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Dear

“How can you say true hope is found in God when all the churches closed their doors?” This was the response I received recently from a middle-aged British man as I engaged him about the Gospel and Jesus being the Hope of the world, even in the midst of a pandemic. He had a point. It has been a dark season for many, and whilst clearly there have been some challenging issues to wrestle with, generally speaking (because there are exceptions!), I am not so sure that history will look too kindly on the reaction of the church during this pandemic.

“We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure” (Hebrews 6:19)

This is an amazing truth! The hope of Jesus - an anchor for the soul. A beautiful image for those in a particularly dark, stormy moment. I am very aware that some of our wider team have faced suffering during the past 18 months, and maybe you have too? There is a sense that sunbeams are now starting to break through the dark pandemic clouds, and that’s great, but the reassuring truth is this... that the sun has always been shining, even if masked for a time. The Son has always been, and will always be there. Here.



Jesus is there in the storm
 (Artwork from one of Gareth’s recent album covers)

I am sure that K180 haven’t got everything ‘right’ as we have navigated the pandemic, but we have sought to be lovingly persistent in holding out the word of life and hope, and to encourage others in their day-to-day witness. In one sense, the pandemic forced us to change the shape of how we conducted ministry, particularly our training initiatives, which could be considered an unavoidable diversion. However, it is clear that the pandemic has also revealed new ministry paths, and we see that there are some very positive things that we can take from these last 18 months or so that will help give a greater dynamic to ministry going forward. You can catch a glimpse of these as you read on.

Thank you for your interest in K180. Our prayer is that you will be encouraged in these days as you press forward in His Name.

Martin

Inside...



Europe Ablaze with the Gospel...

...has been the God-given vision of K180 since He called the ministry into being.

God continues to bless us with opportunities to serve His work across Europe. The pins on the map show the countries where ministry has taken place in the last 6 months, and the work continues in many more. As much ministry activity has taken place online, geographical boundaries have melted away and we have seen training reaching many French-speaking countries outside Europe and, in some cases, this training is already being multiplied. You can read more about how God has been changing lives in the pages that follow.

All this is made possible by the partnership in the gospel of individuals and churches. We are enormously grateful for this and hope that as you read about what God is doing through the work of K180, you will be encouraged to continue to pray, give and go!



The Streets: London Focus

On The Streets Conference

In May, we hosted our first 'On The Streets' conference in Northampton: a gathering for team members from various street outreach teams across London.

Despite being described as a 'conference', On The Streets is designed to be a time of refreshment with fellow evangelists. A time to encourage co-labourers, share updates of what the Lord is doing, seek the Lord's face together, learn from one another and to receive some teaching. At this year's conference, we heard from various speakers on how to continue being faithful in preaching the Gospel.



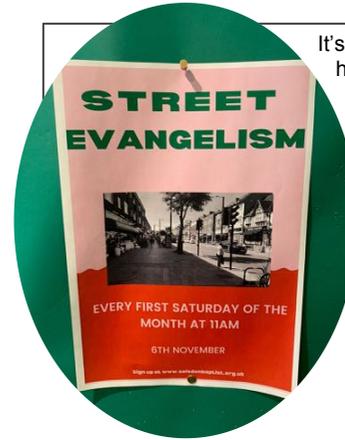
Thank you for organising such a fantastic conference. There was the perfect balance of teaching, testimony, prayer, worship and genuine fellowship. We are stronger as we stand together!
(Susan, participant)

Registration is now open for
On The Streets
4-6 February 2022

www.k180.org/on-the-streets-conference

New / Developing Street Outreaches

It's our joy to partner with churches as they seek to bring God's message of hope and reconciliation to their communities. Recently, we've seen God leading us to make connections with churches throughout London - including South Croydon, Islington, Hackney and Ilford.



Ready for training in South Croydon then out on the street



Ealing Broadway

With a continued emphasis on preaching using illustrated messages and the sharing of testimonies, we've ensured that the name of Jesus is spoken aloud for the people of Ealing Broadway to hear in a location full of distractions that have only increased with the reopening of pubs, clubs and office spaces. But with these reopenings, we've also seen a flurry of people return to the area - especially on Friday evenings. Thankfully then, we've seen the Lord raise up new team members through local connections to meet the growing need. So, we give thanks to God for our dedicated and gifted team and pray that He would equip us all with a greater ability to communicate the Gospel message and defend the faith well in conversation.



