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Jim and Sue both grew up in California and met at Westmont College. They first worked as Bible teachers in Ghana from 1972-74 with SIM, then Jim went to the Biblical Seminary in Fresno. Sue received her MA in Journalism at Wheaton, which she put to use continually through the years editing pastors' leadership magazines, member care newsletters, and other writings. They served with OC beginning in 1976 in the Philippines, then on to Kenya, and then Cyprus. Their ministry in these countries focused on leadership development for national pastors and church leaders. In Cyprus, Jim and Sue served as coordinators of an inter-agency ministry called The Middle East MemberCare Network (MEMC) which provides training, information and resources for cross-cultural ministry groups in that region. They travelled from their base in Cyprus to locations in the Middle East in order to train and encourage workers who serve in member care ministries from various countries and organizations.

In 2014, the DeVries moved back to OC Headquarters in Colorado, where they are now serving as Sr. Assistant to the Dir. of Personnel. They are responsible for helping furloughing missionaries prepare for retirement, reviving OC Alumni communication and encouragement, writing and mentoring in the area of Member Care. Their three daughters continue to serve with Wycliffe, Frontiers, and SIM. They have 10 grandchildren, all of whom speak Portuguese as well as English.