

# ETEAMGLOBAL NEWSLETTER



July 2019

## GOD CALLS, WE ANSWER!

We at ETeamGlobal find ourselves waiting upon the Lord as we rejoice over the multiple praises from our labors this year. Praise after praise comes from our many stories of His Good News changing lives and bringing hope, while restoring life and health to many. From Siberia to the heart of Africa and to the plains of Spain, ETG evangelists have enjoyed preaching the Good News of Jesus Christ as Lord, the only Savior of mankind!

We rejoice with those in Spain who, through tears of relief, embraced the forgiveness found in Jesus Christ. We rejoice over the 4000 who found Christ in the heart of Rwanda. But the Gospel isn't just changing lives in distant lands! We rejoice too for the more than 200 children and youth who came to Christ right here in Oregon, through the preaching of two ETeamGlobal Evangelists—Austin Hall and Chris Kingston.

So, **REJOICE** with us as you read on to hear the many stories of new life found in Jesus Christ. Praise be to God Most High!

And as you read, pray as we too pray, for God's clear leadership, direction, and provisions as we desire to steward the opportunities set before us for the remainder of 2019 and into 2020. ETG has been invited to launch new Forum for Evangelists training programs in Russia, Macedonia, and Slovakia. We are prayerfully examining opportunities to expand our training ministry in Nigeria, Kenya, Rwanda, and the US as well.

To step by faith into the opportunities God has given us seems the **ONLY** reasonable act of obedience. What do you think? Will you partner with us? You are invited!! God Calls!! How will you answer?

*Tim Robnett*  
ETG President

## BATTLING DARKNESS IN SPAIN

### 2019 Jerez Festival Shines Light

*Chris Kingston, Evangelist/Assoc. Project Dir.*



While in Spain I was reflecting on the truth of **John 15:7-8**: *If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. By this **My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit**; so, you will be My disciples. This is always so true.*

Thank you for your prayers for the mission as our team of 22 partnered with seven local churches in southern Spain to proclaim Jesus in Jerez and five surrounding towns. We had four people on the team who had never served on a mission before. The team also included members of Dr. Tim Robnett's family, including his wife Sharon, their daughter Karen and her son, their grandson, Corban! It was a real blessing to experience everyone's excitement (and nerves!) while they served the Lord. **Prov. 25:25**: *As cold water to a weary soul, so is good news from a far country.*

We have shared before the challenges to the church in Europe as it is a region that is increasingly turning away from the Lord. But in a week where ETG and our partners (the seven local churches, as well as Reid Saunders Assn.) conducted or supported 14 different outreach events, several thousand lives were touched and at least 160, received Christ, including 21 Muslim refugees! We praise God for all the people whose lives will forever be changed by Jesus being LORD and Savior of their lives.



*Tim teaches in Spain!*

## ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION DINNER

*I want to personally invite you to join us on October 5<sup>th</sup> in Beaverton, OR for our Annual Anniversary Dinner. We will celebrate what the Lord has done through ETG over the past nine years and share what God has laid on our hearts for our TENTH year of ministry, and how he wants to grow ETeamGlobal to serve him for many more years to come!*

**DATE:** Saturday, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>

**WHERE:** Parkside Fellowship  
5755 SW Erickson Ave.,  
Beaverton OR 97005

**WHEN:** 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

To register for the dinner on Oct. 5, please contact Frank Kane at:  
[frank@eteamglobal.org](mailto:frank@eteamglobal.org).



Refugee outreach event.

Our outreach events focused on ministering to refugee groups from 8 different countries, women and children, business people, married couples, city officials, people with addictions, and inmates.

Personally, one of the highlights of our week in Spain was serving with my own family, my wife Laura and our five-year-old son, Mitchell, along with our friend Solomon from our home church, Laurel Community Church. We had the privilege to serve God's Kingdom internationally together and we are so thankful for the opportunity.

**Other moments that impacted me during the week:**

- Sharing the gospel message as it was translated into 3 different languages during one of our outreach events with refugee groups. It was an amazing time sharing the love and hope of Jesus in a setting where many were Muslim, 11 of whom made decisions for Christ.
- Our Soccer Outreach event included a team made up in large part of Muslim men. Ten received Jesus!!
- A last-minute visit to a men's addiction home where 8 out of the 12 men we met received Jesus when the Holy Spirit moved (**2 Cor. 5:17**). In a follow-up visit by myself, Solomon, and Ezekiel (a local pastor), we were able to help disciple them, teaching them basic Christianity truths as new Believers.
- The distribution of more than 200 *Jesus Film* DVD's in 16 different languages, along with hundreds of Spanish bibles. We were also able to give out more than 40 Arabic bibles and over 250 Arabic tracts with the books of Romans and John in their language.



