
Those in Support of Our Calling

Tychicus, faithful men, and the fellowship of the Mystery

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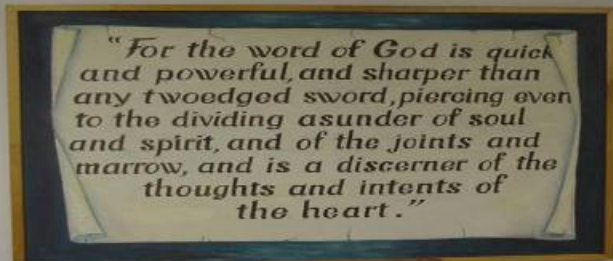


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**Mac & Peggy McLain at Bill & Kathy
Champion's wedding
May 23, 1987**



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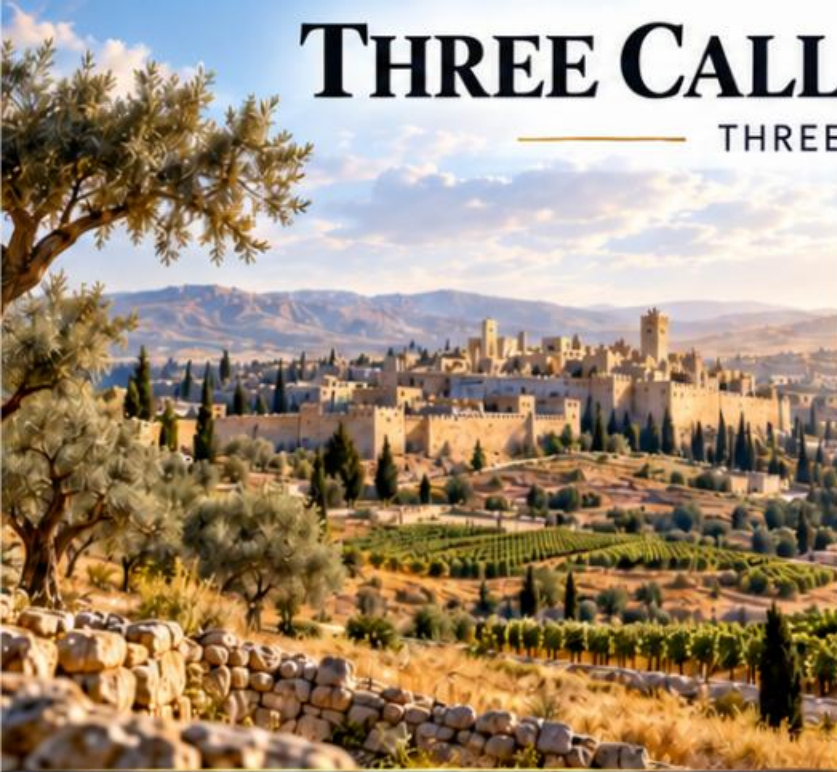
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Our Calling

Know it. Walk worthy of it. Press toward its prize.

THREE CALLINGS — THREE SPHERES OF BLESSING

THREE DISTINCT CALLINGS • THREE DISTINCT DESTINIES



EARTH

THE KINGDOM

THOSE CALLED:

ABRAHAM, ISAAC AND JACOB — ISRAEL

PROMISE:

EARTH AND AN EARTHLY KINGDOM

SCRIPTURES:

Genesis 12:1–3; 13:14–15 • Matthew 5:5; 6:10



HEAVENLY CITY

NEW JERUSALEM

THOSE CALLED:

ABRAHAM'S BELIEVING SEED

PROMISE:

THE HEAVENLY JERUSALEM — NEW JERUSALEM

THE HEAVENLY CALLING REALIZED ON EARTH

SCRIPTURES:

Hebrews 3:1; 11:10, 16; 12:22–23 • Revelation 21:2; 9–10



FAR ABOVE ALL

THE MYSTERY — THE ONE BODY

THOSE CALLED:

THE CHURCH WHICH IS HIS BODY

PROMISE:

SEATED IN HEAVENLY PLACES

THE MYSTERY CALLING WAS HID IN GOD

SCRIPTURES:

