



Ministry Vision Update



Our current ministry vision is to establish active training of our **Management for Church Leaders (MCL)** training in 50 nations by the year 2025. As of today, we now have active, ongoing MCL training taking place in 37 nations around the world. This represents 16 nations in Africa, 11 nations in Asia, 7 nations in Latin America, and 3 nations in Europe. This is an increase of 9 nations over this same time last year! The new nations are **Bangladesh, England, Estonia, Jamaica, Lebanon, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Cuba, the Philippines and South Africa.**

We continue to pursue this vision in 3 ways. First, we are reaching out to our global trainers in other nations who are not active at present to see how we can assist them in becoming active again. Covid and other issues are some of the obstacles we are encountering in this group. Second, we also are looking for opportunities to establish global trainers in nations where there is no trainer who could also initiate some training. This includes **Senegal and the Dominican Republic.** Finally, we are also contacting Bible Schools we have taught at and other partner training organizations to encourage them to include our training material in their programs and curriculums.

Please continue to pray for us, and this vision in particular, so that we can build a foundation that will enable our training to reach more pastors and church leaders who need it now and in the future!

Our MCL Reaches Two New Nations!



Our Management for Church Leaders training recently reached two new nations - the Netherlands and Iran! They were reached through an on-line training conducted by our MCL Trainer in **England, Hesam Heravi.** Hesam is Iranian and held his first training for 8 Iranian church leaders that he knows in 4 nations (**England, Greece, the Netherlands and Iran**). The training was held over several weeks in January and February.

We have now reached a total of 106 nations with our leadership and management training and look forward to seeing it reach other new nations later this year as well! Praise be to God!!



Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

"Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their work; If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls down and has no one to help him up!"

Global Training Summary



Our network has trained a total of 2,845 pastors and leaders via 67 conferences in 18 nations so far in 2022. This is on target to reach our goal of 6,000 for the year! Here are the highlights by month:

In March our global trainers conducted 18 MCL training conferences. These conferences were held in **Nepal, Nigeria, Bangladesh, DRC, Kenya, Uganda, Burundi, Cameroon, Chad, India** and **Tanzania**. They trained a total of 551 pastors and church leaders. Of note is that in Cameroon and Chad, the training was led by trainers who are not part of our global trainer network but were trained by **Pastor Wilson Esambe**, our MCL Trainer in **Cameroon**! It is wonderful to watch God multiply our ministry!

In April our global trainers conducted 12 MCL training conferences in **Burundi, the DRC, Ghana, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Togo, India** and **Myanmar**. In total, they trained 332 pastors and church leaders.

In May our global trainers conducted 9 MCL training conferences in **Uganda, Kenya, Burundi, Liberia** and **Nepal**. They trained a total of 454 pastors and church leaders. The photo above is from a training by **Pastor Gordon Onyango** in **Kericho, Kenya**.

We also rejoice that two of our MCL Trainers were able to resume training this year. In **Cuba, Fernando Rodriguez** resumed his MCL training earlier this year after three years of the Covid shutdown. In **Uganda, Michael Wotts** was able to resume his teaching of our MCL as well. He had been studying in university earning his Master's degree the past few years. Welcome back to both of them and congratulations to Michael on his degree!!

Meet Our Newest MCL Trainers

We added three new global MCL Trainers in March & May. Meet the newest members of our global trainer network:

Pastor Peter Kitang'wa



Pastor Peter Kitang'wa is from **Kigomboni, Tanzania**. What is notable about Peter is that he is a student at Lucent University working towards a master's degree. He took our on-line video course on Organizational Management that I recorded and contacted us to become one of our trainers!

There is a great need for our training in Tanzania, and we are thrilled to see God use that course to grow our ministry!

Thomas Mendy

Thomas Mendy is from **Thies, Senegal**. Thomas was a translator for me when I taught our MCL there in 2017. He is a teacher in a secondary school and has a desire to teach in full time ministry. He has already been teaching others in the villages on his vacation time and wants to also teach our MCL training there as well. He is our first MCL Trainer in Senegal and we look forward to him becoming a very active trainer in the days to come!

Selentine Dominick

Selentine Dominick is a teacher from **Dar es Salaam, Tanzania**. He found out about our ministry when he was searching the internet. He is also a secondary school teacher with a BS degree in Science and Education. He has previously studied teaching through a ministry called SOS International and feels called to train as a ministry. He requested to be a trainer for our ministry so he can train others with our MCL training.