On the street in Hackney

We give thanks and praise to God for the recent salvation of a local man in Hackney, which took place within a new outreach in partnership with a local Baptist Church. This was greatly encouraging, as the man admitted he had struggles and was in need of God. Please pray that the local church will be able to get alongside this man and help him grow in these early days of being a disciple of Jesus.



Kschool

Earlier this year, we welcomed two young people to join us for the much-anticipated Kschool 2021, following a year's hiatus due to COVID-19. Open to those aged 18-23, our month-long evangelism summer school is an inspiring, packed-out time of ministry and training engagements, traditionally taking place throughout London and Europe. However, this year's schedule was entirely UK-based due to COVID-19 restrictions at the time. Whilst this meant that we didn't travel to mainland Europe, we were able to seize many evangelistic opportunities afforded to us in and around the UK, including street missions in South Wales and Yorkshire.

"I will definitely be putting my Gospel messages into practice... [And focus on] ...not being afraid to talk to people about Jesus and the Bible."
(Ryan)



"[Kschool taught me that] ...you don't have to be educated, super smart, [or] have a good job [to share the Gospel]... God will speak & work through you."
(Nika)



The Kschoolers, Ryan and Nika, were also given the opportunity to experience evangelism in other forms too, including regular visits to Speakers' Corner and local church outreach teams to see the varied methods by which evangelism might be carried out. They also learnt from several teaching sessions on how to preach using illustrated messages, develop their testimony, and respond to tough questions. We give thanks to God for sending Ryan and Nika to join us here in London and ask that, as they go on with the Lord in what He has next for them He would continue to develop their evangelistic abilities, and help them to explore further the potential calling of the evangelist on their lives.



Planning for Kschool 2022 (1-31 July) is currently underway, and our application form is now live at our website!
www.k180.org/kschool

EEI UK

In September, we were able to hold another EEI residential weekend in Northampton. Our module was "The Evangelist and the Church" and we were joined by speakers Peter Kennelly (OAC Ministries) and Liz Hilton (Generations Church). How does the Evangelist "equip the saints for works of service" (Ephesians 4:12)? How does the Evangelist see others raised up in evangelism and keep a local church focused on reaching out to those who don't know Christ?



"It has been a blessed weekend. I've been inspired, empowered and enlightened."
(Ike, participant)



We are planning another weekend of in-person EEI training from 18-20 March 2022 which will be the start of a new 'cycle' – module 1: The Call of the Evangelist.

EYE Network

We're thrilled to see how God is bringing together different groups, with the same 'EEI' DNA, to train evangelists across Europe. We gathered these groups at our first Behold Europe conference in Barcelona in 2019 and, out of this, the EYE Network (European Young Evangelists) was born. See page 15 for more about Behold Europe 2022, including the rescheduled dates.

We were able to gather many from these groups for a webinar on 2 November with our guest speaker, German evangelist, Roland Werner. Roland brought much experience and has a passion to see evangelists equipped and a lost continent won to Jesus. He spoke about the key challenges that lay ahead for the evangelist in Europe as we face the unfinished task of proclaiming the Gospel to every person. We had 130+ participants from 15 countries for this time of equipping and encouragement.

Launching in February, we are pioneering an online EEI training for young evangelists across the French-speaking world.
www.k180.org/rjef



For more information about the EYE Network, please visit www.eye-network.org

Training Young Leaders for Gospel Ministry

It is a great privilege for us to be running alongside young leaders as, in partnership with local churches, we seek to equip leaders and spread the Gospel. One of the good things to come out of the pandemic is the growth of the online training option. Whilst we would still say this is 'second best' to in-person training, there are clearly advantages to the online offering. Looking ahead to 2022 and beyond, History Makers will undoubtedly continue with an online component.

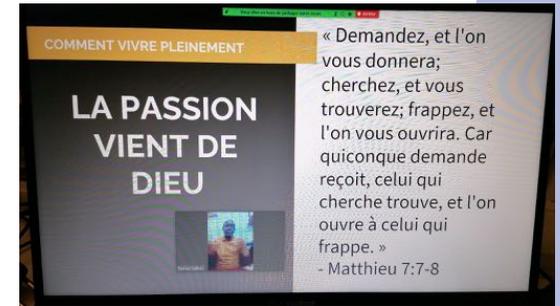
It has been heart-warming indeed to see some **in-person training** starting to take place...

In Poland the team have adopted a **'hybrid'** approach to training; two residential weekends with online training in between. It is proving a good model!

