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Through TCM's Engaging Every Nation Initiative students across Africa, Europe, Central Asia, and the U.S. are equipped to transform their communities with the power of the gospel. From deeper, Christ-centered preaching to dynamic discipleship in local churches, their stories reflect global impact — preparing leaders, making disciples, and ultimately serving Christ.

Initiative Update

Rebuilding a Nation - Building a Movement

Liberia continues to recover from a civil war ending in 2003. However, city infrastructure is not the only thing being built. God's Kingdom proceeds to expand in Liberia as His faithful followers walk humbly where He leads. Join us in praising God for the amazing ways He is bringing hope, healing, and a deeper understanding of His ways to our Liberian brothers and sisters — THROUGH our Liberian brothers and sisters!

- One student who is a translator led a team in finishing the translation of a Gio Bible for their local tribe!
- At least five students have been elevated to higher levels of influence within their schools—director, principal, dean, president!
- One student was hired to be the Bible teacher for a public high school!
- One student founded a ministry to youth who are addicted to drugs—helping them escape that cycle and then discipling them in the way of Jesus!
- Two students have written disciple-making curriculum to be used in their churches and denominations!
- Another student turned an informal training center into an accredited Junior College with associate degrees!
- Three more students serve as, or have recently been elevated to, the heads of their denominations. One even trains other pastors in disciple making!
- Another student, previously a principal, is constructing her own independent school!

As you serve, as you give, as you pray for TCM, you help tend this Kingdom fruit. What a blessing it is to do this work and celebrate its harvest together!



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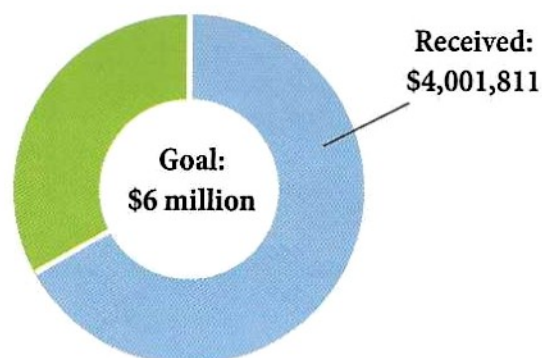
TCM-trained leaders
reached more than

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people every day
in 2025

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to TCM students

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Celebrating TCM's 30th Graduation

On Sunday, May 17, TCM celebrated the graduation of 43 men and women representing 16 countries. Family and friends of graduates looked on proudly as these individuals received their diplomas and were exhorted by President Tony to use this "for our Lord and His Kingdom's sake." Each graduate also received a TCM towel, reminding them that we are called to be servant leaders modeling Jesus Christ. Pastor David Colp of First Church of God in St. Joseph, Michigan encouraged each graduate from 1 Timothy 2 to pay attention to their character and their personal relationship with the Lord. He reminded them that they will not serve effectively without specific attention to these important but often overlooked matters. Dinner at a local family-owned Austrian restaurant followed, where much conversation and rejoicing could be heard.

Here are testimonies from a few of the graduates celebrated at TCM's 30th graduation ceremony:

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I'm from Central Asia, where I am a missionary. When I look back on my years at TCM, the first thing that comes to my mind is not courses, books or assignments. I remember a vibrant learning community, meaningful fellowship, and a journey of transformation that deepened my understanding of God and ministry.

When I began studying at TCM, I had already been serving as a missionary in Central Asia for 12 years. I understood that I needed stronger theological preparation in order to serve more faithfully and effectively in my ministry context. TCM became a remarkable opportunity because of its flexible

structure, rich academic program, and affordable cost. During my years of study, I learned a great deal from every course. My theological understanding was significantly strengthened. Some of my previous assumptions had to be corrected, and some misconceptions had to be abandoned altogether. At the same time, TCM shaped more than academic knowledge.

