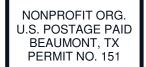


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## **November - December 2017**

### Workshops 2017-2018

November 27 - December 2 December 2-11 December 4-9 December 11-17 December 26-31 January 8-12 February 5-9 February 12-16

**COCHABAMBA, BOLIVIA – Romans 1-8 Workshop** MYANMAR, ASIA – Romans 1-8 Workshop LOS NEGROS, BOLIVIA – Daniel Workshop TARIJA, BOLIVIA – Romans Workshop **OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON – 1 Corinthians 1-7 Workshop** RHINO CAMP, UGANDA - Romans 1-8 Workshop (with refugees) FREETOWN, SIERRA LEONE - Revelation 12-22 Workshop **CAREYSBURG, LIBERIA – Colossians Workshop** 

### **Prayer Requests**

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planning to subsidize this event so that all interested will be able to attend. Pray for God's provisions so we can do this. Thank God for the translation of Daniel into Spanish. Pray for translation work being done in Telugu, German and Bemba. Pray for us as we revise our Romans curriculum. Pray for upcoming workshops, including five youth workshops being planned for this summer. Praise the Lord for a successful series of workshops in Ukraine. Pray for more churches to take on new fields.

Pray as we plan a national women's workshop

for August 1-4, 2018 in Dallas, Texas. DM2 is



It is hard to believe what God has accomplished through this frail and relatively insignificant organization in the few short years since 2011 when DM2 began.

We now have eight official Regional Ministry directors, along with a host of volunteer teachers. While I direct our work in Bolivia, Tommy Northcott directs Sierra Leone, John Clark - Liberia, David Howard - Zambia, Brad Rigby - Myanmar, Mark Musser - Ukraine and countries in the former Soviet Union, John Wry - Canada, and Carlos Tellez - Latin America at large. In Uganda, Mexico, Paraguay and Brazil, DM2 works in an advisory role with various local churches. Panama, India and Germany are additional prospects for future ministry.

On a local level, numerous churches host workshops to train both youth and adults to become effective disciple-makers in North America. Young adults have started ministries on a couple of college campuses.

When DM2 started, our objective was to have a ten-year program with two workshops a year per field, beginning with Bolivia. To keep up with this "unrealistic" goal, two curriculums had to be developed yearly. Thanks to God's miraculous workings, contributions of His faithful servants and much hard work, we now have surveys of the Old and New Testaments, a panorama of the life of Christ, and verse by verse studies for Daniel, Romans, 1 Corinthians, Galatians, Colossians, Hebrews and Revelation. (These courses can be made available to you upon request.) This coming year our plan is to develop curriculums for 1 Timothy and Titus and a Bible study method's course.

Each curriculum comes with a set of PowerPoints which we pass on free of charge to future disciple-makers for their use. Each Regional Ministry Director is responsible for getting the curriculum translated for his field or area when that is necessary. Consequently, we have materials in tribal dialects like Chen, Telugu, Bemba and Simba Guarani, as well as in national languages like Spanish, German, Portuguese and Russian.

All of this is a testimony to God's faithfulness and your prayers and partnership with DM2. Truly when He opens a door, no one can shut it. It was Christ who commanded us to go make disciples of all nations and He provides all we need to fulfill this directive. So then neither he one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but God who causes the growth. 1 Corinthians 3:7



# **Mark Musser** Ukraine 2017

Our last trip to Ukraine began in Lviv, on the Polish border, and ended in Kiev. It was an incredible time of teaching, discipling and fellowship. After all was said and done, we ended with an open door into a new church and significant inroads into another. We taught Hebrews, Galatians and the Panorama of the Life of Christ.

Besides the four American teachers, eleven Ukrainians from different parts of the country also helped teach. We rejoice to see these teachers steadily grow in the Lord and improve their skills. Three of them in particular are becoming very adept at using the DM2 methodology.

As the workshops continue to expand into more places, I find myself doing less of the actual teaching at each location. While the groups we teach are never large, they are multiplying, which certainly makes it challenging to manage. One of the weeks was virtually "controlled chaos." I traveled back and forth between workshops, each with different schedules, different teachers and different courses. Thankfully, DM2's method of multiplying disciple-makers expands our pool of available teachers very quickly, thus spreading out the work load. What was accomplished in that short time will hopefully result in lasting benefits for those who endured the long hours.