Ephesians 1:3; 2:6; 3:9; 4:10 • Colossians 1:24–26

RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD RECOGNIZES EACH CALLING IN ITS PROPER SPHERE

PAUL'S TWO MINISTRIES

THE REVEALED PLAN

THE HIDDEN PURPOSE

FIRST MINISTRY

ACTS 1–28

TO ISRAEL FIRST ... AND THE GENTILES

- The risen Christ and the Kingdom (Acts 1:3)
- Israel's hope and repentance (Acts 3:19–21)
- Ministry primarily to the Jews, then Gentiles included to provoke (Rom. 11:11)
- Culminates with Paul's arrest and appeal to Caesar

ACTS 28

A DIVINE
TRANSITION

*From the
Kingdom of God
to the Mystery ...
from the revealed
plan to the
hidden purpose.*

SECOND MINISTRY

EPHESIANS – 2 TIMOTHY

THE MYSTERY REVEALED

- A new stewardship given to Paul (Eph. 3:2, 9)
- Not the Kingdom of God, but the Kingdom of His dear Son (Col. 1:13)
- Written from imprisonment (Eph. 3:1; 4:1; 6:20; Col. 4:3, 18)
- The heavenly places in Christ (Eph. 1:3; 2:6)
- A new creation—not evolution; one new man (Eph. 2:15)

FIRST MINISTRY JOURNEYS

ACTS 13–28



ARREST
APPEAL
VOYAGE
ROME

ACTS 28

PRISON EPISTLES WRITTEN FROM ROME



THE KINGDOM
ISRAEL'S HOPE
Acts 1:3, 6



PUBLIC MINISTRY
TO ISRAEL FIRST
Acts 3:19–21



ESTABLISHING
ASSEMBLIES
Acts 14:22–23



THE MYSTERY
REVEALED
Eph. 3:2, 9



THE BODY OF CHRIST
ONE NEW MAN
Eph. 2:15



HEAVENLY PLACES
IN CHRIST
Eph. 1:3; 2:6

The Mystery calling was hidden in God

It was not a previous calling enlarged or improved. It was a secret revealed in its own time.



“And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:”

EPHESIANS 3:9 KJV

This calling has to be revealed

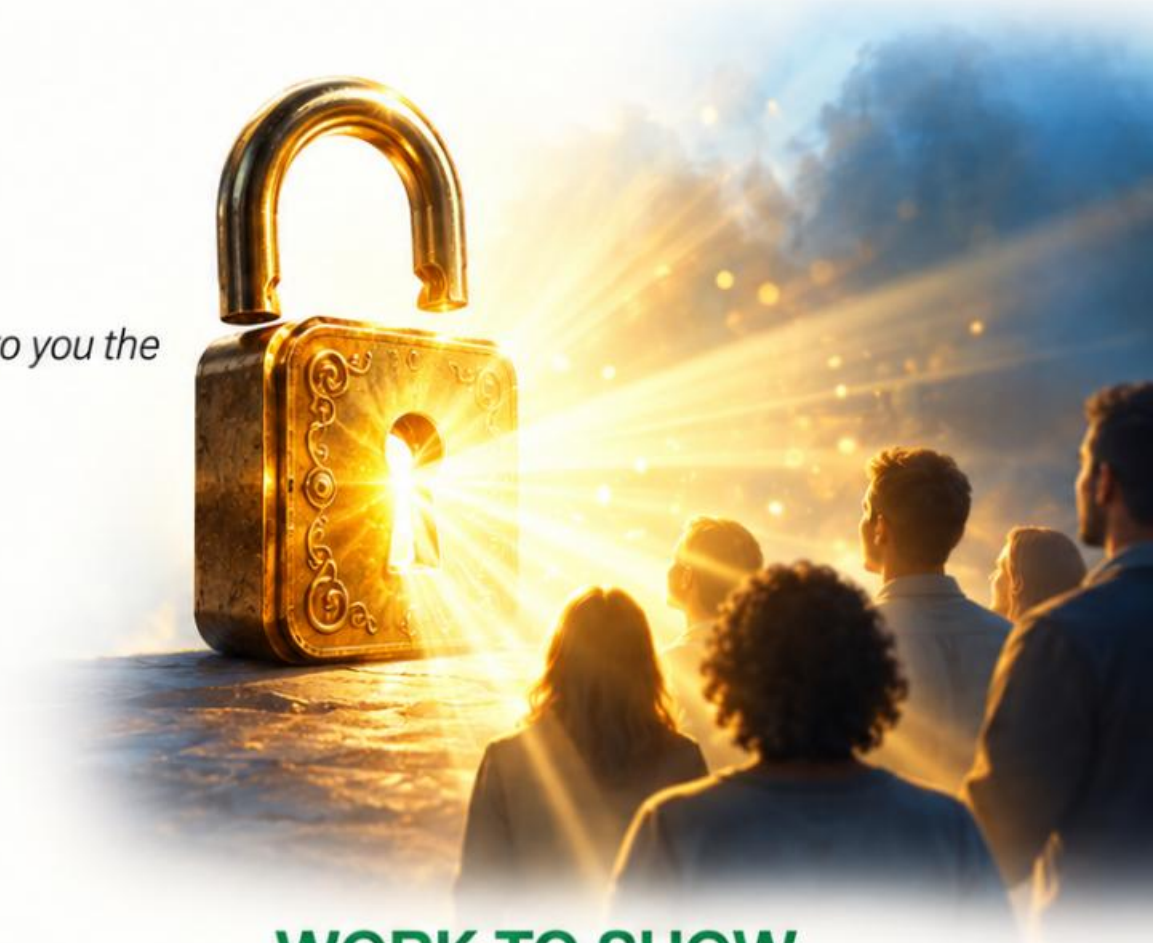
PAul prays for revelation. Our calling is to help others see.

