



Here in Jerusalem, with the Mount of Olives in view, we remember Jesus' promise that the Gospel would be preached throughout the whole world as a witness to all nations. Today, the signs of the times align with His words.

Dear Ministry Friend,

At the beginning of the year, who could have imagined how turbulent our world would become before Easter? Wars are raging, and the winds of unrest are sweeping across the globe. This is what we read in the headlines — every day.

The Great Commission Needs A Miracle-Working God

Jesus knew that carrying out the Great Commission would require God's supernatural involvement. Humanly speaking, the task was far too great. Without God's presence, the Great Commission would be left unfinished. "You will receive power...I am with you always ..."

Over the course of conducting 110 Mega City Campaigns, each city has experienced a remarkable move of God. The Mumbai campaign reached approximately 50 million people in Mumbai and across the state of Maharashtra. Greater Mumbai alone has a population of 28 million, and half a million people shared their contact information for follow-up.

Signs Of The Times: "Time Is Short!"

The Gospel of Matthew tells us how, only just a few days before Easter, the disciples came to Jesus at the Mount of Olives and asked him:

"Tell us, what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?" (Matt. 24:3)

The Great Commission Continues Amidst War

Jesus answered them: "You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed, for these things must happen. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. Many false prophets will arise and deceive many. Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold." (Matt. 24:6-8). But take note...

Keeping Our Focus On The Great Commission

"This gospel of the kingdom will be preached throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come." (Matt. 24:14)

As followers of Jesus, we prepare ourselves for this. We want to be fully committed to reaching our generation with the Gospel!

We will not neglect our calling, even as the nations of the world experience the beginnings of "birth pains." (Matt. 24:8)

Jesus reminded us that a day of accountability is coming (Matt. 25:19). We, too, must give an account of how we have managed the talents entrusted to us.

Three Million Israelis Suffer From Trauma Of War



Following an Iranian missile strike, Israeli soldiers search for victims in the rubble of a residential building in the city of Bat Yam. Israel's Iron Dome defense system was breached, and Iranian attacks have taken a heavy psychological toll on millions of its citizens.

The latest phase of the regional conflict in the Middle East has continued for more than a month. Israel has come under repeated Iranian missile attacks, and not all missiles have been intercepted.

Three Million Trauma Books Are Needed!

From the Persian Gulf, Iran; from Lebanon, Hezbollah; from Gaza, Hamas; and from the Red Sea, Yemen have launched hundreds, even thousands, of missiles at Israel. These attacks have left more than three million Israelis carrying deep emotional wounds from war.

Hebrew Edition Underway

An evangelistic book on overcoming war trauma, originally produced for Ukraine, is now being translated into Hebrew and Russian for Israel. Reports indicate that many Israelis are experiencing similar conditions of trauma as Ukrainians—post-traumatic stress, fear, and deep despair.

The book, “God’s Psychiatry” is based on King David’s Psalm 23. He speaks of his own trauma, writing that He—the Good Shepherd—restores his soul.

”The Goliath Slayer”

David’s cruel banishment from the palace, as the slayer of Goliath, cast him into the unknown. Perhaps he had to leave his family with hurried good-byes. Dreams and hopes were shattered in an instant. David was declared a wanted man, a fugitive. Yesterday’s war hero flees for his life.

The former shepherd, a traumatized David, writes from his own experience: God restores my wounded soul. In the valley overshadowed by the terror of death, the Good Shepherd walks beside me, and His presence drives away my fear.

Moments In The Valley Of Darkness

In the darkest moments of David’s life, his refuge was the Shepherd—who prepared a table for him in the presence of his enemies as he walked through the valley.

A special edition of the book is being planned for Israel. In mid-January, we were in Israel helping move this project forward with local church leaders. The newly published Ukrainian edition is titled, “A Return Journey from the Darkness”.

Evangelistic Trauma Book In Distribution In Ukraine

This year, millions of Ukrainians celebrated Easter somberly, in effect, experiencing life in the shadow of the Good Friday sufferings. PTSD has left millions bearing deep wounds in their souls.

