

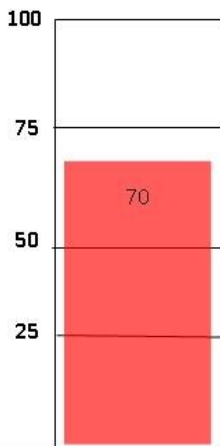


MCL Training Reaches 70th Nation!

FaithLife Ministries reached another milestone recently with our **Management for Church Leaders™**

Reaching the Nations

Our vision is to reach 100 nations with our training. Here is our current progress:



(MCL) training reaching its 70th nation when we trained in the Ukraine in September. Our vision as a ministry is to see our MCL training reach 100 nations so this accomplishment is drawing us closer to the goal God has given to our ministry. Our training has been taught in 34 nations this year, of which 10 are new ones. These new nations include Costa Rica, Bangladesh, Benin, Chad, Thailand, Central African Republic, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Senegal and the Ukraine.

Some of them were reached by me, some by our global trainer network and some through our MCL Self-Training Book.

God has also provided contacts for us in 16 more nations we hope to reach in the next couple of years including Egypt, Romania, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Georgia, Armenia, Lebanon, Haiti, Honduras, Belize, Bolivia, Swaziland, Lesotho, Equatorial Guinea, Hungary & Lithuania.

We praise God for what He alone has done and we pray for the contacts He has provided us with will result in new training opportunities for our ministry in the future. Please pray for this as well so that God's vision for FaithLife Ministries might be accomplished in the next several years.

A New Vision for FaithLife



As we get closer to reaching our current vision of seeing our training taught in 100 nations, it is time for us to start thinking about what comes next for this ministry. While our mission has not changed (*to train and equip church leaders globally*), we need a new vision and a new goal to strive for. But it is not up to us to determine what that goal or vision should be. It is up to God since it is His ministry. So we have begun to pray and ask God what He would have us do in His Son's name to help build His Church here on earth.

Will you join us in praying for that vision from God? We know that God answers prayer and that if you pray with us God will speak to us and provide that vision. We already know He has called us to train and equip church leaders, so now we look to Him for what He would have us accomplish next relative to training and equipping pastors & leaders for His Church.

We will share that new vision with you once God has given it to us. We look forward to the new challenges ahead and continuing to serve Him and His Church through our training ministry around the world in the years to come!

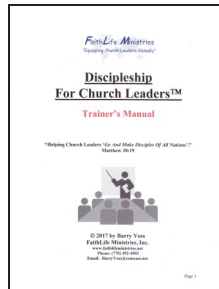
Ukraine MCL Training Conference September 18-20th, Kherson

Barry & Gary Church traveled to the **Ukraine** September 11-22nd to train 16 pastors and church leaders at the **Tavriski Christian Institute** in **Kherson** on our Management for Church Leaders™ training. Barry met the President of the Institute, **Valentin Siniy**, last year at a Global Pastoral Trainers conference in Bangkok, who invited him to come and train Ukrainian pastors and church leaders. The training was very well received and many of the participants, especially the pastors, plan to train others with our training material. The Tavriski Christian Institute also has training programs in Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and Georgia, and we hope to see them train it in these locations as well. We thank the Lord for this training opportunity and pray that He will use it to bless the pastors and churches in the Ukraine!



New Trainer's Manual Added!

In our continuing effort to provide training materials and resources to our global trainer network, we are pleased to announce the release of a new Trainer's manual for our Discipleship For Church Leaders™ training. This training was introduced a few years ago and is available to all of our network trainers to use to train pastors and church leaders on discipleship within the church. This new Trainer's manual includes instructions, notes and illustrations that enable any of our global trainers to teach this training. These Training and Trainer's manuals are currently only available in English.



(Note: We now provide Training and Trainer's manuals for 3 training courses that we currently offer. They include our Management For Church Leaders™ Volume #1 training, our Management For Church Leaders™ Volume #2 training, and our Discipleship For Church Leaders™ training.)

2018 Training in Grenada

We have been invited by **John Lewis, Caribbean Coordinator** for the **GPro Commission**, to come and teach our Management for Church Leaders™ training in St. George's May 7-11th, 2018 to a group of pastors and leaders on the island. John contacted me after reading about our ministry and training through the GPro Commission. We are currently working on details for this trip and hoping that this could lead to more training opportunities in other parts of the Caribbean in the years ahead. *(Kim and I had the privilege of visiting the island of Grenada in 1983 while on a Caribbean cruise. Little did we know then that we would return one day to train pastors and church leaders there!)*



Pray for Ukraine

I had the opportunity to learn more about Ukraine and its people during my recent trip there. The recent revolution in 2014 where they removed their previous President has enabled this nation to move away from Russian influence despite the takeover of Crimea and a good portion of Eastern Ukraine by Russian forces. The Ukrainians want their freedom and independence but until Russia removes itself from Ukrainian territory, or is forced out, their nation will not be able to move forward with its dreams and plans to prosper its people. I saw the beginnings of a growing economy and religious freedom, but there is more to be done. Please pray with me for Ukraine, that Russia will cede the territories it has taken back to the Ukraine, and that the Ukraine will prosper and grow as the Ukrainians desire. To read more about the war in Ukraine, visit <http://dailysignal.com/2017/08/10/truth-war-ukraine/>.