"That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation... The eyes of your understanding being enlightened..."

Ephesians 1:17–18 KJV

"And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery..."

Ephesians 3:9 KJV



**WORK TO SHOW
PRAY TO BE REVEALED**

The calling becomes our walk

ONE HOPE

There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling.

Ephesians 4:4 KJV

WALK WORTHY

I therefore...beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called.

Ephesians 4:1 KJV

High in direction. Holy in character.

HIGH CALLING

I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:14 KJV

HOLY CALLING

Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace...

2 Timothy 1:9 KJV

Faithful servants help people see

We can faithfully teach, preserve, publish, and point people to the Scriptures. God gives the sight.

- PAul — received and proclaimed the revelation. **Ephesians 3:2–3; Colossians 1:25–26 KJV**
- Faithful helpers — carried, communicated, comforted, and supported the work. **Ephesians 6:21–22; Colossians 4:7–8 KJV**
- The hearer — needs the eyes of understanding enlightened. **Ephesians 1:18 KJV**

SUPPORT
THE
CALLING

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Why Tychicus caught my attention

As PAul was bringing his ministry to a close, he put faithful, available people in place who would continue teaching others what this calling means.

2 Timothy 2:2; 2 Timothy 4:6–12 KJV

I first noticed Tychicus near the end of PAul's ministry

PAul was facing departure and placing faithful people where the work required.

- “For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.”