Chris shares at post soccer match affinity dinner.



Chris, Tim and the Spain Team!

In addition to touching the lives of those living in and around Jerez, our ETG team was a source of encouragement to the local pastors we worked with. Through our week of ministry, we were able to model what different types of evangelistic outreaches look like to these pastors and their churches. This could only happen because of the relationships built in the region over the past eight years by Tim Robnett, the ETG staff, and our partners at Reid Saunders Assn.

Our serving time in Spain was powerful! We are so thankful for how Jesus continues to help us grow as we seek Him with all our hearts. Thank you all for your prayers and continued partnership; it takes a team and the One Body of Christ to go faithfully and **bear much fruit** (Jn. 15) all through God's Holy Spirit leading us.

**We praise Jesus!**

**RWANDA FESTIVALS OF HOPE**

Mike Parker, Evangelist/Dir. of Strategic Initiatives

In July, ETeamGlobal partnered with *Global Partnership Ministries* (Gary Losey), *New Life for All* (Nigeria), and *Hope International* (Martha & Bill Wagner) for a two-week mission in Rwanda. Our multi-national team included 28 Nigerians, 1 Ugandan, 1 Kenyan, 8 Americans and 28 Rwandans, as we ministered in five semi-remote mountain villages. Each village had four Nigerians live with them. These evangelists shared the Gospel house-to-house, conducted festivals, and held two-day pastor's conferences in each village. The rest of our group divided up to staff Medical, Eye Glass Clinic, *Jesus Film* and Women/Children's ministry teams that were mobile, spending one day in each village. **These are some of the moments that struck me deeply.**



**A Nigerian Sheik Speaks of Christ**

Two Muslim women in their early thirties heard a former Muslim Sheikh trained in the Koran, Shia Law, and Arabic, share Christ at one of our festivals. Their hearts burned within them as he spoke about Christ. They gave a local pastor a note asking to meet with the Sheikh and myself. In our meeting, both asked questions and then prayed to receive Christ! Since then, each has attended church twice and shared their testimony! Praise the Lord for their courage and pray as they are disciplined by an older woman.



**Reached: 11,180 -- Decisions/Response: 712**

## RWANDA—A PARTNER'S PERSPECTIVE

BILL & MARTHA WAGNER

*Hope Ministries International*

We saw God work in many ways in our 10 days in Rwanda and there was one thing He affirmed once again—God is in control! Despite the barriers and logistical issues, God's work was done.

Martha led ETG's women's and children's ministry team, along with Linda Grimaud. Together, they shared the Gospel during events at local churches and schools. Even with mis-communications and mis-steps, Martha and Linda were able to share with almost 500 women during the course of our ten days in Rwanda! And they rejoice in the fact that 94 responded to the Gospel in some way.

Behind the scenes, Bill worked with Mike Parker and Gary Losey to manage the logistics—pay bills, coordinate lodging, and make sure everyone got to where they were supposed to be! That's a lot of balls in the air, and despite Satan's efforts to derail our efforts, this team was able to keep issues at a minimum and allow our Evangelists and volunteers to share and serve with few distractions. ***So, God is not hampered by coordination issues.***



*Martha and Linda share with local school children*

Overall, it was a great blessing for us to serve on this trip, adding our skills to those of the others to see many come into God's Kingdom. And from the results that were tallied, God did a great work. Not only were physical needs met through the medical and eyeglass clinics, but spiritual needs were met through all the teams who participated in sharing the good news of Jesus Christ.

We look forward to serving the Lord together in the future.

*Martha started Hope Ministries International to provide opportunities to serve the Lord around the world. Bill started joining her the last few years since retiring.*

### "Joy to the World"

Kate, an American team member, and Yop, a Nigerian Children's Evangelist, reached several thousand kids as they shared the Gospel Story during two school assemblies in each village. Kate's impression of these children's response really captures the moment; *"Joy to the World. The Lord has come, let earth prepare Him room."* Kate and Yop's creativity and clarity were so captivating, that at one school, half-way through the message, the children were already raising their hands to accept Christ! One teacher noticed something else, *"You were so united as a multi-cultural team – it was clear you came just for the children."*

**Reached: 4,177 -- Decisions/Response: 1,856**

### "The Lord healed, the Lord Saved!"

Our medical team, much larger than we've had in the past, was much needed as thousands came for treatment. The team included two General Practitioners, a Gynecologist, a Dentist, an Ophthalmologist, and several nurses. There were encouraging stories in each village, but two particularly stood out.

