

## **FGBMFI... HOW IT ALL BEGAN!**

In the early 1900's... led by God, the Shakarian family escaped the Holocaust in Armenia and made their home in Downey, California where they started a 20-Acre dairy with three cows.

Faith in God, good judgment and hard work eventually multiplied that first little herd one-thousand fold, until in 1943 the Shakarian herd had reached three thousand, the largest private dairy in the United States at that time.



In 1953, inspired by God, Demos Shakarian started FGBMFI as one small chapter of businessmen meeting every week in Clifton's Cafeteria in Los Angeles, California.

In the 1950's, chapters began to spring up all over the United States.

The organization truly became "International" in the 1960's, as FGBMFI began to conduct "Airlifts" to other countries.



In this new millennium, FGBMFI has become one of the largest Christian businessmen networks in the world. From the Americas to China, from the Middle East to Africa... and beyond, FGBMFI is leading tens of thousands, even millions to a new and better life. Cities and nations are being changed for the good, one life at a time - a true grass roots effort.

## **JOIN A LOCAL CHAPTER**

**"The great work of the entire Fellowship will undoubtedly be done through its local chapters." – FGBMFI Constitution**

The member is the most important person in the Fellowship and the work of their local chapter is the primary plan of action in their city.

FGBMFI is truly a grass roots effort, yet with a global scope. This ultimately benefits each and every member. The strategy requires every member doing their part through their local chapter to impact their city. All the while, the member and chapter have the strength and influence of the international organization behind them in support.

**The goal is to cover the world with the love of God – person by person and city by city.**

***YOU'RE INVITED!***

***JOIN US AT THIS  
LOCAL FGBMFI CHAPTER***

***Chapter Location:***

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***Chapter Meeting Day & Time:***

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***SEE YOU THERE!***

**THE LARGEST CHRISTIAN  
BUSINESS FELLOWSHIP  
IN THE WORLD**



**ESTABLISHED 1953  
IN THE UNITED STATES**

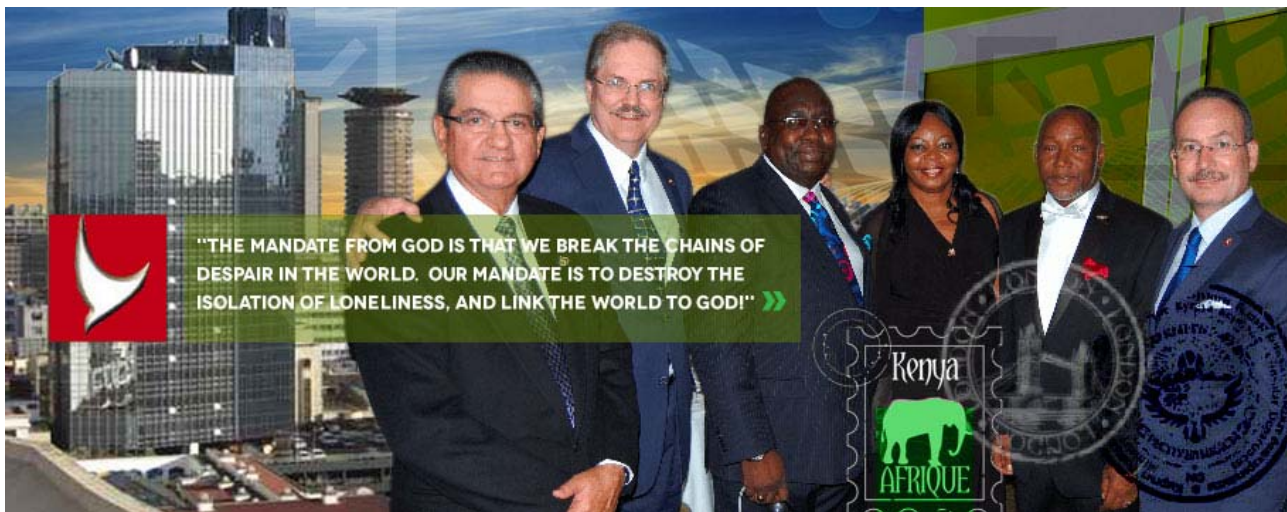
**142 NATIONS  
7,000 CHAPTERS**



**JOIN A GRASSROOTS EFFORT  
THAT IS TRANSFORMING  
CITIES & NATIONS**

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## OUR MISSION

**We connect people with opportunities to:**

- 1) **reach out and help others find a better life.**
- 2) **work together to build better communities.**

We do this by:

### **Calling people back to God...**

*there is a better life by following Jesus Christ.*

### **Promoting integrity & good character...**

*being a reflection of God to our world.*

### **Participating in God's good work...**

*releasing gifts, talents and resources to help others.*

### **Working together to build better cities & nations...**

*impacting our leaders and our culture.*

### **Taking the message of God's love to every family...**

*a true grass roots effort that is changing the world.*

## OUR VISION & VALUES

**We see business people on every continent working together to transform their communities, cities and nations.**

### 7 CORE VALUES

#### LOVE

*sacrificing for the good of others...*

#### INTEGRITY

*choosing to do the right thing...*

#### RELATIONSHIP

*value people above all other things...*

#### COMMITMENT

*no obstacle is too great, never give up...*

#### NETWORKING

*opportunities are born by reaching out to others...*

#### TRAINING

*equipped for every good work...*

#### TRANSFORMING

*making this world a better place by God's power...*

*Love  
Is Shaking Up  
the Business  
World!*



Richard Shakarian  
International President

It is our destiny to reveal God's love in every business center, government center and university... every nation, every city and crossroads of the world. People of faith, bring the uplifting message of God's love... reaching out, helping, encouraging and lifting people to a better life.

As a member of FGBMFI, you are the very heart and center of this great fellowship. Qualities of leadership will grow in your life as you grow in FGBMFI.

"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden." MATT 5: 14-16

You are part of the spiritual transformation sweeping the world. Today, people in the marketplace, just like the disciples of old, are letting the light of Christ shine to their world.

Several million people are receiving spiritual encouragement, and finding Christ each year.

Let there be light! On every block, in every city of every nation... until the darkness is dispelled by the light. Men and women of faith, meeting and working together, shining with God's glory, bringing God's love to their cities.

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