The character, humility, and wisdom of both professors and students that I met here deeply influenced me. The face-to-face session created a unique environment of learning, fellowship, and spiritual formation that cannot be explained merely through academic

instruction. I can honestly say that I did not simply gain new knowledge, I was also transformed inwardly. TCM helped equip me to become a more faithful servant and disciple maker in God's kingdom. What I learned at TCM did not remain in classroom. It became part of my preaching, Bible studies, discipleship, orphan ministry, inter-church fellowship, and the way I raise and educate my children. Through TCM, God invested in me, and, through that investment, many other people have been impacted.

**-Alexander M.,
Central Asia**

Ready to multiply
your impact?

See Page 7!

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When I began the MA program at TCM, I was a committed Christian, actively involved in the church. I was counseling people, serving in women's ministry, and I had just begun my studies in family therapy. However, I still needed answers to questions that I had been searching for a long time. That's why my husband and I decided to start studying at TCM, so that we can have a deeper, better understanding of the true biblical message. We hoped to deepen our relationship with Christ and to enhance our desire to know Him better.

We planned to complete our studies in three or four years and then move on to the next season of our ministry. So, here I am, 11 years later, at TCM's 30th graduation, only a few months before our 30th wedding anniversary. It has been a long journey. Looking back, however, I can see the transformation in the way I think, in my relationship with God and with people, in my life and my ministry as a whole. My understanding of my calling changed. Before, I saw myself mostly as someone helping people in crisis, but TCM helped me to realize there

is much more than that. And counseling can become a powerful tool for disciple making and opportunity for spiritual growth. At TCM, my worldview has broadened. Now I constantly seek to see the situations of people around me and myself through God's perspective.

-Liliana K., Bulgaria

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The course on theology and practice of prayer, I dare say it wouldn't be an overstatement to say that it has completely transformed my spiritual life and my devotional life. I think that I use some knowledge or skill from that course on a weekly basis, and especially the practice of Lectio Divina has really helped me to be closer to God, to the Father, to Jesus, to the Holy Spirit.

It was in the quiet, in the silence, just listening to God, where I got specific guidance in my personal evangelism or new ideas how to broaden our ministry into another area. And I always encourage the Christians

around me that prayer is not just us talking to God. Prayer is also just being silent and listening or just being silent and enjoying God's presence.

In addition, I've heard many professors emphasizing that the knowledge we gain from the courses is to give glory to God, to serve Him and His Church well, and to apply it to our practical ministry and lives. Our study should make us more equipped, but with the aim of benefiting those we minister not to puff us up. And I am very appreciative of this approach that has the aim to help people to understand His Word rightly, so that God could be glorified more.

I would also like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to all the donors and sponsors who are contributing towards TCM and enabling us students to have high quality education for a very affordable tuition. And I think I can speak for all of us, the students, that we do not take this for granted. And I hope it's an encouragement to you that your investment does not end with us and with our diplomas, but has an impact on those we serve, on our fellowships, on our churches, on our ministries, on the non-believers we witness to.

-Gabriela G., Slovakia





An Evening of Celebration

On May 1, 2026, TCM hosted this year's Annual Partner Celebration. With nearly 300 people in attendance, we gathered to celebrate how God is working through Christian leaders trained and equipped through TCM's higher learning program. Together, supporters helped raise more than \$225,000 to advance TCM's mission of developing Christian leaders for significant service.

What made the evening especially meaningful was not simply the growth in attendance or giving, but the shared commitment to seeing lives, churches, and communities transformed through Christ-centered education. Throughout the evening, guests heard stories of faithful ministry taking place across the nations through TCM students, graduates, and

ministry partners. These stories served as powerful reminders that biblical education does more than inform minds, it equips leaders to bring hope, disciple believers, strengthen churches, and impact entire communities for Christ.

This year's event also reflected significant growth and momentum for the ministry. Attendance more than doubled compared to the previous year, bringing together ministry friends, church leaders, donors, business professionals, and first-time guests united around a shared vision for the Gospel. From moments of worship and prayer to conversations around the table, the evening demonstrated the growing excitement surrounding what God continues to do through TCM's mission.

