



May 14, 2026

To Whom It May Concern,

RE: Letter of Endorsement for John & Francoise Ronel and Abundant Relief Mission, Inc. (ARM)

I first met Pastor John Ronel, his wife, Francoise, and their children after they had already begun serving African immigrants in Wichita in 2016. They planted the first African immigrant church that I was aware of in our city, naming it the Oaks Fellowship Church. The practical and spiritual needs of our African brothers and sisters immigrating here from several places in East Africa were very great, and John and Francoise saw this need and stepped up to meet it.

I was the Pastor of Missions at Eastminster at the time we met the Ronel's, and we were impressed by John and Francoise's dedication. They gave of themselves very sacrificially to serve the needs of the diverse African immigrant community. Upon seeing this, Eastminster offered to come alongside the Ronel's in their work, forming our own Refugee/Immigrant Outreach Team. We were privileged to work with and support the Oaks Fellowship Church for many years in partnership with the Heart of Kansas Southern Baptist Association (HOKSBA). For over a year The Oaks met on our campus until they were able to secure meeting space of their own through the help of HOKSBA.

Seeing genuine needs in our community and working to meet them is a consistent theme of the Ronel's. They are continuing to invest their lives in God's kingdom work through the work of Abundant Relief Mission. I encourage you to support them in every possible way, extending the kingdom of God with them through their work. I assure you they will utilize any resources you can share with utmost integrity, accountability, and joy.

Sincerely,

Michael L. Goolsby
Associate Pastor