Global MCL Training



Our Global Trainer Network (GTN) has trained **8,610** pastors and church leaders so far in 2017!! Here are some highlights from September - November:

- **Pastor Sam Abraham** from **India** trained **430** pastors and church leaders in 3 locations in northern India.
- **Pastor Samnang Sim** from **Cambodia** trained **230** pastors and church leaders in **Phnom Pehn**.
- **Pastor James Ochwo** from **Uganda** trained **87** pastors and leaders in **Nebbi**.
- **Pastor Suveni Rugaduka** from the **DRC** trained **30** pastors and leaders in **Kasenga**.
- **Ronald Tan**, our newest MCL Trainer from **Singapore**, trained **22** church leaders in **Assam, India**.
- There were 6 trainings being held in late November in **Kenya, Uganda, Cuba** and **Cambodia** for which we are awaiting reports.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Board of Directors

Annual Meeting Report



The FaithLife Ministries Board of Directors met on **Saturday, November 4th** via teleconference to review our activities and accomplishments for 2017, assess our financial status, and approve our strategic plan and budget for 2018. The highlights of our accomplishments for 2017 were reaching 10 new nations with our MCL training, seeing our Global Trainer Network teach our material to over 8,600 pastors and church leaders in 30 nations, and adding 3 new MCL Trainers this year! Our plans for 2018 include reaching 10 more new nations, training 10,000 more pastors & church leaders, and adding 6 new MCL Trainers. Please pray for God's provision and guidance for what He purposes for us!

Thank You for Your Service!

We would like to publicly thank **Mike & Marchai Bruchey** for their 6 years of service on our board



of directors! Mike & Marchai joined our board in 2011 bringing many years of experience and gifts as leaders in business and the church. They have been very instrumental in helping us with our

strategic planning and marketing communications that has resulted in our recent growth and expansion. They have also been a huge blessing to us personally. They are leaving our board effective October 31st to pursue other personal and ministry interests. We are grateful to God for their guidance and input to FaithLife Ministries and pray that the Lord will bless them and use them mightily in their future ministry service!

Robert Mohle Joins FLM Board

We are pleased to announce the addition of **Robert Mohle** to our Board of Directors! Bob lives in the Phoenix area and is retired from Medtronic where he worked for many years in sales management. Bob is also a high school classmate and friend of Barry. They re-



connected through their 40th high school reunion and Bob became interested in our ministry. He has taught our Management for Church Leaders training with Barry in both India and China. He also serves on several boards of other ministries in his local community. He brings a strong faith, management skills, and a volunteer's heart to this ministry and we look forward to his input and contributions to what God is calling us to do!

Our 2018 Schedule

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Purpose/Host</u>
Jan 19-20	San Jose, Costa Rica	MCL #2 Training - <i>Josue Balletero, Costa Rica Church of God</i>
Apr 16-20	Montevideo, Uruguay	MCL #2 Training - <i>Julio Amarillo, Uruguay Church of God</i>
May 5-12	St. George's, Grenada	MCL Training - <i>John Lewis, Global Proclamation Commission</i>
Sep 16	El Cajon, CA	FLM Ministry Update Presentation - <i>First Lutheran Church</i>
Nov 3	Cumming, GA	FLM Board of Directors Meeting



Prayer Requests

- For financial provision for **James Ochwo**, our MCL Trainer in **Uganda**, who has medical bills and lack of income.
- For **Pastor Charls Biswas** in **Bangladesh**, for God's protection against persecution from Muslims.
- For the people of **Ukraine** to expel Russian forces from their nation and to experience true freedom and independence
- For God's wisdom in our **2018 budgeting and planning**
- For God's provision of the funds needed to support our training & our global trainers around the world.

News & Notes:



- **Ronald Tan** from **Singapore** has joined our Global Trainer Network. He connected to us through the Global Proclamation Commission (GPro) and has already trained our material in India!
- We have been invited to go to **Lebanon** to train and will be looking to have our Management for Church Leaders training translated into **Arabic** next year.
- Our training on **Managing Change** was recently featured in an article on the GPro Commission website (www.gprocommission.org).
- We would like to remind those of you who have **Thrivent** policies that you can now direct your 3rd Quarter Choice Dollars. **FaithLife Ministries** is an eligible recipient and we would be most grateful if you would consider directing them to this ministry. Simply go to your account at www.thrivent.com and select **FaithLife Ministries** as the organization to direct those funds to. Thank you!

Your Support is Needed!

We are currently lacking the funds we need to support our 2018 training plans and goals. As we



near the end of 2017, would you consider making an end of year donation to help us fund our training for next year?

Your gift would be very much appreciated and would enable us to travel abroad to train and also support our global trainer network training. It would also be tax deductible for this year. Simply mail a check made out to **FaithLife Ministries** to the address to the right. You can also visit our website to donate on-line. Thank you in advance for giving this your prayerful consideration!

Thank you for your prayers & support!

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