



Opportunity Knocks

Brothers and sisters,

It is hard to believe, but Sixteen:Fifteen has been unleashing churches across the country to reach

peoples all over the world for over ten years. By God's grace, we have coached churches from coast to coast who today are deploying focused, comprehensive strategies to shine forth the light of Christ among hidden, forgotten and marginalized peoples around the world. God's favor is on the ministry of Sixteen:Fifteen. We are growing in remarkable ways and new opportunities are before us. It seems like everywhere I go I encounter more and more churches who are no longer content to serve only in support roles, they want to do missions in a way that is meaningful to them, bears their unique finger prints, and engages the gifts, talents, and passions of their people.

This translates into massive opportunities for Sixteen:Fifteen. In this edition of Unleashed, we want to give you, our faithful partners, a glimpse into three key areas of ministry expansion we believe could lead to a massive outpouring of the Gospel to the nations. Therefore, we need your prayers like never before. With new opportunities comes opposition. We can't do this without your prayers. Please pray for Sixteen:Fifteen as we step forward in faith with these new, exciting opportunities.

Also, do not forget, Sixteen:Fifteen is able to receive your quality non-cash donations in addition to cash and credit card donations. Visit our website and see how simple it is to donate non-cash items online.

We thank YOU. Through your partnership, you have made this possible.

Matthew Ellison
President, Church Missions Coach

Already, Sixteen:Fifteen has received a request from a church denomination to offer a coaching process for smaller churches as a resource to their member churches. Our goal is to make missions coaching resources available to them and others for which the full missions coaching process is inaccessible.

3. Enlarging Our Global Footprint

Sixteen:Fifteen has formed a relationship with CAMA, the Christian and Missionary Alliance in Holland. CAMA is the missions



agency for the ABC denomination in the Netherlands. Matthew Ellison has taken three CAMA employees through the Sixteen:Fifteen missions coach training. These new coaches in Holland are "on fire" to say the least and have the approval of their denomination to coach churches. CAMA has two missions coaches and one office support staff. In addition to shadowing Matthew Ellison for several weeks in the United States this fall, one of their coaches will participate in the coaching process for smaller churches with Sixteen:Fifteen in early 2015. Though there are quite a few ABC churches who are candidates for the full 3D process, coaching for smaller churches will be widely employed in Holland. What a thrilling opportunity to join with God as He mobilizes many churches in Holland to reach the nations. »



Growth Potential

UNLEASHING WORLDWIDE
MISSIONS POTENTIAL,
COMPASSION AND
GENEROSITY

3 KEY OBJECTIVES FOR 2014-2015

As Sixteen:Fifteen grows to meet the demand of churches desiring to be Unleashed to make Christ known among all nations, the following three objectives were conceived to faithfully and strategically put our vision into practice:

1. Increasing Our Capacity to Unleash Churches

More and more churches are seeking to take an active role in missions rather than just a passive, supporting role. The Sixteen:Fifteen pipeline is full of

such churches. To handle this growing demand, we recently added a new Church Missions Coach, Asher Sarjent to meet the expanding opportunities. Meet Asher in this edition of Unleashed and read about his passion to unleash churches.

2. Expanding Our Services to Serve Smaller Churches

Sixteen:Fifteen is developing a missions coaching approach aimed to mobilize smaller churches. Many churches who desire missions coaching are not able to engage in the process because of the lack of financial resources and leadership. To meet the needs of these smaller churches, Sixteen:Fifteen is developing a coaching process for smaller churches that can simultaneously take four to six churches through the missions coaching process over a three month period.





New Coach

SIXTEEN:FIFTEEN WELCOMES NEW COACH ASHER SARJENT

Q & A with Asher Sarjent

Sixteen:Fifteen team as a Church Missions Coach and I am excited to see what the Lord will do in and through us as we seek to help the church engage in God's heart for the nations.

Sixteen:Fifteen: Is there a scripture that has influenced you on your personal journey and current course your life is taking you?

AS: I have discovered that the most important characteristic of Christlikeness is having a Great Commission heart. Matthew 24:14 tells us: "this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will



come." I realize that God has called the local church to be His vehicle to take His Word to the nations and I therefore, personally feel the most effective way to aid in my Lord's return and help others to become Christ like, is to work with the local church as a missions coach in helping them discover and use their unique gifts in partnership with others to make Christ known among all nations. »

Sixteen:Fifteen: What Gets You Up In the Morning?

AS: I don't want to seem like I am over spiritualizing why I love mornings, but it's because of God and the gift of His Son that causes me to love mornings. Years ago, Paul's words to the Colossians challenged me to want to live my life in such a way that I could write these same words: "We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ." (Col. 1:28) Thus, I can't wait to get up so I can be a part of someone else's journey to become more like Christ...this is what I live for.

Sixteen:Fifteen: Tell us about your journey in joining Sixteen:Fifteen as a Church Missions Coach

AS: My journey began with my training, education and short-term missions experiences. I graduated from Multnomah Bible College in Portland, OR. with a BA in Religious studies and have a Masters of Theology Degree from Bakke Graduate School of Ministry. I served in the local church for sixteen years as a youth pastor, and most recently served fifteen years with DELTA Ministries International. Over the years, I have facilitated hundreds of church based, short-term, multi-generational teams, and connected with close to five hundred churches and their missions programs. Throughout my journey in ministry, God has given me the opportunity to meet many people. I have had the privilege of walking beside them on their own personal road to Christlikeness. God's Kingdom has been expanded and churches have become engaged in taking the gospel to the ends of the earth. My desire is to come alongside a church or individual to enable them to experience missions. I want to broaden people's perspective on what God is doing around the world and how they can have an active part in reaching others for Jesus Christ. My greatest joy is seeing someone realize that they can be used by God. I want to reach out and assist others, and in doing so, become more Christ like and take His Word to the ends of the earth. It is a joy to join the

Forgotten People Remembered

The status quo is changing. With the assistance of Sixteen:Fifteen and its innovative 3D process, churches across North America are deploying comprehensive strategies to shine forth the light of Christ among these once hidden, forgotten or marginalized peoples.

- *The Silver Palaung of Burma*
- *The Fra Fra of West Africa*
- *Iraqi Arabs of the Middle East*
- *Middle Atlas Berbers of Morocco*
- *Arabic Muslims of North Africa*
- *Guaymi of Panama*
- *Rabinal Achi of Guatemala*
- *Tarahumara of Central Mexico*
- *Behdini Kurds of the Middle East*
- *Digo of Kenya*
- *Huichol of West Central Mexico*
- *Sikhs of Vancouver, BC and Punjab N India*
- *Ligbi of Ghana*
- *Wolof of Senegal*
- *Isan of NE Thailand*

We are thankful for the financial support we receive from our faithful donors. You enable us to coach more churches, to reach more forgotten peoples around the world. Thank you!

Upcoming Events

8-13-2014

Community to Community Webinar

9-11-2014

REDUCe Webinar with Denny Spitters

10-22-2014

Engage Global Webinar with Rick Davis

11-20-2014

REDUCe Conference, Nashville TN.

For more detailed events information visit 1615.org/events.

Featured Resource

Recommended Book



Mission Drift – The Unspoken Crises Facing Leaders, Charities, and Churches by Peter Greer & Chris Horst with Anna Haggard

No organization is exempt from the danger of drifting away from its original mission. In *Mission Drift*, the authors provide solid guidance for remaining focused on its core values – from the board to daily organizational culture. This book provides a timely message for any organization working hard to stay Missions True. You can find this book on Amazon.com.



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