According to the World Health Organization, most Ukrainians are suffering from war-related trauma. Symptoms include grief, anxiety, depression, apathy, insomnia, difficulty with concentration, memory lapses, and more. Others experience unexplained pain and a persistent sense of physical distress.

According to a study, 90 percent of participants had been exposed to traumatic events such as air raids (99%), taking shelter in bunkers (72 %),

witnessing the destruction of infrastructure (64%), and hearing gunfire (52%).

When a person remains in a state of hypervigilance for a prolonged period, the consequences can be severe, affecting both mental and physical health. The first 10,000 copies of the trauma care book ordered by the defense forces are being distributed.

The wounds of the soul need healing medicine from the Word of God. In Psalm 23, David declares that God restores the soul (23:3) and that the Good Shepherd leads us safely through even life's darkest experiences.



Ethiopia's Time Has Come



Ethiopia has a population of 138 million. The largest ethnic groups are the Oromo and the Amhara. Over 40 percent of the population adheres to Coptic Christianity, while more than a third follow Islam. Ethiopia shares its borders with Eritrea and Djibouti to the north, Somalia to the east, Kenya to the south, and Sudan and South Sudan to the west.





In March, a letter of intent for the Ethiopia Mega City Campaign was officially signed, and preparations began that very day. Representing the GCMM in signing and witnessing the agreement were Hannu Haukka, Executive Director; Kenneth Grönroos, GCMM Chairman Emeritus of the board; and Hani Henein, Director of Muslim Ministry. Lord willing, the evangelism campaign will begin towards the end of the year.



Photo: Dr. Lalissa Daniel, Head of Missions of the Mekane Yesus Evangelical Lutheran Church and Country Director of the Ethiopia mission; and Kenneth Grönroos, GCMM Chairman Emeritus of the board.

A young girl in traditional Ethiopian festive dress.

Targeting Four Million New Believers By 2029

Ethiopia has a population of 138 million. Its largest ethnic groups are the Oromo, Amhara, Tigray, and Somali. More than 40 percent of the population identifies with Coptic Christianity, while over a third are Muslim.

At the beginning of 2026, extensive preparations began for its large-scale urban media campaign in Ethiopia's capital, Addis Ababa. The campaign is expected to reach more than 100 million Ethiopians.

A key supporter of the campaign preparations will be a member of an evangelical church in Addis Ababa—the Prime Minister of Ethiopia.

A campaign book featuring Ethiopians' stories of transformed lives will be published in Amharic, Oromo, Tigrinya, and Somali.

In Ethiopia, 3,000 churches have joined the campaign prayer network. Prayer is central to every campaign and is the "DNA" of each Mega City Media Campaign outreach. The churches are praying that four million Ethiopians will come to know Jesus personally and choose to follow Him. A nationwide evangelism campaign on this scale will also require substantial funding.

We will follow the campaign's progress closely and will share monthly updates.

Russia's Religious Freedom is Over



The Red Square showcases both Tsarist Russia rule and the repressive Soviet Empire.

Russia's Freedom Of Religion Was Short-lived

The year was 1991. We were sitting in the Novosibirsk home of Professor Aleksander Link. I was expressing joy over the fact that, after seventy long years of atheism, a new era of freedom had finally arrived in Russia.

Soviet State TV Channel One had aired 52 of the best Bible stories as animated films. The series generated millions of viewer letters. Russia was awakening from decades of atheism.

Professor Link looked me and said: "Hannu, remember this—Russia has never been free, and it never will be..."

To me, those words were a cold shower. I couldn't understand what he was trying to say. However, the Soviet Union had just collapsed and the doors had swung wide open.

A new day of freedom had dawned. The Gospel would now be preached freely far and wide! What happened next is history:

1917-1991: The Rise Of An Atheistic Superpower

In Tsarist Russia, the communists seize power, giving rise to an atheistic superpower that launches widespread religious persecution. Christians are killed and imprisoned.

1991: The Soviet Empire Collapses

A season of freedom begins. An unprecedented proclamation of the Gospel sweeps across Russia and its neighboring countries.

2001: Prophetic Warning! Freedom Will Not Last!

