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A GLOBAL MOVEMENT

ONE EXCITING TIME

“This is why I am part of International Teams!”

Over and over this thought kept going through my head while I was in Kenya. It was my first trip to Africa and I was there to help teach brand new Kenyan missionaries. I was so excited to see these seven men and women who were themselves thrilled to begin serving with International Teams.

American, Australian, Philippine, and British missionary trainers brought unique perspectives on International Teams and missions from their own backgrounds. A significant part of our time together came through recognizing our togetherness as brothers and sisters in Christ – called to a common purpose.

One night after an emotional discussion about reconciliation and forgiveness we engaged in a spontaneous time of confessing hurts received and inflicted. We prayed together, learned together, even cried together. It was a wonderful time to be part of a movement of people from all over the world caught up in sharing the love of Jesus Christ.

This is why I am part of International Teams. Because we are truly a global movement –disciples coming from everywhere and serving everywhere... and ITeams Kenya is emerging as one very exciting part of this movement!



Seven ITeams missionaries from Africa gathered together in Nairobi, Kenya for ITeams/Kenya's first ACCESS Training in December 2006.

One Giant First

Get ready world, the Russians are coming!

And they will be a great blessing. What a great privilege for me to have a part in the training of eleven Russians, Ukrainians, Tartars, and Uzbeks who will be going with the gospel. They will be traveling to India, Philippines, Uzbekistan, Greece, Turkey, and Argentina.

Another young lady has a burden to eventually come to Harlem, NYC, as an ITeams missionary!

I haven't done the research, but these eleven may well be the first Russian evangelicals to be sent to other nations as missionaries, and funded by Russian churches and believers.

- David

ITEAMS: FROM THE WHOLE WORLD TO THE WHOLE WORLD

- » **Russians are going** as International Teams missionaries to other former Soviet nations
- » **Six Latino ITeams missionaries** have been sent out from Latin America, two working in a country in North Africa
- » **There are presently 12** emerging ITeams national organizations that will soon be supporting and sending missionaries to other nations
- » **There are more than 900** ITeams missionaries around the world. They come from more than 30 countries and serve on 156 teams in 54 nations

“ARE WE REALLY WILLING TO SACRIFICE OURSELVES SO THAT OTHERS MIGHT REALIZE THE HOPE OF CHRIST?”

ONE SACRIFICIAL GIFT

Alexei is a brand new ITeams missionary from Russia who is on his way to minister in the Islamic world. Though his story is full of difficult circumstances, he is a very happy man. Happy even to lay down his life for Jesus!



Eleven new ITeams missionaries from the former Soviet Union are sacrificing everything to bring others the hope of Christ.

At a recent service attended by about thirty Russian denominational and mission leaders, Alexei dragged out a big box, about 2 1/2 feet square. On one side he had drawn a map outline in thick black marker of where he expects to go. He began by saying it would take enormous sacrifice to tell these people about Jesus and the way of salvation.

He invited us all to bring something to the box—a sacrificial gift—to begin the sacrifice. Then he stepped into the box and said, “Here is my sacrifice!”

That was an intense challenge to us all. What are willing to sacrifice so that others might realize the hope of Christ?

INTERNATIONAL TEAMS

OPPORTUNITIES TO GO

SHORT TERM TEAMS (Moscow, Russia):

» Youth Leader Training Teams -

Serve alongside ITeams missionaries to train youth leaders within classroom and relational contexts.

» Summer Camp Teams -

Help ITeams missionaries disciple Russian teenagers. Be part of a ministry experience that involves interacting with Russian teens through sports, art, English programs, music, and other activities.

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OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE

» **Help support** new African missionaries sent from ITeams/Kenya

» **ITeams USA General Fund** - A gift to the general fund at ITeams-USA helps provide resources to create new and innovative ministries such as those that help ITeams national organizations equip and train missionaries from all over the world.

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