

LADAGE UPDATE

Church planting catalysts in Central & Eastern Europe



Moscow Training

The last day of training in Moscow was Bobby's 61st birthday, so the brothers gathered around him and prayed. They also sang a beautiful a cappella rendition of the song, "It is Well with My Soul," singing all of the verses by memory. We were deeply touched as we listened and remembered years ago when all of the church planter training and conferences in Russia started with singing. The three days were long and intense, but we were thrilled to see the gospel advancing in a city that is so desperate for thriving churches. **Please pray for more church planters in Moscow.**

As soon as the training was over, we hopped on a plane to Birmingham, England where we met with 3 pastors who are leading the City to City church planting network in the UK. After 2 days of hearing their vision and seeing the city, we were convinced God is leading us to move there. As I wrote in my last letter, I'm reluctant to give up my apartment in Berlin and relocate again, but over the past several weeks God has changed my heart to align with his will. After he revealed my idols of comfort and security, I realized I was not looking to Jesus as my only source of comfort and security. He alone is enough!

We have a small window in November to return to Birmingham to find an apartment for a move in December. Between now and then we have trips to Stockholm, Helsinki, Krakow, Gdansk, Kiev, and Bucharest. At the end of October, there will be a City to City conference in Krakow where Tim Keller will speak. We have close to 500 pastors, church planters, and leaders registered. **Please pray for this event, which is the springboard for fulfilling the goal of 400 new churches in the next 5 years in Europe.**

Pray in the meantime, we will not become anxious but will rest in the knowledge that God is in control, and he will find us an apartment we can afford in Birmingham. Also, pray for us to be able to sell our furniture in Berlin.

I appreciate so much all of the prayers and words of encouragement we received from you since our last update. You have been such a blessing! My struggles have been minor compared to what most of you experience but none of you ever made me feel bad. I praise God for giving us such a community of caring friends and family. Thank you again for supporting us in so many ways!

In Him, Teresa



Above we are standing in front of The Library of Birmingham, which is the largest regional library in the United Kingdom. It was built 5 years ago as part of the redevelopment project for the city.