PIONEERS IN EUROPE PRESENTS 2017 in review THE CURREYS

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Leading and empowering teams to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus, make disciples and plant churches across Europe...

Introduction

We trust you had a wonderful Christmas celebration and are looking forward to another great year! We are grateful for your friendship, love and partnership with our family and ministries across Europe.

God continues to mobilise missionaries to Europe to join existing church planting teams and start new ones. Our immediate team has grown to 14. Our team provides leadership to nearly 80 church planting teams across Europe!

Here are a few highlights from 2017 - originally we had 4 pages but had to cut this down



Sara's book, Orphaleena was published in January. Visit and join Sara's blog at <u>orphaleena.com</u> and see how this story is reaching people. You can also purchase a copy on the same website.

Orphaleena has recently been translated into French and will be released soon. We will print the book locally. God has provided for the cost of printing!





In March Steve and Junior (the pastor of our local church plant) worked on a four part video series storying the testimony of a local woman who found freedom in Christ from the cult **Jehovah's Witnesses.** The video series which Steve filmed and edited has already been consulted over a thousand times! And, at least one woman has come to Faith in Christ. To see the videos, check out Laurence's youtube channel "freeforGod"

In February we met as a leadership team in Krakow, Poland. We brought in a team developer who helped us understand, blend and put to use our different giftings and callings. Our regional team is made up of 9 area leaders overseeing ministry in 21 European countries. We also have a 4 member support staff who oversee mobilisation, leadership development, first term care and develop our website and facebook pages. More information about what God is doing through PIONEERS in EUROPE at www.pioneersineurope.com





In December, Steve was on the air with the developer of PIONEERS in EUROPE and contributed a podcast where he discusses the spiritual needs and opportunities in Europe. You can find that <u>PODCAST here</u> on PIONEERSINEUROPE.COM. While visiting, sign up to stay informed of news and opportunities.



This year, Sara has had the joy of praying with and discipling our friend from China who found Jesus in France a few years ago. She has been growing in her faith in Jesus. She comes from a strongly secular chinese family where the Bible, or anything spiritual, was forbidden in the home. She has a growing burden to share Christ with others.



In April we gathered as a region, nearly 400 of us, in Hungary for a week of worship, prayer, intercession and biblical teaching. The kids in black are our youth! They are "TCKs" or Third Culture Kids. They are multi lingual, multi cultural and have a hard time answering the question, "so, where are you from???"



Steve survived his first autobahn experience at 180 kms/h on his way to meet with our German partners in ministry, the DMG. We praise God for the growing

relationship that will provide opportunity to mobilise up to 250 missionaries to Germany over the coming years. Each year Germany plans on allowing 300-500K migrants into the country to make up for the waningGerman workforce. Most of these migrants come from Gospel closed access countries. This is an amazing opportunity to reach these folks with Jesus and also keep them from radicalisation!









In February we celebrated 20 years of marriage. Annie turned 15 in May and Julia 13 in February. Both girls stay busy with school and friends and rock climbing. They recently danced in a musical outreach celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

The Ahmed family fled here from Syria. Its been a joy to care for them and help them get started in France. Helping the 3 children get into a public school was an overwhelming joy! It was the first time in their lives they'd had formal education... They are integrating into our church and eagerly learning more about God



Lyme disease

It's hard to speak about 2017 without mentioning Lyme disease. Sara received a diagnosis in January and began therapeutic antibiotic treatment immediately. Sara's neurological symptoms are debilitating at times, especially the oversensitive hearing (often requiring her to wear noise cancelling headphones) and continuous ringing in her ears. Steve received the same diagnosis in June, explaining hearing loss in 2013 and severe arthritis in 2015. We are grateful for those of you who continue to pray for our healing. Thank You!

Lastly, thank you for standing with us both and prayer and in financial giving. Now we turn our thought and prayers to the ministry of the Gospel in 2018! We are grateful for your continued partnership. We would love to hear from you. Drop us a note at steve@thecurreys.org

With Love,

Steve, Sara, Annie and Julia Currey

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