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Dear

I remember someone once saying, "Stay laser focussed on what God has called you to do". At K180 that is our goal... be faithful to His call. Like the two young evangelists in the picture below, we are focussed on that target. And by God's grace, amid the often 'full steam ahead' busy-ness, we are seeing the Gospel reaching more and more people.

I trust that as you read through this newsletter, you will get a glimpse of how your partnership is making a difference in many lives. We are focussed on proclaiming and training, and I am pleased to report strong growth in all areas of ministry.

Within these pages, you can read brief accounts of some of the endeavours K180 has been involved with, plus testimony of the resulting gospel impact. Multiplication has always been a core value for us, but this year we are intentionally giving more emphasis in cultivating deeper roots across our ministry landscape. This means greater investment in our teams across Europe, and indeed, in individual's lives, which in turn leads to wider gospel proclamation and more young evangelists and leaders being raised up for the urgent task ahead of us.



I was so encouraged in Ukraine recently, partnering for the first time with a church in evangelistic ministry, when over 6 days I was pleasantly surprised to 'bump into' 4 History Makers alumni independently. We have invested in History Makers young leaders training for 5+ years in Ukraine. Each one took the initiative to tell me how significant HM had been in their lives. One such person was Olya...

"I was at History Makers in 2011 and it had a huge impact on my life". Olya then proceeded to quote me word for word some of the teaching on finding God's vision for your life. God had spoken to her and the vision was clear. So much so that in September this year she leaves Ukraine and joins with a church planting ministry in Krakow

As we thank you for your partnership, we do want to say a special "thank you" to Dave Jefferis, who has stepped down from being a trustee (since our inception), and handling our finance. Dave, and his wife Anne, have moved away from London to more scenic climes! We are grateful for many years of wisdom and experience, and pray they will know God's rich blessing in this next chapter.

Please note that we have regular email updates from K180 available. These include video testimonies, latest updates, news of evangelistic resources etc. Please email office@k180.org asking to 'Subscribe' if you would like to receive these.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Martin".

TRAINING 'emerging' evangelists...

There is an urgency about the task of Gospel proclamation and the equipping of the Church. Our focus is clear. The need is great. Presently we are engaged with the specific training of proclamation evangelists in both the UK and Spain.

UK (The EEI)

In partnership with the 'Billy Graham Evangelistic Association', we gather together with 'emerging' evangelists twice a year for sharp training on specific themes related to this precious call.

In April our theme was 'The Call of the Evangelist' and in our guest speakers, Jill Garrett and Mark Greenwood, we had two fine teachers shedding much light on this crucial topic. It was a fantastic few days of exploring and affirming the call to preach Christ and Him crucified!



We have since heard of one new outreach ministry being birthed, at least in part as a result of our meeting in April. More people hearing the Gospel...

Spain (Red Timoteo)



As with most of Europe, the need is great in Spain. There are literally thousands of towns and villages without any evangelical witness. Red Timoteo (Timothy Network) was birthed out of the UK EEI and our training in March represented year 2 of this new endeavor.

Our focus for these few days was communication and particularly exploring the 'how to' of preaching the gospel. Our time together included an opportunity for each young evangelist to preach a 5 minute message to be evaluated by the rest of the group. Not easy preaching in front of your peers!

As with all our training, it is not just about the training event, but the journey of running alongside these young evangelists. To that end, each evangelist has a personal mentor, and between retreats we continue to help develop the gifting within each one. Since April each evangelist has been submitting regular recordings of their evangelistic preaching. It has been so encouraging to tangibly see the difference such mentoring is making!

One of these Spanish evangelists joined us on mission in Barcelona – see page 5 – he preached in the open air for the first time. A sizeable crowd stopped with many conversations following. The team ended up praying with at least two people.

Trainees...

We love having trainees with us in London! Wherever possible, we love taking young evangelists on the K180 journey with us, seeking to train, give them experience, and hopefully be a catalyst for future ministry.



Here pictured along with Gareth and myself (from left to right) are Thiago Pedro, Elaine Burdeshaw and Miriam Paszova.

