

KINGDOM BUILDING MINISTRIES



Spring 2008

fueling a movement of Kingdom Laborers ...worldwide

A Laborership Story: Kenya, Africa

KBM INTERNATIONAL AND SPEAKER, CALEB BISLOW, WITNESS THE LAUNCH OF A LABORERSHIP MOVEMENT IN MAASAILAND

During recent months God has created strategic opportunities for Kingdom Building Ministries to partner with key international leaders. In April KBM's international director, Nate Hoot, and speaker, Caleb Bislow, witnessed the fulfillment of one of these opportunities among the remote Maasai people of southern Kenya.

The Burden. For the past four years Caleb and key Maasai evangelist, Simon, have collaborated on a mutual, God-given vision to launch an indigenous, (originating from within the culture) disciple-making movement throughout Maasailand.

The Exodus. On April 15-26, 2008 the vision became a reality! In spite of the thousands of hours that both Americans and Maasai logged planning this initiative God orchestrated every detail with precision! In a matter of 10 days thirty Maasai teams were trained in key disciple-making strategies and then sent out to thirty previously "GPSed" locations throughout 15,000 square miles of Maasailand. "Watching the [Exodus] teams leave for the bush gave me unexplainable chills and dropped me to my knees. Praise God!" ~Caleb Bislow



The Celebration. After The Exodus more than 100 Maasai gathered to report and celebrate the powerful work God started among their people.

- ◆ 1,475 people received Christ.
- ◆ Many villages heard of Christ for the first time.
- ◆ One team immediately went back into the bush to fuel the disciple-making movement.
- ◆ Teams launched new "church plants" (disciple-making movements) in 34 village locations.
- ◆ Some entire villages responded to the gospel.
- ◆ God deeply burdened the hearts of numerous Maasai pastors from 11 different denominations to reach and disciple fellow Maasai for Christ.

To follow-up and fuel this movement, a unique ministry in the US called the Keystone Project will provide specialized "disciple-making movement" training for three key Maasai leaders this fall.

KBM Central: Key Updates

ITINERANT SPEAKERS

After taking three years to start a new, inner-city church in Minneapolis, MN dynamic itinerant speaker, Efrem Smith, has rejoined the KBM speaker team! He has since accepted several strategic speaking events, including the Zondervan Pastor's Conference in San Diego (February 26-29) and the Willow Creek Leadership Conference (August 7-8) in Chicago. Willow Creek will simulcast his conference message to more than 50,000 people around the world. Visit www.kbm.org for more information on Efrem's two books, *Raising Up Young Heroes*, and *The Hip-Hop Church*.



KBM president, speaker and author, Dwight Robertson, recently signed with Walgemuth & Associates, a literary agency from Orlando, Florida. Dwight and his writing collaborator, Mark Vermilion, are excited about the potential this partnership has to maximize the distribution and ministry impact of Dwight's messages through future book projects.

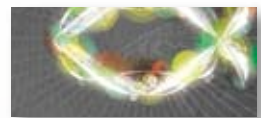


Year-to-date ministry results:

event attendance ~ 43,879
first-time decisions for Christ ~ 1,123
recommitments to Christ ~ 9,246
spiritual decisions made ~ 14,472

KBM EVENTS CALENDAR:

Summer Festival Highlights



**ICHTHUS
MUSIC
FESTIVAL**

June 12-14, Wilmore, Kentucky

Four KBM speakers (John Vermilya, Efrem Smith, Caleb Bislow & Charlie Alcock) will represent a strong KBM speaking presence at this year's *Ichthus Music Festival*. KBM and Ichthus are also teaming up for a music tour and a youth camp in the summer of 2009. Learn more at www.ichthusministries.org.



**BIG
TICKET
FESTIVAL**

June 20-21, Gaylord, Michigan

Adrian Despres, John Vermilya and Caleb Bislow will be speaking at this "family-oriented" music festival in Gaylord, Michigan. Learn more at www.bigticketfestival.com.



**THE
GOD
RALLY**

June 21-22, Rifle, Colorado

Foster Christy and Dwight Robertson will be speaking at this new festival on Colorado's Western Slope. Learn more at www.godrally.com.



**HEAVEN-
FEST**

July 24, Denver, Colorado

KBM is involved in sponsoring the new festival, *Heavenfest*, in its own backyard. Dwight Robertson will be speaking at the closing rally. Learn more at www.heavenfest.com.