As we look ahead, we remain deeply grateful for every partner who prays, gives, advocates, and walks alongside this ministry. Because of your generosity, future church leaders are being equipped to serve faithfully in places where hope, truth, and biblical leadership are deeply needed. Together, we are continuing to engage every nation and multiply the impact for Christ.

Call To Action

As we celebrate TCM's 30th graduation ceremony, we are grateful for every prayer, every gift, and every hour volunteered to make this milestone possible. It reflects decades of preparing Christian leaders for significant service and Kingdom impact. Yet the true significance of this achievement is found in the lives being transformed through biblical training.

This report has highlighted a few of the 43 recent graduates, but countless more stories of transformation could be told from the thousands of students and graduates who have been equipped through TCM over the years. These stories and so many others like them are possible because faithful partners invest in the mission of TCM.

As we celebrate this 30th graduation milestone and all that God has accomplished through TCM, we invite you to respond prayerfully and generously. Would you consider making a gift today to help equip the next generation of Christian leaders?

Please see the graphic below for ways you can pray, give, and participate in this Kingdom work. Together, we can ensure more leaders are trained, more churches are strengthened, and more lives are transformed through the Gospel. Contact us at tcm@tcmi.org if you have any questions about how you can help.



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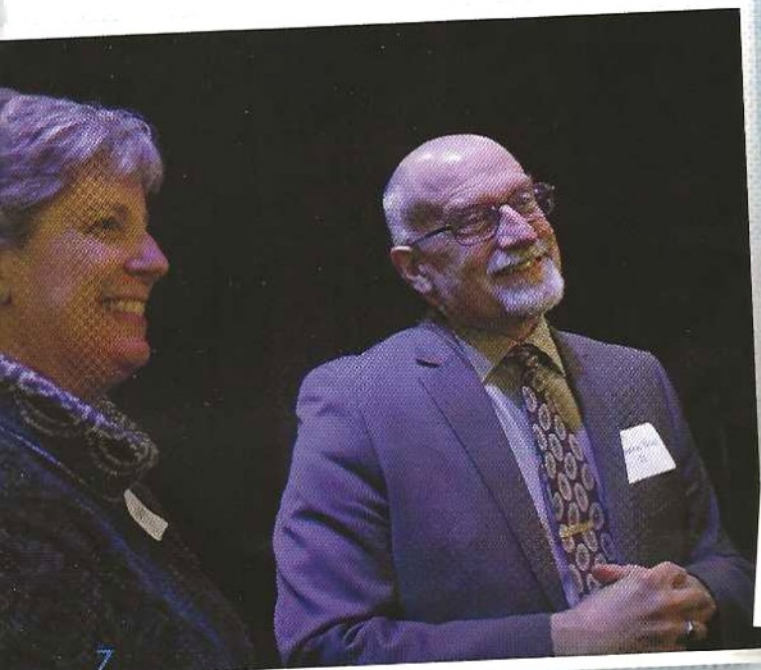
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Pray and fast for TCM and the leaders trained

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The BOILER ROOM EXPERIENCE



The Boiler Room Experience is a special place in the ICOM Exhibit Hall dedicated entirely to prayer, with interactive prayer stations and a prayer wall to post prayer concerns. Come pray with us at the conference. And let us know if you are interested in volunteering to pray with others. We are looking for 20 or more prayer volunteers to help for one to two hours during the conference. Email us at tcm@tcmi.org if you are interested in serving as a prayer volunteer and receive free admission to the conference.