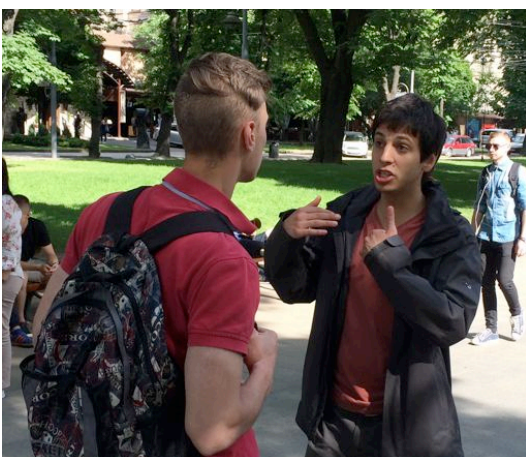
Our London based K180 team have been unquestionably enriched by the presence of these trainees. More about Elaine another time as she has still a few weeks with us, but some words from Thiago and Miriam...

A testimony from Miriam Paszova (Czech Republic)

One Friday night there was another outreach evening outside a railway station where we usually go. Adam (it's not his real name) - a 25-year old man - was one of many people who were passing by, and he also got a flyer. I followed him, touched his arm and asked if he wanted to speak to someone... He was from Poland so we started talking to each other in Polish. It was nice. He said he had been looking for a church and needed a prayer. He has had a very hard life and wanted to commit a suicide a few times. He had come to England so that he could change something but he wasn't able to do that on his own. Afterwards I was talking to him with another co-worker, we were trying to explain him who Jesus was and what He had done for him. Then all three of us knelt down and prayed. He started crying, and received Christ while asking the Lord for forgiveness. My friends, I saw a change in Adam's face after these few moments. He was very thankful to us, but we know we need to praise the Lord. That was HIM we could see at work. He is such a wonderful God! Adam came to an evening service a few times after that.



Miriam using a mirror to introduce the Gospel. What about the inside? What about your heart?



And Thiago Pedro (Brazil)... My time with K180 was absolutely amazing. I've always had the desire to tell people about the hope of life, but at the same time I'd not been bold, straightforward and loving enough. Now after spending 3 months sharing the gospel in different cultural contexts and in innovative ways, God showed to me His faithfulness! The more I stepped out in faith to "go, preach the gospel and make disciples", the more God set me free from fear, hopelessness and anger. I'm grateful that God raised a ministry like K180 to give opportunities for Christians to grow as they share the gospel.

Training on the streets... 5 teams 5 cities at least 5 local churches!

Tbilisi



Further to our first visit to Tbilisi in 2014, a weekly outreach team has been running, proclaiming the gospel faithfully week after week. The team have had the joy of seeing people respond to Christ, and this latest visit was to stand alongside this new team, bringing encouragement and further training!

Warsaw



Local superhero? No, rather team leader Gareth Hides preaching the Gospel by first talking about the masks we can all wear in our life...

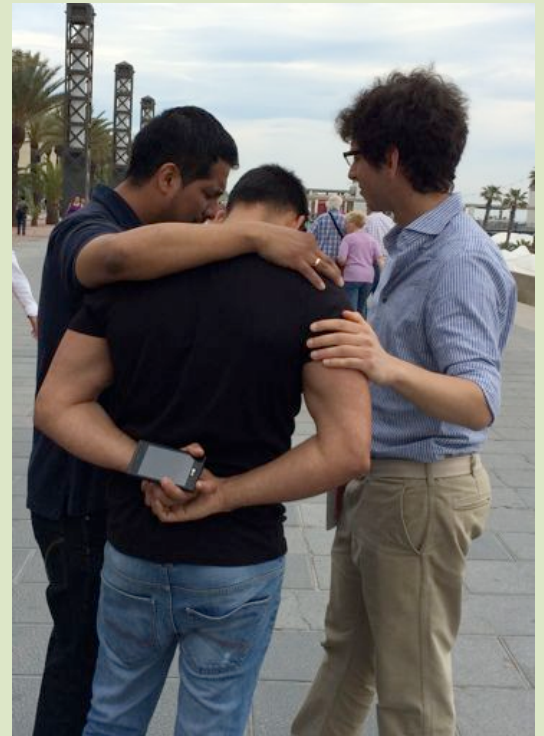
Pecs, near Budapest



And in Barcelona and Lviv, we served alongside local churches as part of the wider Festivals of Hope, run by the BGEA.

