



# Joy on the Journey

"May the God of hope fill you with all JOY and peace as you trust in Him," Romans 15:13



## Incredible growth towards Vision 2020!

Crossover emphasizes that to be a Biblical church, they must be self-sustaining and reproducing. The ministry in Central Asia is a strategic ministry of getting access to the gospel to the Muslim world.

On April 25th, we were given a report from our President of Crossover in Moldovia that was incredible. Pictured above is the annual meeting for most of the Uzbek national leaders. About 25 men spent time praying, studying, reporting, and making goals for next year.

He said never before have Persian, Russian, Chinese, Korean, Iranian, Usbeckian believers combined forces, praying together, and working together in such a way.

**Their Vision:** get Bible teachers, gain Biblical thinking, get access to training books, and learn to think strategically.

The church planters there were able to share the gospel with 1,000 people in Uzbekistan and from that 100 were baptized and they are reporting 6 new church plants. Also there were 10 new churches in Tajikistan.



**"The path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, which shines brighter and brighter until full day."** Proverbs 4:18

One of the joys of my job is coming alongside young, newly appointed missionaries as they process where the Lord is leading. This young lady was

born in Turkey, was adopted, and grew up in the U.S. Now she is returning to Turkey be a missionary! The role of Member Care is to make sure she is equipped while she makes arrangements to gain her Turkish citizenship, find housing in Turkey, and get enrolled in a Turkic university to begin work among students.

**"The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest."** Luke 10:2



**"God calls.  
Some never respond.  
Others respond but do not qualify.  
Some qualify but never complete  
the assignment.  
Called ones, who respond, who qualify,  
AND complete God's assignment are a  
very select company indeed."**

**May God complete the good work He began in us.**

## EQUIPPING FOR SERVICE

I am now officially a trained Missionary Consultant. That just means I get to begin! Pray that God grows me in truly becoming a useful servant in this role ministering to missionaries living in difficult locations & under the stress of working among the unreached people's groups.

Thanks to those who joined me in praying about French language learning. Within one week, I met one French-speaking M.K. (pictured below), and then was invited to a prayer meeting where we all sing and fellowship in French! **"Immeasurably MORE that all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is within us, to Him be glory."** Eph 3:20

### M.K. Corner

Meet a bunch of M.K.S! Mirium (below on left) meets with me twice a week for conversational French. She introduced me to Priscilla & many French speakers & then lots of internationals here on campus! M.Ks, are a great investment!



**"Therefore we are Christ's Ambassadors, as if God were making His appeal through us."** 2 Corinthians 5:20

## Traveling overseas: May 17-June 16

### Two weeks in Turkey:

I will be meeting our missionaries. I will visit the "Cleft of the Rock", a refuge center for missionaries. I will attend the Global World Conference, 58 guests representing 9 nationalities from all over the globe will attend. To read about it, go to <http://crossovergc.wordpress.com>.

### Two weeks in Tripoli:

Then, I will be making my 3<sup>rd</sup> trip to Tripoli, Lebanon. Most of you know that I could not go this past summer due to the political unrest, violence, and even bombings.

There is a heavy sense of discouragement among the believers. I am very excited to be able to help strengthen the church and give words of encouragement.

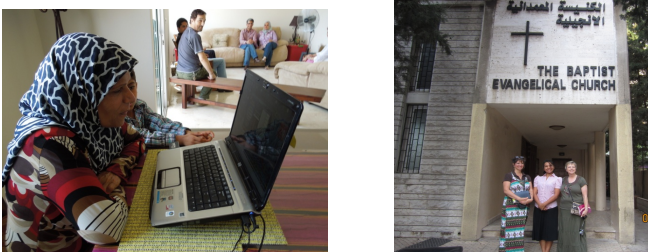
I will train teachers in the church who have shown interest in working with children. God has put it in my heart to work alongside our church planters among the unreached to encourage, bring support and develop work with children.

I will also introduce Celebrate Recovery to the prison in Tripoli and to the women at the House of Hope.

1. Teach church workers how to do a VBS and Sunday School for children, direct a mini-VBS for perhaps 50 children.
2. Encourage the "singles" to evangelize; share my testimony



4. Help in the launching of the ESL program
5. Prayer walks around the area of the House of Hope
6. Work in the prison introducing Celebrate Recovery



(These are photos from my previous trips.)

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Andrew Murray

~Pray for my travel to Turkey and Lebanon, May 17-June 16, especially for the 2 weeks in Tripoli to be very fruitful.

~ Praise God for those who face persecution and danger on a daily basis, especially in Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, and Kyrgyzstan. Last year had higher persecution than the last 10 years, many arrests and fines for church planting.

~Pray for my 4 M.K.s. Kyle, Ryan, and Rebecca are in Texas, Cameron & his wife Raechyl serving in China who will be coming home on a short furlough in July.

~I was able to speak in French with the secretary of our President of CCI Moldova. Praise God!

~ Pray for my Member Care Team's VISION:

To Flood the Nations with Emotionally, Spiritually, Physically Healthy, Vision Driven, Fully-Funded Great Commission Workers going into the Harvest Fields.

~ I'm grateful for my sending church, Imago Dei Church. They were so kind to launch my support! I have gone from 3 supporters to 8; I praise God!

I pray you will be excited about partnering me in what God is doing among the unreached people groups.

I need you.

**Please prayerfully considering partnering with me.**

"I will venture to go down, you must hold the ropes!"

(William Carey, missionary to Indonesia, 1800s)

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In Him for His service,  
Joanna Parham



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