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*Greetings from Europe!*

*Dear Pastors, delegates, partners, and friends of the Harvest Conference...*

*This coming June Susy and I will be entering our eighteen years of ministry. We appreciate your continued commitment to helping us accomplish God's plan for the continent of Europe. Thanks for being there for us, especially in your prayers! Remember, we are an extension of your ministry in Europe!*

**The FMC Europe equips** national leaders to make and multiply disciples, as we **engage** with the Gospel of transformation and **establish** multiplying, transformational churches.

**Some of the highlights of the last twelve months...**

*Europe has not experienced a humanitarian crisis like this since WWII. More than six million Ukrainian refugees have entered bordering countries, with another seven million displaced. Europe is at the epicenter of the refugee crisis as the continuation of wars in the middle east, and now Ukraine has produced nearly half of all refugees in the world. I believe God is doing something new in the midst of this great crisis. This will not only change the continent, but it will also change the church in Europe. My prayer is the church will not only respond with food, housing, and medical care but will see the opportunity to engage with the Gospel of transformation.*



**In response to the ongoing refugee crisis. Our Churches across Europe are responding:**

- **Belgium**- is receiving many refugees, as well. With resettled refugees, small group are being started and planted in France and Sweden.
- **Bulgaria** - The St. Johns Girl's Home in Kyustendil is housing 8 Ukrainian refugees (5 women and 3 children).
- **Greece** - The church in Thessaloniki has been a temporary house for many refugees in recent years. During their time there, they are personally shown love and care as well as sharing the love of God. Afghanistan refugees are being reached with Bible studies in camps, aid distribution, language classes, a women's club, apartment visitations in Thessaloniki, and more! The Church outreach activities include English and Greek classes, youth clubs, a Zoom Bible study, and leadership meetings.
- **Hungary**- Missionaries are working hard to support individuals and share God's love towards those affected by the war. They are crossing Ukraine in cities like Kyiv, Odesa, Mariupol, Rivne sending financial help and material aids. They are also helping many refugees, families, and individuals in the surrounding Countries outside of Ukraine. We believe, "As Jesus raised Lazarus, so we trust that the people of Ukraine will be resurrected in faith."
- **Spain**- Is working with trusted partners that support refugees with lodging, food, transportation, and PTSD counseling. The local church in Rivas-Vaciamadrid will be hosting a summer camp for disenfranchised children from high conflict and war-torn countries.



**Regional updates and praise reports.**

**Balkans Region:** This region is comprised of the countries of Bulgaria and North Macedonia. Together with the Balkans provisional Annual Conference. The countries of Albania and Greece have recently been added as mission districts.

- 45 churches have been established or planted in the last few years in Bulgaria and N. Macedonia.
- The work in Greece has been mainly in the city of Thessaloniki. They're made up of Greeks, Iranians, Arabs, and Africans. They are training leaders for each group and raising second-generation young leaders to establish multicultural ministries.

- Albania is the newest ministry field in the region. There will be an official ministry launch in May. We're expecting fifty volunteers, international and local leaders.
- The Balkans works with many trusted partners in Europe and US. Set Free has been one of our main partners.

**Central/East Europe Region:** This region is comprised of Hungary, Romania, Ukraine, and Creative Access "P" We have two open-door opportunities we are exploring. Croatia and Moldova.

- With the current war and brewing conflicts in the region, our ministries have had to adapt to the ever-changing situations. The ministries are responding and are overwhelmed with great needs. War victims need safe shelter, food, fuel, clothing, and much more.
- Our churches in Hungary are partnering with trusted agencies that are supporting the humanitarian crisis.
- We currently have churches in Budapest, Győr, and Pecs. New locations are being explored.
- In Arad, Romania, our team serves the poorest of the poor.

**Northern Europe Region:** This region is comprised of, Belgium, France, and Sweden. We have several open opportunities in Germany and Nederland.

- The FMC presence in Belgium is: in Brussels, Leaven, and Ostend
- In France, we have churches in Paris and the central capital district
- Our newest work is Sweden. Establish in August 2021. These are mainly African refugees resettled by the European Union. God is using this situation to plant diaspora churches in Europe. The Sweden leaders have planted two churches, with more planned in the coming years.



**Southern Europe Region:** This region is comprised of Portugal, Spain, and São Tomé & Príncipe. We have several open opportunities in Italy and Southern France.

- Portugal: The FMC has a presence in Portugal since 1999. There are currently two churches, both in the capital of Lisbon.
- Portugal is a Mission District, with missional projects in São Tomé & Príncipe (church-in-formation), and other regions in the country.
- Spain is a Mission District: There are currently nine churches in six provinces. On the peninsular and the Canary Islands.
- *The John Wesley Seminary is training national leaders and is implementing new church planting methodologies to start Faith Communities throughout the country.*
- We welcomed Rev. Raúl and Abi. International missionaries, giving leadership to the local church Rivas (Madrid). Raúl will serve as Spain's National director, while Abi serves as Admin Assist. to the Area Director. Abi also serves as the ICCM coordinator for Europe.
- *Spain has received four new Ordinands and one CMC*

Helpful resources/videos, etc. for your church: follow these links: [www.fmc-europe.org](http://www.fmc-europe.org) ; [www.impacteurope.org](http://www.impacteurope.org) ;

To partner with us: Josh & Susy Fajardo - <https://give.fmcusa.org/donation/df-msefajardo>

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To help with the refugee crisis: <https://give.fmcusa.org/page.aspx?pid=1278>



Thank you for partnering with us in reaching the people of Europe. We pray the Lord will use us to grow His kingdom for His glory!

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