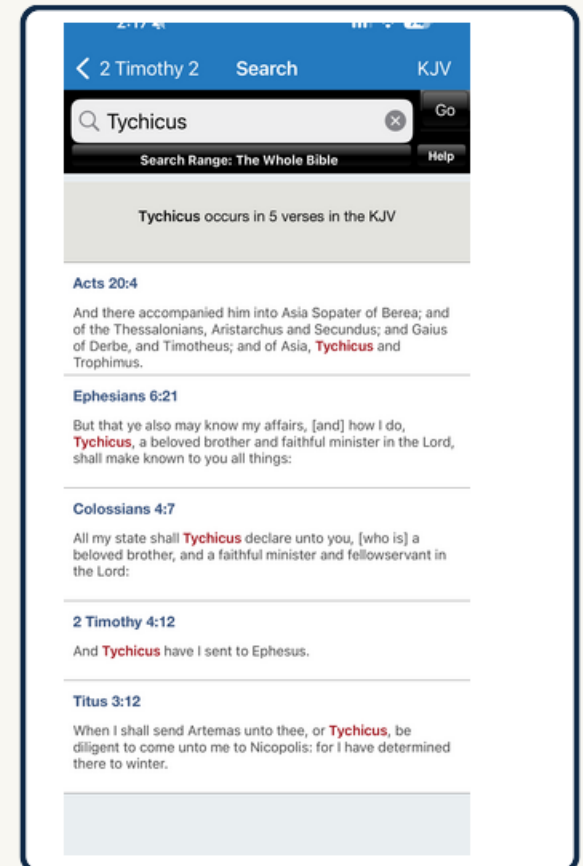
2 Timothy 4:6 KJV

- In that same final chapter, PAul writes: “And Tychicus have I sent to Ephesus.”

2 Timothy 4:12 KJV

- Ephesus was where Timothy was carrying out this ministry. Timothy and Tychicus served there together faithfully.

1 Timothy 1:3; 2 Timothy 4:12 KJV



*“Tychicus, a beloved brother,
and a faithful minister
and fellowservant in the Lord,
shall make known unto you
all things.”*

Ephesians 6:21 (KJV)

TYCHICUS

A FAITHFUL COMPANION

■ A trusted companion

Traveled with Paul before
and after Acts 28
(*Col 4:7, Eph 6:21*)

■ A faithful messenger

Carried important letters
to the churches
(*Eph 6:21, Col 4:7–8*)

■ A reliable representative

Sent to Ephesus with
clear instructions
(*2 Tim 4:12*)

■ A servant of the churches

Known and received
by the believers
(*Eph 6:21, Col 4:7*)

■ A picture of second-tier support

Essential to ministry,
though rarely in the spotlight



Tychicus's First Appearance in Scripture Was in the Previous Calling!

“And there accompanied him into Asia Sopater of Berea; and of the Thessalonians, Aristarchus and Secundus; and Gaius of Derbe, and Timotheus; and of Asia, Tychicus and Trophimus.”

ACTS 20:4 KJV

PAUL'S SUPPORT TEAM

— FAITHFUL SERVANTS HELP PEOPLE SEE —

SOPATER

BEREA

ARISTARCHUS

THESSALONICA

SECUNDUS

THESSALONICA

GAIUS

DERBE

TYCHICUS

ASIA

TROPHIMUS

ASIA

“THESE ACCOMPANIED HIM INTO ASIA”

— ACTS 20:4 KJV —

GREECE

TROAS

ASIA

FAITHFUL • AVAILABLE • TEACHABLE

— THE WORK ADVANCES THROUGH THOSE WHO FAITHFULLY GO WITH THE CALLING —

A faithful fellowservant

SENT TO EPHEBUS

“But that ye also may know my affairs, and how I do, Tychicus, a beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, shall make known to you all things...that he might comfort your hearts.”

Ephesians 6:21–22 KJV

A FAITHFUL FELLOWSERVANT

“All my state shall Tychicus declare unto you, who is a beloved brother, and a faithful minister and fellowservant in the Lord...that he might comfort your hearts;”

Colossians 4:7–8 KJV

PAul's words reveal the man

Tychicus is remembered by his relationship, reliability, and service.

- **BELOVED BROTHER** — trusted in relationship. **Ephesians 6:21; Colossians 4:7 KJV**
- **FAITHFUL MINISTER** — dependable in responsibility. **Ephesians 6:21; Colossians 4:7 KJV**
- **FELLOWSERVANT** — sharing the burden in the Lord. **Colossians 4:7 KJV**

Tychicus served faithfully across both callings

PREVIOUS CALLING

Tychicus appears among Paul's trusted companions before Acts 28.

Acts 20:4 KJV

MYSTERY AND FINAL MINISTRY

PAul calls Tychicus a beloved brother, faithful minister, and fellowservant. He sends him to Ephesus and considers sending him to Crete.