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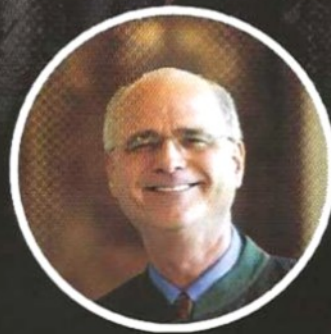
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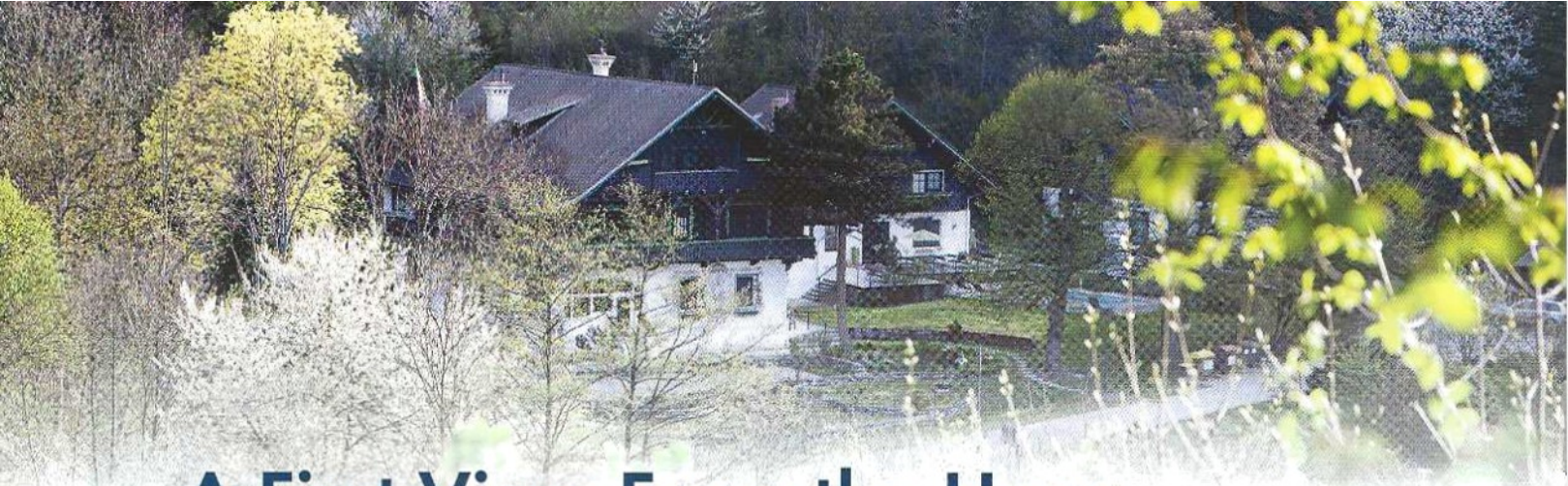
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A First View From the Haus

by Wyatt Gantz

I didn't know what I was expecting when coming to Haus Edelweiss for the first time. I had been on staff at TCM for less than a year, but I thought I had a pretty good understanding of what happened at the Haus. Sure, it is a school with students, sure it is a mission center, where volunteers come to serve God, and sure, I expected God to be here as God is everywhere. I expected to encounter Him since I have heard testimonies of Believers who have witnessed His moving in this place. That said, I never expected His movement in my heart to pierce me the way that it did.

Attending Session 3, I saw students come from all over - Africa to Central Asia, to

Europe - heroes of the faith coming for a week of revival, learning, and fellowship. I met a team of fervent short-term workers here to serve, a group of long-term workers to aid, and a staff of passionate individuals striving to equip these servants for the Kingdom of God and provide respite from the attacks of the enemy. These heroes of the faith are making incredible strides for God's Kingdom.

One particular story I heard was of a young man leading a "small group" in his country. This "small group" consisted of about 40 members. That's larger than some churches in the United States! Another young man, using his skills with AI and emerging technologies, has found

a way to include a translation of the Bible on his YouTube ministry page with more than 8,000 views! People are hearing the Good News of Christ, and it is spreading rapidly.

I did not expect Christ to pierce me in the way that He has. When I arrived at the Haus, I assumed I had it all figured out. It was where we equip Christian leaders for ministry. Yes, certainly, but more than that, this is a place where worlds collide and where nations are simply places of origin. Here, all citizens of Christ's Kingdom are treated with love, with the sole purpose of bringing God's Kingdom to earth and preparing people from every nation for that day.



Welcome to Chris Fleenor!