Visit www.kbm.org to view KBM's comprehensive Itinerant Speaking Calendar.



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During the last week of August KBM speakers, Dwight Robertson and Norm & Becky Wretlind, are scheduled to hold Plan A training conferences for 500 local Indian pastors in the key Indian cities of Delhi and Hyderabad. KBM is joining a national host agency, Neighborhope-India, to implement a strategic vision designed to empower the Christian leaders of India to equip thousands of Kingdom Laborers who are passionate about reaching their communities for Christ.



Visit www.kbm.org to view KBM's entire itinerant speaker roster. Call (800) 873-8957 to schedule a KBM speaker for your event.

LABORER TRAINING

As the busy summer season approaches, we continue to strategically develop KBM's discipleship training initiatives. This summer marks the second year of *16 Days*, a physically, emotionally and spiritually intense training program for youth. This year's action-packed adventure guides students through a broad range of ministry related activities and experiences ...all on the road, while driving from Denver, CO to Seattle, WA.



Also this summer, KBM is reintroducing the young adult *Laborers Institute* under a new title. *The Experience* pilot program, a revamped version of "TLI", is scheduled to launch on Memorial Day 2008. It includes intensive, up-close training with KBM speakers and a ministry service experience in Liberia, West Africa.



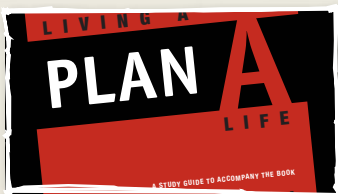
For *16 Days* information visit www.16daysontheroad.com or email info@16daysontheroad.com. For more information about *The Experience* visit www.kbm.org or email ti@kbm.org.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH RESOURCES

As God continues to expand KBM's speaking roster (our Messengers) and multiply our speaking venues (opportunities to deliver our Messages), he is also growing our ability to develop and produce Kingdom-building spiritual growth tools. Under the leadership of vice president Mark Vermilion, KBM Media is poised to release a number of new resource products this year.



Three new message CDs are in production: *Two Wings that Soar* (a two-CD series on prayer and praise), by Dwight Robertson; *The Cure* (a powerful message on God's grace), by Foster Christy; and *Transformers* (a high-energy message on God's transformational work in our lives), by Efrem Smith.



If you've read the book, *Plan A...And There's No Plan B*, by Dwight Robertson with Mark Vermilion you'll be excited to know the study guide/leader's guide, *Living a Plan A Life*, is now available! In addition, the Plan A Audio Book (featuring the voice of Dwight Robertson) will be available later this fall.

Fuel is a new line of audio devotionals. They are designed to pair inspiring devotional thoughts from various KBM speakers with original music (produced by Joe Vermilya). Watch for the release of volume one this summer!

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Who are the people tomorrow who'll say "thank you" to the faithful of today?



After a recent speaking event in South Dakota a young couple came up to me trembling, saying, "We can't believe what you've just told us. God has been challenging us for months about our neighborhood. We've prayed about it. We've laid awake in bed about it not sure what to do. Hearing you share tonight that God has a specific, unique plan for our lives has confirmed that God is calling us to intentionally reach out to our neighbors!"

I so often encounter individuals just waiting for someone to tell them that God has a plan for their life *today*. In spite of our desire to see tomorrow's realities today, it's true that we'll probably never fully visualize how our present faith and obedience impacts lives *behind* us. There is no doubt that God has a very specific plan for *your* life ...a life who's impact won't fully be realized in this generation ...or the next ...or the next. I believe God is ready and waiting to release the "tomorrows" of other people's journeys through your faith and obedience today.

I wanted to share with you that this redeveloped KBM newsletter is intended not only to keep you up to date with the work God continues to do through KBM, but our hope is to also personally encourage you as we walk the laborership journey together. We always welcome any opportunity you may have to share with us the work God is doing in your heart and life! (laborers@kbm.org)

For the King & Kingdom,

Dwight Robertson

Get involved!

For 22 years a key team of Kingdom Laborers (prayer warriors, investors & volunteers) have empowered KBM to reach new heights! If God may be calling you to invest time, prayer or resources for His Kingdom advancement through KBM please return the enclosed response card or contact:

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