Ephesians 6:21–22; Colossians 4:7–8; 2 Timothy 4:12; Titus 3:12 KJV

The Companion Bible on Tychicus

Bullinger's notes connect all five passages and clarify Tychicus's trusted service

Passage	Companion Bible note
Acts 20:4 KJV	With Paul in both Roman imprisonments; twice sent to Ephesus; probably an Ephesian.
Ephesians 6:21 KJV	Associated with Trophimus and probably Ephesian; called the beloved brother and faithful minister.
Colossians 4:7 KJV	A beloved brother, faithful minister, and fellowservant in the Lord.
Titus 3:12 KJV	Cross-references the other four passages; Paul may send Tychicus to Crete.
2 Timothy 4:12 KJV	Tychicus I sent to Ephesus. Bullinger contrasts him with Crescens and Titus, who are not expressly said to have been sent.

Source: The Companion Bible, E. W. Bullinger, notes on the five Tychicus passages

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Not Everyone Stood with PAul

Support could be withdrawn, resisted, or turned against the truth.

Demas deserted; Alexander resisted

DEMAS — WITHDREW

Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world.

2 Timothy 4:10 KJV

A former fellowlabourer failed to finish faithfully.

ALEXANDER — OPPOSED

Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil...and hath greatly withstood our words.

2 Timothy 4:14-15 KJV

Withdrawal and doctrinal harm

SUPPORT WITHDRAWN

Phygellus and Hermogenes are named among those in Asia who turned away from PAul.

2 Timothy 1:15 KJV

TRUTH CORRUPTED

Hymenaeus and Philetus said the resurrection was past already and overthrew the faith of some.

2 Timothy 2:17-18 KJV

PAul distinguished weakness from opposition

His response combined truth, protection, judgment, and mercy.

- **DEMAS** — PAul stated the painful fact. **2 Timothy 4:10 KJV**
- **ALEXANDER** — PAul warned Timothy and left judgment to the Lord. **2 Timothy 4:14–15 KJV**
- **ABSENT FRIENDS** — PAul prayed it would not be laid to their charge. **2 Timothy 4:16 KJV**

**WARN
WITH
GRACE**

04

Faithful Men Carry It Forward

The calling advances when truth is committed to people who can teach others also.

Commit the truth to faithful men

“Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.”

2 TIMOTHY 2:1-2 KJV

A good soldier remains available

*“Thou therefore endure hardness,
as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.
No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life;
that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.”*

2 TIMOTHY 2:3-4 KJV

Are you a F.A.T. man?

Faithful • Available • Teachable

- FAITHFUL — trusted to receive and preserve truth.
- AVAILABLE — ready to serve without entanglement.
- TEACHABLE — receiving truth before teaching others.

F.A.T.

Truth travels through faithful people

Four generations appear in one verse.

- **PAul** entrusted what he had received.
- **TIMOTHY** heard it among many witnesses.
- **FAITHFUL MEN** teach others also.

“And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.”