In 2002, the well-known evangelist David Wilkerson addressed 4,000 pastors in Moscow. He appealed to them: "This season of freedom will not last long! You must do now what you have always intended to do."

2002: High Impact Gospel Campaigns Launch In 70 Russia's Major Cities

Unaware of what lay ahead, GCMM took the warning to heart and launched intensive Mega City Media Campaigns in seventy major cities across Russia and Central Asia. Through state television and radio—supported by newspapers, outdoor advertising, and local arena events—some 70 million people heard the message of the gospel.

2015: Russia Invades East Ukraine By Proxy

President Putin signs the restrictive Yarovaya law, tightening limits on religious freedom. Persecution returns to Russia, and large-scale Mega City Media Campaigns are brought to an end under pressure from the FSB (Federal Security Service, akin to Soviet-era KGB) and the Orthodox Church.

2017–2022: Millions of New Testaments, Evangelistic Books sent to Churches Across Russia

In an accelerated effort, GCMM began printing eight million campaign books, New Testaments, and Gospels of John to support evangelistic outreach through churches across Russia.

Egyptian Gospel Campaign Was Unbelievable

The Numbers Tell The Story

The campaign in Muslim-majority Egypt had its challenges, but it turned out to be more than we could have wished or prayed for.

Despite the restrictions of Islamic society, the campaign GCOMM saw unexpectedly strong response from week one of the campaign.

Egyptians spent a total of 45,600 hours watching stories of God's power to transform lives of fellow Egyptians via cell phone and computer.

There were shared testimonies of how Jesus has brought healing, restoration, and new direction and purpose in life through the Gospel.

Millions watched the campaign's evangelistic videos. The videos have been viewed by many millions of people indicating a deep spiritual hunger for truth. To date, 20,000 are in touch with campaign staff and 10,000 are in discipleship. Many have already been connected to local believers and Christian communities.



In Egypt, the viewers of the campaign's evangelistic video have far exceeded our expectations. The campaign message has reached over six million Egyptians, and feedback indicates that thousands have come to faith.

February 2022: Russia Invades Ukraine

Just weeks earlier, GCOMM had made the final payment to a printing house in Siberia for its last batch of printed materials. In February, Russia effectively closed its doors to public gospel outreach. The evangelical church was no longer allowed to use television, radio, or other major media channels to share its message.

2025–2026: The Internet Shuts Down

Russia tightens control and shuts down major social media platforms, including Facebook, YouTube, X, Instagram, WhatsApp, Telegram.

The government fears growing anti-war sentiment. While authorities continue to label the conflict in Ukraine a "special military operation", public awareness is growing that it is, in reality, a full-scale war.

Russia Goes Dark, The Soviet Empire Returns

David Wilkerson's prophetic warning to 4,000 Russian pastors in Moscow has come to pass. A return to the era of radio ministry is on the horizon, as broadcasts from outside Russia's borders cannot be effectively blocked.

MAJOR EVANGELISTIC THRUST IN MOLDOVA TO COME THIS FALL

We received an invitation at the end of March to travel to Chişinău, the capital of Moldova. God willing, we will make a brief visit to Moldova in the next month or two. The trip will aim to kick off preliminary preparations for a nationwide evangelism media campaign.

Campaign Date Set For Year End

Moldova is a small country with a population of 4 million. It borders Romania and Ukraine, and the Black Sea lies less than 30 kilometers away. The country gained its independence in 1991.

Moldova's Time Has Come?

During World War II, the Soviet Union occupied Moldova, and in 1940, it became the Moldavian Soviet Socialist Republic. This was followed by fifty years of Russification.

The collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991 led to Moldova's declaration of independence. A year later, in 1992, the Transnistrian war broke out.

The war left the Transnistrian region under strong Russian influence and closely aligned with Russia as well.



Your prayers and financial support are vital in bringing the Gospel to the people of our generation—those who have not yet heard the message of God's grace and love.

On behalf of myself, Laura, and the entire GCM team, I want to express our heartfelt thanks for your partnership and wish you a beautiful spring with God's abundant blessings.

Warm regards,

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CEO/Founder



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