

EMBRACING NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO TRAIN EVANGELISTS

ETeamGlobal Refines & Expands Training Methods

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identifying, affirming, training
and mobilizing evangelists worldwide

The Next Step in our Mission Training the Trainers

Later this year, in Nigeria, ETeamGlobal will introduce a NEW resource in its evangelist training mission. We will host the first ever *Trainer-of-Trainers Masterclass* for national evangelists.

This Masterclass represents the next level of growth and expansion of the evangelist training vision for ETeamGlobal. Once again, we will be working with our longtime ministry partners, **New Life for All**.

We will recruit and train ETG Forum graduates in an initiative to

multiply Forum-modeled training programs across Nigeria and the African continent.

Pray with us as we develop the training courses as well as prayerfully seek Forum graduates to launch and lead these new ETG-modeled Forums throughout Nigeria. Pray too as we seek other countries where these ETG-trained Nigerian evangelists can begin the multiplication process of training evangelists for the churches.



We are targeting September 4th - 7th for the first ever ETeamGlobal Trainer of Trainers Masterclass. Please pray with and for Mike Parker, Chris Kingston and Tim Robnett as they begin the process of developing this advanced course. May God give them His wisdom and grace.



Making What We've Learned Available to Others

Something unusual will happen this Spring and Summer...not one of ETeamGlobal's evangelists will be traveling outside the United States.

God has pressed upon us the need to take time to bring together the lessons and materials ETeamGlobal has developed over 13 years of ministry into a standardized, cohesive set of curriculums and resources for future training efforts, whether led by ETeamGlobal directly or by evan-

gelists trained by ETeamGlobal.

Over the next five months, ETeamGlobal will dedicate itself to praying, editing, improving, expanding, and publishing the lessons and classroom material we have been teaching for over a decade.

These published materials will be used by ETeamGlobal as part of its ongoing mission to **Identify, Train, Affirm and Mobilize** evangelists internationally and in the US through and in partnership with local churches. They will also be a resource that evangelists, who have completed ETeamGlobal's Forum training, can then use to launch their own Forum - modeled classes and train even more evangelists.

The ETG Curriculum Initiative will help our ministry and our partners be more effective and efficient in

training future generations of evangelists around the world!

We would like to invite you partner with us in taking this next step in ETeamGlobal's mission to train evangelists and provide biblically strong materials for future evangelist trainers.



We are raising \$50,000 for the first phase of the Curriculum Initiative, which we hope to have completed by this Fall. Please consider giving to this initiative to develop and print text books and training materials in future evangelist Forums.



A New Forum Launches in Nigeria

Tim Robnett—An amazing group of evangelists assembled at the New Life for All (NLFA) headquarters in Jos, Nigeria last month, launching the start of the 7th Forum for Nigerian Evangelists. It also marked the start of our 13th year partnering with NLFA to train evangelists.

Along with the new cadre of 29 students, three ETG Forum graduates were part of the teaching team. Priscilla Barth, Ezekiel James and Ezekiel Dochomo gave inspirational and biblically sound messages to the new class. ETeam-Global also hosted Songe Chibambo who flew up from South Africa to be a special guest lecturer at the Forum's first session. Praise the Lord for bringing together such a strong class and teaching team.

We praise God too for the special evangelistic outreach dinner for public school teachers on the 14th hosted by Yop Dauda, wife of NLFA's president and a former teacher. Some 67 teachers accepted the invitation from Yop and her former school supervisor to come enjoy a meal and local music. I had

the privilege of sharing a message from the Gospel of John (Ch. 3) on the life of Nicodemus. There was a wonderful response as 19 teachers indicated they had prayed with me as I invited them to repent of their sins and receive Christ Jesus as their Savior. Many others expressed a desire to grow in their spiritual lives and ask for prayer.

Our 7th Forum has started, and we enter our 13th year of Forum partnership with New Life for All.



A fruitful collaboration made possible through your support!



Please keep these new evangelist students in your prayers as they begin two years of Forum training!



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Slovakia's 1st Forum Graduation

Chris Kingston—In 2022, God opened the door for an amazing opportunity, allowing ETeamGlobal to be invited to launch Evangelist Forum training programs in Spain and Slovakia. This March, we celebrated the first graduating class from the Slovakia Forum.

