



On the Road Again!



Barry is going back to the mission field in October for the first time in 3 years to train new trainers of our **Management for Church Leaders** training in **Cairo, Egypt**. (*He was in Cairo in October of 2019 to train pastors and leaders from the Cairo area.*)

He is being hosted by **Victor Hanna**, director of **MELTI** (Middle East Leadership Training Institute), who has invited about 50 trainers from their ministry throughout the Middle East to attend the MCL training. Helping Barry train will be **George Hakim** from MELTI who is one of our global MCL Trainers whom Barry trained back in 2019. Those we train will then go and teach it to others in their respective nations throughout the Middle East. The training will take place from **October 20-22nd**. All of the training materials have already been translated into Arabic in addition to our self-training book.

This is a wonderful opportunity for us to have our training taught in places that would be very difficult for me to go and train in. We thank the Lord for making this training both possible and strategic for our ministry!

Please pray for safe travels for all participants, and that God's purposes would be accomplished through this training conference.

Another Faculty Invitation!



Barry recently received an invitation from **Daniel Fodorean** from Romania to teach our course on **Management for Church leaders** at his **Leader Formation Institute (LFI)** and become one of their professors. (*Barry taught our MCL to Daniel and some of his students and pastoral associates via Zoom back in November of 2021*). LFI is a Romania based online school that will initially offer a variety of courses to help pastors and church leaders receive additional training on topics not usually covered in seminaries or Bible colleges. Their plan is to make these courses available beginning in January of 2023.

This training will be video based but will also include some interactive Zoom meetings for participant questions and support. We will begin recording the training videos for this course in September. This particular course will be focused on church management and will include 8 chapters from our MCL #1 training manual on managing people and other resources. This could also lead to in-person training opportunities in the future as well, depending upon the response to the course. LFI primarily reaches pastors and leaders in Europe, but also plans to include participants in Africa and Asia.

We thank God for this wonderful opportunity to extend our training to Europe via video!

Global Training Summary



Our network has trained a total of 4,474 pastors and leaders via 110 conferences in 22 nations so far in 2022. Here are the highlights for the past 3 months:

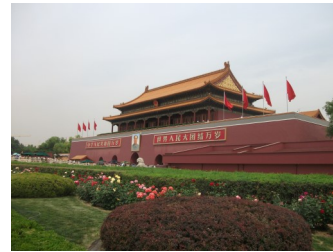
Our global trainer network conducted 17 training conferences in 10 nations in the month of June. They trained a total of 537 pastors and church leaders. The nations included **Kenya, Uganda, Ghana, Cameroon, Tanzania, Burundi, Nigeria, DRC, Nepal and Turkey**. This was the first ever training in Turkey as well and the 107th nation to receive our training!

There were 17 training conferences held in 11 nations in July by our global trainer network. They trained a total of 689 pastors and church leaders. The nations where the trainings were held are **Nicaragua, Uganda, Burundi, Kenya, Ghana, Nepal, Tanzania, Liberia, India, Costa Rica** and the **Seychelles**. The Seychelles are an island off the southern coast of Africa and it was the 108th nation to receive our training!

August saw a continuation of our strong global trainer network training with another 12 MCL training conferences being held this month in 7 different nations - **Cameroon, Uganda, Kenya, Burundi, Ghana, Liberia, and Bangladesh**. (The photo above is from the training in Garoua, Cameroon by Pastor Wilson Esambe). Nine of those conferences have been completed with a total of 393 pastors and church leaders being trained. The other 3 training conferences will be completed by the end of August.

We also added another MCL Trainer to our global trainer network in June. He is **Selestine Dominick**, a Bible teacher from **Dar es Salaam, Tanzania**. He conducted his very first MCL training in June as well!

China Video Training



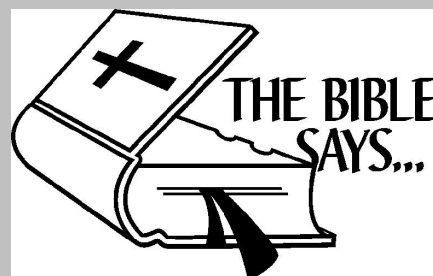
We have begun recording 12 videos of our **Management for Church Leaders** training for pastors and church leaders in China. Two videos are being recorded each month between July and December and include a live Chinese translator. The videos will be distributed to them as they are produced over the next 6 months through China Partner, a ministry that works with the registered churches in China.

This is a new approach China Partner is taking because of their inability to travel to China to train in-person at the current time. They will also be recording other training courses from other ministries as well.

We are grateful that God has opened up this opportunity for us after 2 years of delay due to Covid.

"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven."