Barcelona

Whilst in Barcelona, it was great having a team including both EEI and Red Timoteo evangelists in training. Working alongside a local church, the Gospel was preached and lives challenged! One man who was passing described “a deep conviction” about his sin. There and then he surrendered all to Jesus. Working with the local church enabled an immediate connection to be made and arrangements made for initial discipleship. Praise God!



Lviv, Ukraine

With much unrest and uncertainty in the country, the timing seemed ‘right’ for the Festival of Hope. We found a spiritual openness on the street as we saw several come to Christ and the local church inspired to start a regular street outreach!

Plus over 1000 made a response to Christ during the Festival itself!



In partnership with the 'International Leadership Institute' (www.iliteam.org), we continue to see strong growth with the History Makers initiative in Europe.



Just before Christmas we held our second History Makers European Summit (last one in 2010). It truly was a thrilling time seeing our key leaders from across Europe gather together to dream and plan strategy for the next 4 years...



Ten countries were represented, most led by a History Makers 'Champion'. This is our key team member on the ground in any given country. This person is almost always a national of the country in question, is in their 20s or 30s, and has a passion to see the gospel accelerated through such leadership training. We thank God for this dynamic team whom the Lord is using so powerfully. And we believe there is more to come!

One of the key goals going forward is participating in the ILI global '100 Nations Initiative'...



essentially the vision is to see multiplying alumni teams in 100 countries by 2020. Europe has a key part to play in this and we are full of expectation, particularly given the strong growth of History Makers across this needy continent. Such growth brings good challenges, not least building our team to enable us to effectively run with the vision. We value your prayer as we seek to be faithful to His call.

Iceland

“I am really humbled after this week with History Makers. God is changing my heart in a way I did not expect” (Jonbjorg)

The first ever History Makers in Iceland took place in June at the foot of the infamous volcano, Eyjafjallajokull. It was a brilliant week of exploring Biblical Leadership together. 20 young men and women further equipped to make a difference in a land where, at best, the evangelical population is 5%. Watch this space.



Ukraine

History Makers has featured in Ukraine for 5+ years and we are encouraged by the fruit that is being borne...

Alongside Olya's testimony on the front page...

Joe – alumni from May 2015. He sought me out to tell me how much of an impact HM had for him. He is already multiplying the training in his youth ministry

Olha – HM was life changing for her when she attended around 2010. Not only did she get involved with HM leadership (and receiving the mentoring that comes with it), but is now studying at Bible College

Katya – Her testimony is that HM was transformative. She likewise subsequently got involved with HM leadership in Ukraine and also was able to receive further evangelist training by joining a K180 mission trip soon after. Katya now tours all over Ukraine as part of a Christian band declaring the Good News of Jesus!

There are many more testimonies, stories of transformation and encouragements on our website.

See: www.k180.org/historymakers

Looking ahead...

As always, we are deeply grateful for your partnership in the gospel. We could not press forward in the same manner without the prayer, financial and logistical support that accompany us.

Our vision is nothing less than 'Europe ablaze with the Gospel' and this is where our laser focus rests.

What's ahead?

Some highlights:

- Developing stronger mentoring strategy for deeper multiplication and Gospel growth
- New evangelistic resource for believers – a new type of tract to aid 'everyday' witness
- Launch of 'Christian to the Core' discipleship course
- A minimum of 8 History Makers journeys (retreats) are scheduled before October, including for the first time in Albania and also Switzerland
- And much more – keep an eye on our website for latest news – www.k180.org

How can you help?

First and foremost we seek your prayer cover. We know that the enemy comes only to kill and destroy. We also know that Jesus comes to bring life! Your prayers are not only powerful, but are of great encouragement to the K180 team.

And finance is a necessary part of ministry. We are looking for new financial partners who can stand with us by committing to a monthly gift. Even a small donation really makes a difference!

May we thank you once more for your interest in the ministry of K180.

With our love and blessings in Jesus' Name