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A3 Appoints Janelle Stoops as New U.S. President

[La Palma, California, USA] — January 12, 2026 A3 is pleased to announce the appointment of **Janelle Stoops** as its new **U.S. President**, effective January 23, 2026. Janelle brings a wealth of experience in global missions leadership, organizational strategy, and cross-cultural engagement, making her uniquely qualified to lead A3's U.S. ministry into its next chapter of growth and impact.

As U.S. President, Janelle will serve as the chief leader of A3's U.S. operations by overseeing staff and donor development, as well as closely collaborating with our CEO, Joe Handley, in board engagement and contributing to the global leadership team. Her focus will be on advancing A3's mission of **equipping Christ's servant leaders to bring Spirit-led change and transform communities across the globe.**



Janelle's career spans nearly three decades of leadership in global mission organizations. Most recently, she served on the **U.S. Director Team of Frontiers USA**, where she oversaw 140 staff and 600 field workers, spearheaded organizational change initiatives, and launched innovative strategies, including AI integration for staff development. Her experience includes strategic leadership roles, multicultural team development, and pioneering mission efforts in Central Asia. Janelle holds an **M.A. in Organizational Leadership from Regent University** and a **B.A. in Communication Studies from UCLA**, graduating with honors.

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Janelle is known for her **joyful collaboration, cultural agility, and commitment to clarity in complex environments**. As a marathon runner, she brings endurance and discipline to every endeavor. Her influence extends beyond organizational leadership into thought leadership, having contributed to the book *Leading Well in Times of Disruption* and authored articles such as "Wielding AI Tools with Wisdom" in Mission Frontiers. She is a sought-after speaker at global conferences, including Urbana Student Missions Conference, MissioNexus, and Grand Canyon University, and serves on boards and advisory teams dedicated to leadership development and missions.

Joe Handley, A3's Global CEO, shared his enthusiasm for Janelle's appointment:

"Janelle embodies the vision and values of A3. I've known Janelle since 1998, and her proven leadership, deep commitment to Christ, and passion for equipping leaders globally make her the ideal person to guide our U.S. ministry. We are thrilled to create this position and welcome her to the team and look forward to the impact she will have in advancing A3's mission."

About A3

A3 is a global leader development organization committed to **equipping Christ-centered leaders to bring Spirit-led change, accelerate movements, and transform communities**. With a focus on relational, transformational leadership, A3 works in over 25 countries across the world to strengthen leaders who will bring hope and renewal to their regions. Learn more at www.a3.co and www.a3leaders.org. For more info about Janelle, see her A3 staff profile here: www.a3leaders.org/stoops

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