wife, Barbara, and I are parents to two grown children, Austin and Jonah.

**Education**. B.A from Western Colorado University and an M.B.A. from the University of Miami.

**Rewards**. Watching God touch people in unique, life-changing ways. Mentoring missionaries as they start building a financial support base. Seeing the light in a young African's eyes as they learn to serve.

**SOS Adventure**, based in Buford, Georgia, is a Christian organization that mobilizes people for a short-term mission experience that allows them to help transform cities with the love of Jesus and the proclamation of the Gospel. The short-term teams serve evangelistic roles supporting kids and street ministry efforts, compassion ministry, and mega festivals. SOS Adventure festivals usually draw tens of thousands over five days, with thousands professing faith in Jesus.

Teams often include 100+ missionaries who return home, changed and energized to make a difference in their community and world.

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