2 Timothy 2:2 KJV

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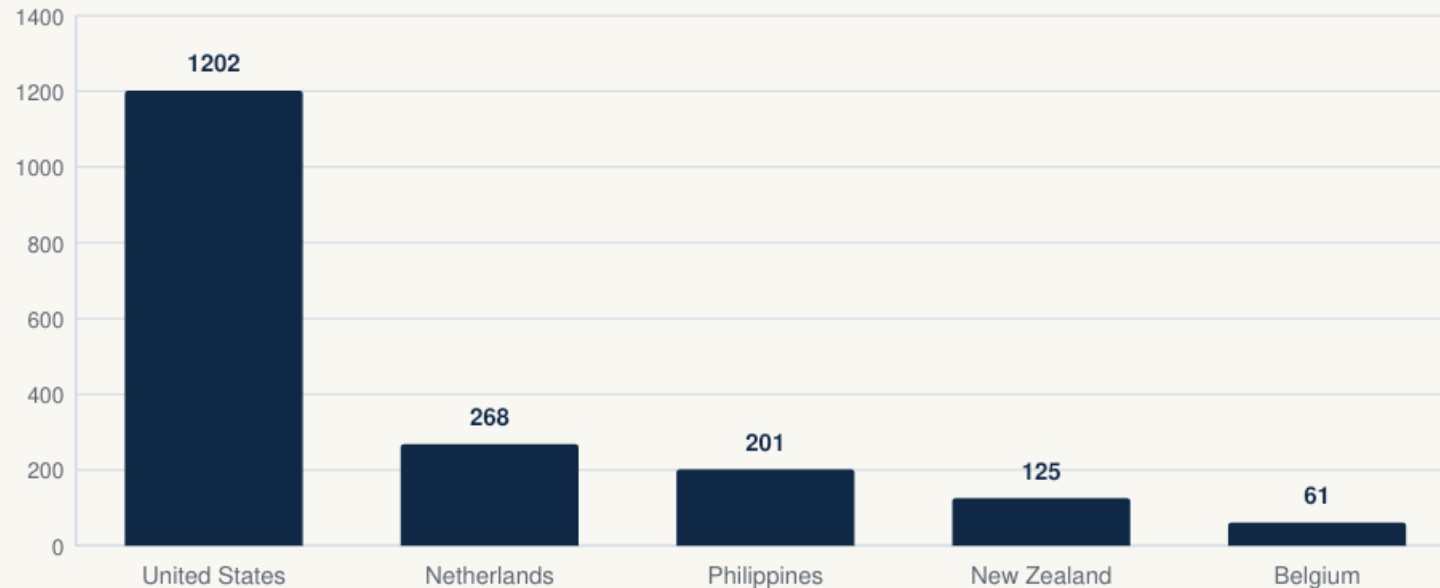
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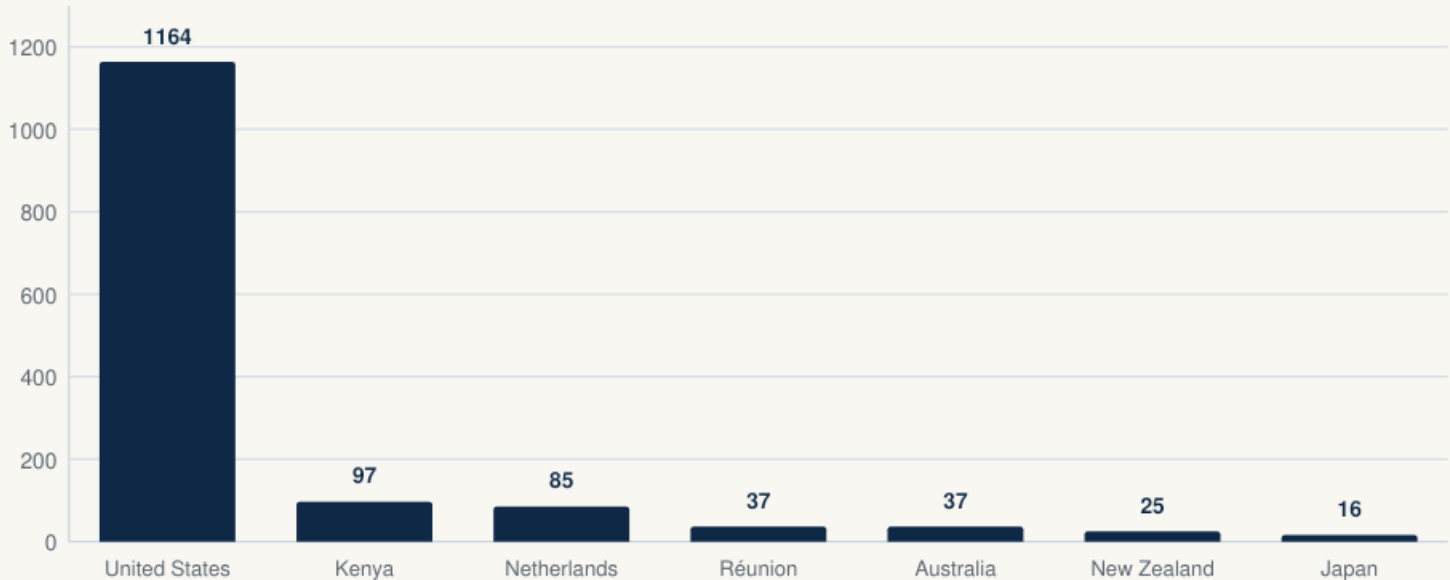
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