Before graduating, students in the 1st Slovakia Forum for Evangelists completed their final week of course-work, focusing on the theme—*The Evangelist as a Leader*. Once again, Tim, Dr. Roman Baranowski, Dr. Pavle Cekov and I had the privilege of teaching classes.



My personal highlight was the small group discussions, where students not only discussed the daily lessons, they also shared about their own lives. One huge praise, over half of these leaders are in their 30's or early 40's. Some are missionaries, but most are evangelist-pastors. They also represent a range of countries, including Slovakia, N. Macedonia, Ukraine, Germany, and Croatia. One is a missionary from Latin America.

A critical element of the ETeamGlobal Forum is practical application of the training received. For the final session of the 1st Slovakia Forum, 12 students participated



in a street evangelism activity in the town Pezinok.

Four teams spent 2 hours sharing Jesus with those they met and listening to their stories. We were blessed by the God encounter opportunities we experienced that evening.

At the end of the week, 16 evangelists and pastors received certificates with two more set to complete their training later this Fall. We hope to celebrate our first graduating class in Spain later this year as well.

God is doing something very special with these leaders in the Western region of Europe and I'm thankful to call them friends.

In addition to teaching at the Forum, Tim, Roman, and myself were invited to preach at three



different churches on Sunday. I preached at Pastor Stevo's Baptist church. I led a training session and affinity dinner at this church in June 2022 and was excited to be invited back to preach last month.

As we celebrate the graduation of our first Slovakia Forum class, I was reminded of this story. While in Slovakia in June 2022, I shared the Gospel at a rehab center for youths and young men. Seven young men accepted Christ, including Michael, in the center with the white t-shirt.



We've been praying for him ever since and his growth in Christ has been amazing under the discipleship of Pastor Lubol. So much so, that last month, Michael joined the week-long training session for the Forum students!

His story was made possible because of your support! Thank you for the impact you've had on this young man's life!



Helping the Church Grow in Ethiopia

Mike Parker—This past February Dr. Marc Andresen, his wife Carol, and I traveled to Ethiopia



for the final session of the very first Forum for Ethiopia Evangelists and to celebrate our first graduating class. Fifteen students graduated from this first Forum and two more should graduate next year after completing one more session.

The final week leading up to graduation was an amazing time. Each student shared how they are already taking the principles and techniques they learned from the Forum to train other evangelists in their home regions. Filate, the class-elected leader, is one of those already applying his Forum training, *"I have two groups of evangelists I am training using the class material. I have a total of 130 I am working with. We went to a Muslim village and shared Christ and many responded. We now hope to begin a church plant in this village that has never had a church."*

All the Forum students are members of Kale Heywet Church, our ministry partners in Ethiopia. Kale Heywet sees the ETG-led Forum as a key part of their five-year plan to double the size of the church in

Ethiopia. Kale Heywet is already the country's largest evangelical denomination in Ethiopia with about 14 million members attending approximately 12,000 churches around the country.

Many of our graduates are senior regional leaders of Kale Heywet, overseeing anywhere between 500 to 1200 churches in their districts. The importance the national church places on the ETG-led evangelist training program was demonstrated by the attendance and participation of two executive leaders of the church in the graduation ceremonies. And by the church's invitation to stay in Ethiopia and launch the 2nd Forum for Ethiopia Evangelists!

Your support and prayers helped make the 1st Forum for Ethiopia Evangelists so impactful and we

want to share with you the opportunity to continue making an impact in that country. We anticipate the second Ethiopia Forum will begin this Fall.

We are seeking to raise \$20,000 by October to cover materials, travel and other team expenses before the first week-long session begins in late November or early December.

We ask that you prayerfully consider supporting the training of evangelists in Ethiopia. To give, fill out the enclosed card or go to www.eteamglobal.org and click on GIVE.



Where two or more are gathered...

We want to invite you to join our daily prayer calls on Zoom. They happen twice a day, at 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. (Portland, OR time). You can join us every day, once a week, once a month, however is best for you and your needs, you are welcome!

To join us:

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