We're excited to welcome Chris Fleenor to the TCM staff team in Indianapolis. Chris joined us in April as the Director of Operational Advancement and he will be involved in our operational, financial, and development activities.

Chris is originally from southern Indiana but grew up in Kokomo. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science from Purdue University and later earned his MBA from Butler University.

Chris and Shawn (happily married for 34 years) met at and have been active members of East 91st Street Christian Church (E91) in Indianapolis since the late 1980s. They

have 2 adult children, Alicia (Brad) Giannini and Joel.

Chris is the current chairman of E91's elder council, serves with E91's Trail Life USA Troop, and is active in serving in other areas as well.

Prior to TCM, Chris worked for three companies in Indianapolis and retired a couple of years ago, after a 29-year career, from Eli Lilly and Company.

We're delighted to have Chris on board and look forward to the many ways he'll help us deliver on the TCM mission.

TCM Classes

In-Country

BELARUS

- **Theology and Practice of Prayer**
Pavel Coufal

KENYA

- **Servant Leadership**
Oti Bunaciu
- **Mission Theology**
Peter Penner
- **Hermeneutics**
Andrey Puzynin
- **Disciple Making Through the New Testament**
Jozsef Steiner

CENTRAL ASIA

- **Mission Theology**
Mihai Malancea
- **Transforming Leadership**
Timotei Rusu

TURKEY

- **Introduction to Old Testament Studies**
George Bristow

SIERRA LEONE

- **Disciple Making**
Jozsef Steiner

ESTONIA

- **Homiletics**
Leonid Mikhovich

SIERRA LEONE

- **Disciple Making**
Jozsef Steiner

Online

- **Hebrew 2**
Konstantin Nazarov
- **Advanced Research and Writing**
JK Stevens
- **Christian Ethics**
Meego Rimmel
- **Servant Leadership**
Kaleb Heitzman
- **History of Christian Theology 2**
Oti Bunaciu

Haus Edelweiss

SESSION 4 | JULY 2-8

- **Small Groups Ministry**
David Roadcup
- **Introduction to New Testament Studies**
Dumitru Sevastian
- **Transforming Leadership**
Timotei Rusu
- **Worldview and Religions**
Mihai Malancea

SESSION 5 | AUGUST 20-26

- **Theology and Practice of Worship**
Fred Meadows
- **Survey of Church History**
Yulia Lubenets
- **Mission Theology**
Mihai Malancea

SESSION 6 | SEPTEMBER 17-23

- **Introduction to New Testament Studies**
Konstantin Nazarov
- **Servant Leadership**
Megan Herring
- **Systematic Theology**
Jozsef Kovacs
- **Apologetics and Culture**
Bruce Little





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President's Outlook

Ready for some back story?

You know that the culture of TCM is prayerful, faithful disciple making. You also know that our vision is for every nation to have trained leaders in place impacting churches, countries, and cultures for Christ. What you may not know is how this culture developed to shape us.

Under communism, you could not control anything. Those people our founder Gene Dulin met emigrating from the former Soviet Union to North America were also quite powerless. So they prayed together. Not really knowing what to do. And two questions got TCM going: "What do you need?" and "How can we help?" We just "got-going" together. Ministry Services.

Bibles, clothing, food, medicine, informal teaching. Always with prayer since we had very little to give and even less to control. Seemingly small steps. One at a time.

As we prayed, focused on His Commission to all of us, we took more steps together, and matured in Christ. Our informal

relationships and shared mission became an Institute of Higher Learning.

With a BIG difference. "Higher" meant giving God all glory as He accomplishes miracles through us. Learning means discovering ways to obey Him and fulfill His Commission better as our love for Him and each other grows. And watching our small circle of relationships grow into an increasingly global family of networks - with increased multiplication of ministry servants and services.

These two simple questions asked by ordinary followers of Jesus did something extraordinary. They helped create a TCM culture of prayerful, faithful disciple making (and still do!). A culture of multiplication rapidly leading us toward Every Nation.

Only God. And, as always...

All glory to Him!

Tony