"The most important for me was that I understood that I'm a leader and that running away from it is not fulfilling God's will, not developing the talent and shirking the responsibility that I received from God."
(Kamil, Poland)

And we have had **in-person training** in the Czech Republic, Romania, Turkey and in one undisclosed country on the eastern reaches of Europe.

Our **online training** has generally been centred around language, with training during these last months in English, French and Russian drawing in participants from across Europe and beyond.



Patrice, HM graduate from Gabon, teaching at HM Online French on 'Passion for the Harvest'



Poland

"For about 2 years now, I have felt that God is gradually placing me in different situations where I am led to share and encourage the young people in my church. This training has broadened my knowledge and has revived the mission that Jesus has put in my heart and has equipped me more. Thank you very much for this training. Be blessed abundantly. Thank you for existing!"
(Ravaka, France - Online French)



"I was advised to join the History Makers course by my Pastor, at the time I was struggling massively with my mental health, the History Makers course has helped by reminding me how much I love evangelism and giving me lots of useful ways to be more intentional and more effective as I move forward on my walk with Jesus"
(Andy, UK - Online English)



Czech Republic



Romania

"I had already started the creation of a Christian blog with divine inspiration, but I was able to deepen my vision and my mission with the help of the SMART goals and the teachings I received throughout this training which allowed me to make a more precise and clearer plan of God's intentions on this beautiful project which is His. I have a better understanding of my mission and how to put it at the service of God and others to bring them to the heart of God. I also have a better understanding of my spiritual gifts and how to use them for the greater glory of God! God is opening doors for me and I can clearly see His hand on me and on this Christian blog project which is His project in using my talents, my teaching profession, my role as a mother and my gifts to bring His Word to bear fruit and thus establish His Kingdom on earth as it is in Heaven. Amen"
(Claudia, Canada - Online French)



The Journey

In some ways it is hard to believe how quickly this year has passed and that we are nearing the end of our 'official' 12-month partnership with Brentford Free Church. 'The Journey' is a new initiative where K180 comes alongside a church for 12 months to help further develop the evangelistic culture in the church. This includes, among other things, the placing of a K180 evangelist with the church for the whole year, street ministry, and an opportunity to engage in deeper discipleship. It truly has been a very encouraging year, which is finishing strongly.

"And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains." (Colossians 4:2)

Sharing the Gospel in Brentford High Street



As the church has prayed and been faithful in going out into the community, Gospel doors have opened. Relationships have developed with local people and particularly local businesses (no coincidence given that we felt led to particularly pray and reach out to those in the business community!) and also the boating community, with Brentford having a number of waterways. These open doors have led to the planning of two significant Christmas outreaches - one in a local pub and one in an outdoor public space that will be carols and a Christmas message for all the community. Very exciting.

And looking ahead...

On 1st January, K180 begins a new 12-month partnership with Clapham Baptist Church.

We value your prayers for this new endeavour. May the Lord bring much glory to His Name through this journey.

And the partnership does not end on 31st December (our 12-month commitment). Whilst it may change shape, our commitment is to keep supporting Brentford Free Church as they seek to be 'salt and light' in their community.

K180 Music

New Single: Let the Lower Lights Be Burning

On 5 November, Gareth released his **new single**, which actually isn't so 'new' given that it was originally written in 1871 by American hymn-writer Philip Bliss. Gareth has brought a fresh arrangement to the old hymn as an encouragement to Christians to let their lights be burning so others may see Christ in them and be guided into the harbour of salvation.



Please join us in praying that the song will impact many – as an encouragement to Christians to share Christ, and as a witness to unbelievers.

The single features the vocal talents of Dave Mwaniki ('The Covent Garden Singer' who is also an associate evangelist with OAC) and Revelation Daze (Jenny Raby sings the third verse and her husband Keith plays the bass). Gareth enlisted some other friends and ministry partners to play on the track: Elmar Diener on piano, Manuel Schaban on percussion, and Jun Kwon on acoustic guitar. Thanks to everyone who was part of the new song!



On mission in Italy in 2019
Gareth playing alongside Keith Raby,
Manuel Schaban and Jenny Raby

'Let the Lower Lights Be Burning' is the first single from Gareth's new EP, "Saving Grace", which is due for release early in the new year. A music video was produced for the song, filmed by Ealing outreach team member Jahrhys. You can view this on the K180 YouTube channel.

Why not share the link to the music video with one friend this week?