At each village, people were treated and sent to our temporary pharmacy (usually in a church). There they were given a chance to be prayed for and hear about Jesus. One woman came who was deaf and mute, the apparent result of an earlier illness and treatment that went bad. After visiting our clinic, one of our Nigerian pastors shared Christ with her through a book and sign language. **As she prayed and accepted Christ, she could suddenly speak and hear again!** It was such joyous news several family members and friends also gave their lives to Christ!!

The lives of a pregnant woman and her unborn child were likely saved because God, in his perfect timing, brought our medical team to her village. The team had a mobile sonogram unit and it discovered a dangerous complication. She was immediately taken to the nearest hospital where both her life and the life of her baby were saved! Local and national Rwandan officials were informed of the incident, and as a result our mission was viewed with great favor by authorities.

**Reached: 2974 -- Decisions/Responses: 654**

### "Imani Shimwe"

With shouts of Imani Shimwe (Kinya-rwanda for *Praise the Lord*) I had the opportunity to preach the final festival on Sunday. Six local churches invited friends and family to gather in a village square for a community wide worship service. American team member, "Nurse Mae," also shared. It was a powerful, hope-filled testimony that engaged many women's hearts as she spoke of loss and life, dark times and joyful times. This resonated deeply with them.

When I shared the Gospel, we had 17 adults and children respond to a ***life that provides hope and meaning.*** I was shocked when, as three of the older men came forward, kneeled down before the Rwandan pastor and myself to repent, and ask Jesus into their hearts, the crowd broke into low murmur. I was never



able to discover why this mostly Christian crowd reacted like they did but clearly these men's decisions impacted this community. All I can say is, "Amen and thank you Lord!"

In the end, our entire team was in awe of what the Lord did in Rwanda, and these words of the psalmist come to mind— "This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it." Psalm 118: 23-24



**TOTAL REACHED: 24,136 -- DECISIONS/RESPONSES: 4225**

## MISSION PREVIEWS



### Macedonia, 10/11-20

Nathan Walters, Evangelist/  
Assoc. Project Dir.

*And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." Acts 16:9*

Your fervent prayers are requested, as we seek discernment and guidance for a new mission being launched in Northern Macedonia this Fall. Located in the middle of the Balkans, this nation has endured centuries of war and ethnic power struggles.

By God's grace there is a small remnant of believers faithfully demonstrating God's love in this region of least reached people. ETG has been invited to strengthen the ministry of a devoted Nigerian missionary, Jimmy Simon, who has been planting churches in Macedonia for more than 20 years.

ETG's goal will be to support Jimmy's ministry by providing theological and evangelism conferences several times a year, leveraging the Nigeria Forum model that has trained almost 100 evangelists in West Africa. We will also work side by side to learn from one another as we proclaim the gospel through meal evangelism events in rural villages.

**Go big—pray for a faith movement** that produces ethnic reconciliation in Macedonia and beyond!



### Romania/Moldova, 11/22-29

Austin Hall, Evangelist

*Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. Daniel 12:3*

In leading my first mission for ETG, we will travel to northern Romania and Moldova, partnering with Daniel Rus, the Director of Missions in Romania for the Luis Palau Association.

This collaborative mission with LPA's Next Generation Alliance, will also include Derek Kipperberg, a longtime friend of mine and a faithful minister.

We will be intentional in our efforts to meet, train, and encourage, local pastors. Each event will be in a third-party location (prisons, meal events, and schools). Local pastors will be training their teams to invite those who do not know Christ to come and hear a compelling message of "hope." The Mission will have 24 speaking events in 9 cities in 8 days, with the goal of reaching at least 2500 people for Christ.

**Our efforts are motivated by the desire to glorify God.** We must preach the gospel and obey the command to go to the nations to make Disciples of all nations. This is who we are, and what we do as members of ETG!

**2019 PRAYER CONFERENCE  
CALL SCHEDULE:**

- AUGUST 22
- SEPTEMBER 26
- OCTOBER 24
- NOVEMBER 21
- DECEMBER 19

**UPCOMING 2019  
MINISTRY OUTREACHES & EVENTS**

SEPT. 6 – 18	NIGERIA, RUSSIA
OCT. 5	ETG ANNIVERSARY DINNER
OCT. 11–20	MACEDONIA
NOV. 13- DEC. 1	RWANDA/KENYA
NOV. 22–29	ROMANIA/MOLDOVA