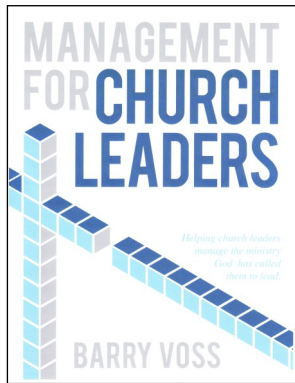
Ecclesiastes 3:1



"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

2 Timothy 3:16-17

500th MCL Book Requested!



On July 6th we received the 500th request for a copy of our Management for Church Leaders Self-Training Book! It came from Jayson Bagunu who lives in Tumuani, Philippines. Jayson requested the training book saying that *"I want to be equipped on the fundamentals of church management."*

We began offering our MCL Volume #1 training in a self-training book format in 2012. We sent out the 400th copy back on January 12, 2021. It has become the primary source of interest in our training material from our website. We have reached 22 nations through this training format, and 33 of the 500 who received it have become MCL Trainers in our global trainer network!

We are thankful to God that He continues to draw pastors and church leaders to our website so that they can receive this free training!

Ministry Update Presentation

Barry gave a ministry update presentations to our own church congregation, **Christ the Shepherd Lutheran in Alpharetta, GA**, on August 7th, He shared a video on how our ministry began and how we reached 100 nations with our Management for Church Leaders training in 2020. He then updated them on what has happened the past 3 years during covid and where we are at now in terms of numbers trained, nations reached, and translations available. He then shared our vision of having 50 nations with active global trainers by 2025 and our plans for the next few years.

Lucent University Training



I recently contacted Lucent University to find out how many students are taking the course on Organizational Management that I recorded for them in June of last year. The course was based on our Management for Church Leaders training and went live last October. I was surprised to learn that 506 of their students have either already taken the course, are taking it now, or will be taking it as part of their degree program! Furthermore, they represent 81 different nations! I had no idea when I recorded our training for them that it would reach so many students in so many countries in just 10 months!

We thank and praise God for these students and pray that our training will strengthen their ministries!

Video Training Plan

I am currently developing a plan on how best we can offer our training on video. With the recent receipt of all of the training videos I recorded for Lucent University last year and the requests we are getting for



more video training, we decided that we need to offer video training of all 3 of our courses (MCL #1, MCL #2 and DCL). We also decided we should add self-training versions of the MCL #2 and DCL to our self-training MCL #1 Book. This means that we will eventually have all 3 of our training courses in training manuals for in-person training, in self-training books for individual training, and on video for online training. The reason for all of this is to ensure that our 3 training courses will continue into the future after I am no longer around or able to train. This may take us a few years to complete, but it does establish where we are headed as a ministry.

Prayer Requests



- God's healing from malaria for **Kiyingi Emmy** of **Uganda**
- God's healing from cancer for **Quique Velarde** of **Peru**
- God's peace and comfort for **Steve & Esther Saintus**, two of our MCL Trainers, at the death of their son.
- God's compassion and provision for those suffering from the flooding in Bangladesh and India
- God's provision of finances for this ministry through our annual fundraising appeal letter that was sent out in June
- God's provision and guidance for all of our MCL Trainers who will be training in the coming months.
- God's wisdom and guidance as we record our MCL training with a Chinese translator on Zoom for China.
- God's wisdom for Barry as he shares another ministry update at First Lutheran Church in El Cajon, CA on September 4th.
- God's wisdom for Barry's MCL presentation in Abingdon, VA on September 30th.

News & Notes



- Barry recently met with **Martin Deacon** of **Teaching Every Nation (TEN)** about incorporating our MCL training into their training curriculum.
- **Dr. Martin Baboka**, our MCL Trainer in South Africa, will be presenting our MCL training to the network of trainers in Africa of **Leadership International** in Cape Town, South Africa on October 4-7th.
- Barry has recorded the first 3 chapters of our MCL training with **China Partner** for later distribution to Chinese pastors and church leaders.
- We are currently studying how we can best offer video training of all 3 of our current training courses. A strategic plan will be prepared for our board meeting in November.
- Barry will be traveling to Abingdon, VA to make a presentation on our MCL training at the Highlands Church on September 30th in concert with Wahid Wahba and his ministry, 4G3.

Annual Fundraising Appeal



We mailed out our annual fundraising appeal letter in late June. The letter shares how God has led us through two years of Covid shutdowns and restrictions, and how He has enabled us to overcome those obstacles to train over 6,000 pastors and church leaders in 30 nations last year. We only ask for donations once a year and these funds will be used to directly support training by our global trainers and the development of training resources for them. Please consider financially supporting this ministry as the Lord leads you.

If you do not receive one of our letters, you can also make a donation through our website at www.faithlifeministries.net/get-involved.

Thank you for giving this your prayerful consideration!

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If you are a Thrivent member, remember to check your 2nd quarter Thrivent Choice Dollars. If you have any available, we would be grateful if you would consider designating them to our ministry!

Thank you for your prayers & support!

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