Concerts

Alongside a planned EP launch (date TBC), we are praying for more opportunities to play evangelistic concerts in 2022. Could your home church host one? If you'd be interested in hosting a concert, send an email to Gareth at gareth@k180.org



A K180 evangelistic concert

And looking ahead...

Gareth continues to work on his evangelistic musical about the life of Philip Bliss (who wrote 'Let the Lower Lights Be Burning') and his wife Lucy. We hope to update you soon on the musical's development in a future newsletter.

Unashamed Course

This autumn, we ran three Unashamed courses on Zoom, in three different languages, to equip believers in their everyday witness. Our French course ran on Tuesday evenings, while our Spanish and English courses ran on Thursdays. Over the three courses, twenty-six people 'graduated'. Although K180's focus remains on Europe, we were delighted to also welcome to our training participants from North America, Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific. The Unashamed Course is certainly impacting the nations for Christ!

Read how four participants are describing the course's impact on their own lives:



"I was richly blessed during these 8 weeks and also encouraged to evangelise."
(Judelvie, France - Unashamed French)

"The course has given me the confidence to speak to people without feeling embarrassed when asked tough questions... Thank you so much K180. Appreciated your training which covers a wide range of topics... I have not stopped talking about the course."
(Anne-Marie, UK - Unashamed English)

"Since the training, I am encouraged not to let my shortcomings keep me from sharing how Jesus changed my life, and why. Now, when I meet someone, I think of it straight away without being insistent either... I share my testimony much more naturally. I am aware of the person I'm talking with but I stay focused."
(Susie, New Caledonia - Unashamed English)

"Thank you very much for this training which goes to the essential and which has refreshed me a lot. Before the Lord I have no more excuses not to start my podcast on the various sensitive topics of our society (theological, political, cultural, and legal from a Christian perspective). Thank you for praying for me."
(Blandine, Canada - Unashamed French)

Looking ahead...

Visit www.k180.org/unashamed-course for more information and click 'Upcoming Courses' to register your interest for the next course in English, French or Spanish.

We are planning another Unashamed French course to run online starting 25 January 2022.

Save the date! **Unashamed+** free webinar on 29 January 2022 - open to all.
See www.k180.org/unashamed for more info

Where are they now?

It has been, and continues to be, a wonderful privilege to invest in the lives of young evangelists, and it has been amazing to see how the Lord continues to bring Gospel impact far and wide through such lives. From time to time we want to highlight the story of former K180 staff/volunteers. Armond was with K180 for a significant length of time and we had many memorable moments together. Here is an update from Armond...

Armond Anderyassian-Aznavoole

"17 years ago God called me to partner with K180 and there I began my equipping for a life-long commitment to take the Gospel where it is most desperately needed and hardest to find. I had always known there was a call on my life to serve long-term among those unreached and it was on a personal prayer retreat on a mountainside in Northern Ireland where God confirmed the call of evangelist on my life and the call to go to those unreached. After 8½ years with K180, that equipping was preparing me and led to a big faith step to serve God in Peru.

My Peruvian wife, Anace, with our children are based in Arequipa, Peru and for the past 6 years I have taken it upon myself to integrate myself into the life and ministry of our local evangelical church "Christians in Action" [translated] and church plant. Here my comprehension of the diversity of Peruvian culture and language grows daily, whilst alongside leadership and believers of the church we disciple and evangelise primarily through outreaches and Bible studies. We also work with orphans and vulnerable children and, for a little over a year now, we have begun a carpentry ministry that looks to both build relationships and equip these children with life-skills whilst also providing beds and cribs for those in poverty.

Our ministry here in the city has also given us opportunities to hold weekly Bible studies with people from different walks of life through the teaching of English. Post-Covid we look to continue this in our home, whilst continuing our open-air outreach ministry in the city and the beginnings of our long-term commitment of working in the mountains that surround Arequipa among various unreached indigenous groups like the Quechua, where syncretism is prominent and there is a desperate need for clear gospel teaching and breakthrough of mystic teachings and practices. It is our prayer that we can help bridge the gap between the local church and reaching those unreached through evangelistic equipping and outreach projects." Armond



We are grateful to God for what the Lord continues in the life of Armond and Anace, and their family. **May we encourage you to consider...**

- ➔ Signing up to receive their occasional email newsletter (you can email Armond at armond248@gmail.com to request this).
- ➔ And perhaps, as you feel led, to consider financially supporting the work in Peru - www.stewardship.org.uk/partners/20220532

Social Media Update

Did you know that K180 are on social media? Whilst we recognise that the Christian response to the use of social media is varied (and we too recognise its potential hazards), we see engaging with it as an opportunity to honour and make the name of Jesus known in an online space which typically, and sadly, dishonours His name. Recently, on our **Junction 316 YouTube channel**, we've sought to advance the Gospel through spreading original, evangelistic content, such as our video series 'The Greatest Message' and 'What Does the Gospel Mean to You?' – both comprised of short, innovative, and accessible explanations of the Gospel message, and real testimonies of how God saves lives.