We thank the Lord for bringing these three men to serve alongside of us in training pastors and church leaders!

New European Connection



We were recently introduced to a new potential ministry partner for Eastern Europe, KontaktMission (www.kontaktmission.org).

KontaktMission is a ministry that is based in Germany and was founded in 1979. Their focus is on church planting and equipping Christians to build up the church. They currently serve in 57 nations with an emphasis on Europe.

One of our board members, Roger Shaw, recently met John Harper who serves with KontaktMission. After meeting with Roger, John was interested in our training and contacted me for further information and discussion on how we might work together. He sees a potential opportunity to train others in KontaktMission to go and teach our material where they currently serve. Since we currently do not have any active trainers in Eastern Europe, this seems like a good fit for our ministry.

We will provide further updates as our discussions continue. Please pray for God's wisdom and discernment for both John and us.

Church Ministry Update Presentations

Barry will be giving ministry update presentations to 3 support churches this year. He will update our own church congregation, **Christ the Shepherd Lutheran in Alpharetta, GA**, on August 7th, and **First Lutheran Church in El Cajon, CA**, on September 4th. He is currently waiting for a date to update **Grace Lutheran Church in Knoxville, TN**, later this year.

Training Videos Completed

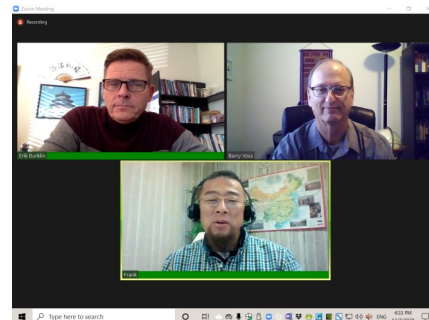


We have recorded 13 videos for our global trainers teaching them how to train our Discipleship for Church Leaders training. The videos for all 12 chapters and the manual overview were shot on April 1st in Barry's office (*see photo*). These videos were edited and finalized on May 2.

We also completed the editing and finalizing of the 13 training videos for our Management for Church Leaders Volume #2 training manual in March.

All of these were posted on our website for our global trainers to view and access.

China Zoom Training



Barry has been invited to resume our on-line Zoom training for pastors and church leaders in China through our partnership with a ministry called China Partner. Our first on-line training, was on December 7, 2020 (*see photo above*). It was recorded with **Erik Burklin**, President of China Partner, and **Frank Wang** as my translator, for later distribution within China. Additional recording of our training had to be suspended due to covid and other political factors.

Prayer Requests



- God's healing of Pastor James Ochwo, our MCL Trainer in Uganda, from malaria.
- God's healing for Pastor Totu Thomas of Togo from a serious motorcycle accident.
- God's healing for Pastor Abdullah Humsy of Syria from cancer.
- God's peace and comfort for Pastor Chebon Eriama, our MCL Trainer in Kenya, at the deaths of his nephew Eric and pastor friend Robai Aholi.
- God's provision and guidance for all of our MCL Trainers who will be training in June.
- God's provision of finances for our global network trainers and their ministry needs.
- God's wisdom and guidance as we resume on-line Zoom training of our MCL in China.
- God's provision of finances for this ministry through our annual fundraising appeal letter in June.
- God's protection and peace for the people of the Ukraine.

News & Notes



- The Latvian translation of our MCL #1 training manual is now complete.
- The train the trainer videos for our Management for Church Leaders Volume #2 training have been completed.
- The train the trainer videos for our Discipleship for Church Leaders training manual have been completed.
- We have added 3 new MCL Trainers to our global trainer network (*see story on page 3*).
- Leadership International has invited Barry to go to Capetown, South Africa in September to teach our MCL Training to their network of trainers.
- The Middle East Leadership Training Institute (MELTI) will be inviting Barry to a conference in the Fall to teach our MCL training to their network of trainers in the Middle East.
- Barry will be visiting 3 of our support churches this year to give a ministry update (*see story on page 3*).



If you would like to support the relief efforts in the Ukraine, please consider supporting TCI, the **Tavriski Christian Institute**, with whom we have a close relationship. They had to flee their school in Kherson (where I have taught twice) after the Russian invasion and are currently helping others that are able to flee and providing relief to those who cannot leave. If you would like to support their efforts, please make your check out to Mountainview Christian Church designated for TCI and mail to: **Mountainview Christian Church, 40 East Highlands Ranch Parkway, Highlands Ranch, CO 80126.**



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Thank you for your prayers & support!

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