Andy Stacy, from our home church in Olympia, Grace Redeemer Bible Church, was a great help. It was his first mission trip to Ukraine. He helped teach Galatians in Baryshivka and the Panorama of the Life of Christ in Kiev. It was a blessing to have Andy on the team. After hearing about ministry in Ukraine for so long, he finally got to experience it firsthand.

Austin Norgaard from Colorado Christian University also joined us. Though he has been to Ukraine before, he had never taught using the DM2 style. Austin was a real blessing for the team. He also taught in both Baryshivka and Kiev.

As is my custom when I go to Ukraine, I taught my Life of Christ curriculum at the Word of God Bible College, a ministry of Jim and Phyllis Myers. During this time, we took advantage of the nights and weekends to practice what we were learning by going and making disciples in other locations. It was a wonderful testimony to Andy and Austin and my entire Bible college class. This kind of mission work perfectly matches Christ's ministry of making disciple-makers.

It has been my long-term desire to incorporate graduates from the Word of God Bible College into ministry. DM2 has provided the needed ministry platform, making it possible for Bible training and ministry to progress seamlessly from theoretical to the practical.

Several students who now attend the Word of God Bible College were previously DM2 teachers and participants. Since it is difficult to recruit committed students for the Bible College, this has been an added, yet unforeseen, blessing, highlighting how two ministries in the body of Christ can work together to further the Gospel in faraway places like Ukraine.

My wife Caren and daughter Rachel have already purchased tickets for Ukraine so they can join me on my next trip. During spring break they hope to do a Women of the Word workshop in Baryshivka with a group of faithful older women who are a strong support to their growing church.

From my perspective, this last DM2 trip to Ukraine was the most encouraging so far. I saw God work on so many fronts and in so many situations. All of this is courtesy of God's matchless and infinite grace. In every workshop, we emphasized this concept: but may it never be that I should boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. Galatians 6:14



# **Austin Norgaard**

My time in Ukraine began with a month of preparation and vet still feeling unprepared when I arrived. The reality, however, was that God's grace was good work you are doing in Christ. Your testimonies are

Earlier this month, I was greatly blessed to join Mark Musser on his trip to Ukraine. I was upon me, and His love for Ukrainians was too great for me to hold Him back. During my time in Ukraine, I taught impressed with the opportunities there to teach four lessons on Galatians in Baryshivka and one on the God's Word. Through the efforts of those who Panorama of the Life of Christ in Kiev at the Word of God have gone before, there is a small but solid Bible College. While being nervous and inexperienced network of Bible churches led by men who have (this being my first teaching opportunity), I met a people been trained to accurately handle the Word of who are open and eager to learn about God. Their God. I served alongside these men, teaching humility, love and patience already demonstrated God's mostly at the Life of Christ Workshop in Kiev. presence among them. I witnessed how God is ever There was such a strong, sustained interest in edifying our brothers and sisters in Ukraine. Also, the teaching, as well as great fellowship and through my weakness I experienced God's loving care in good questions. It was a pleasure to spend time teaching me with all patience through Andrew Stacy and with Mark as he showed me his present ministry Mark Musser. The DM2 program and the Word of God there and the fruits God has caused to grow in Bible College are clearly being used by God. Through coordination with previous watering and these ministries, God has taught people who in turn have tending of others. It was also a pleasure to get to gone on to teach others about the truth of God. To those know Austin Norgaard. We had several great who have become teachers I want to say, "Keep up the conversations about God's Word, and I'm excited to see how God uses him in the future. DM2 encouraging to the body of Christ, and are living provides an excellent platform for doing a large testimonies to God's work in Ukraine." amount of teaching in a small amount of time, and the audiences in Kiev and Baryshivka were With hunger for God's truth on the rise in Ukraine, I hope in the future to get to take part in these ministries right there, ready to soak it all up and put it to again. For now, I pray God will encourage my brothers use in their daily lives. It was a great and sisters in their ministries and bless them with His opportunity and I hope to go back again and wondrous grace in Jesus Christ. continue the work next year.



# **Andy Stacy**