Why not connect with K180 on social media, and never miss out on all that God is doing in and through the ministry?

Elsewhere on social media (**Facebook & Instagram**), we post regular updates of what God is doing through the ministry, so people might be encouraged and moved to support these various initiatives in prayer. We also make it our aim to inform our supporters of what we're doing to further equip them for the work of Gospel ministry, through the advertisements of upcoming courses (e.g. History Makers, the Unashamed Course) and conferences which we hope will be of great encouragement and service to them.

Where to find us...

-  Facebook @Kerygma180
 -  Instagram @k180team
 -  YouTube Channels Kerygma 180, Junction 316
- and, of course, at our website www.k180.org

Behold Europe 2022

From 11-14 November 2022, young evangelists from across Europe will be gathering in Hintersee, south of Munich, Germany.

An initiative of the EYE Network (European Young Evangelists), Behold Europe will be a time of encouragement, equipping and envisioning. With a clear focus on the proclamation of the Gospel, we will explore together the challenges facing us today in Europe, and be inspired and equipped as we strategically work together with a desire to see true Gospel impact in our day.

We are delighted to welcome Roger Carswell (UK), Roland Werner (Germany), Hélder Favarin (Spain), Paulina Król (Poland) and Artur Penner (Germany) as our speakers. With translation of sessions available in French, German, Italian and Spanish, please join us in praying that this conference will directly result in much fruit across Europe, both in the lives of the evangelists and in people coming to Christ!

Are you aged 18-35 and hear the call to Evangelist?
Or do you know someone that is?
Perhaps Behold Europe is for you?
Visit www.beholdeurope.org for more information or to register

Here's a taste of our first Behold Europe gathering in 2019 near Barcelona, Spain...



"It's been such an incredible weekend... to learn about how God is working in many countries of Europe and to meet new people has been very encouraging... Really impacted by the speakers. We could see in all of them their passion for God and for preaching the good news to the lost."
(Marta, Spain)

"I was renewed by God this weekend."
(Fernando, Portugal)

Looking Ahead...

As you have read, there are shafts of light as we move through this pandemic. With in-person History Makers gatherings in several countries, a regular flow of testimonies from ongoing ministry, and new projects emerging, we look ahead with a sense of eagerness. The need seems to grow deeper day by day, but God is strong. The days have been dark for many, but Jesus is the Light of the world. Many are wrestling with sin, lack of direction and purpose, but in coming to Him we find that we are not defined by our past, but who we are in Christ. Hallelujah!

And so we press on. We have no time to waste. Plans, we trust under His direction, are forming for 2022... to give a taste... training 1000 young leaders across Europe, seeing teams in 2 new countries join the EYE Network as a catalyst for the raising up of evangelists, partnering for 1 year with 3 London churches to help them develop their evangelistic culture, a second cycle of K-Accelerate - advanced mentoring for selected young leaders and evangelists across Europe, and the Gospel faithfully being proclaimed on the streets as new street teams are birthed. Just a taste of where, by God's grace, we are heading.



How To Partner

Thank you for standing with us as we seek to be faithful to His call to make Jesus known. We are thankful to all those who are praying, giving and joining us 'on the ground' as we exercise ministry. We are thankful for your partnership in this precious, life-giving Gospel. As you pray, give, and go, you are on the front line with us. We are thankful to God for such partnership.

Would you consider becoming a partner with K180 by donating monthly toward the ministry? We have a clear sense of where we are heading and I trust, through the pages of this newsletter, you have caught a glimpse of the Gospel impact we are witnessing. We believe there is much more to come as we pursue the vision He has put in our hearts; 'Europe ablaze with the Gospel'. Resources are needed as we press forward, adding to our team, and faithfully seeking to go through the open doors before us. If you would like to know more about how you can be a financial partner and, indeed, see where donations are spent, please visit www.k180.org/donate or feel free to email me directly at martin@k180.org if you would like more information or to discuss further.

Running the race with you!

and the K180 team