

HAUS EDELWEISS GELEBRATING 50 YEARS



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50TH ANNIVERSARY OF HAUS EDELWEISS

by David Wright

In 1957 TCM was founded as Toronto Christian Mission. Gene and Lenora Dulin moved with their daughters Vanita and Karlita to Toronto to respond to God's call on their lives to "Go" and plant churches. At the time, Toronto was one of the fastest growing cities in the world. Upon arrival, challenges were many but trust and faith in God's call were greater and to the Lord's glory, much success occurred.

Progress through the years and God's providence along the way resulted in doors opening in Eastern Europe in the mid-60s that even an iron curtain could not keep shut. As the ministry pivoted to providing Bibles printed in Russian, Romanian, Ukrainian, and other languages to the underground churches operating throughout the region controlled by the USSR, TCM also provided medicine, food, blankets, clothing, and much more to the growing number of believers encountered.

Guided and sustained by prayer, the TCM staff grew and was blessed with volunteers from across the United States and Canada. Church leaders, college students, and their dedicated families gave time, talent, and treasure to support the mission's call to Take Christ to the Millions. After a nomad-like existence of traveling throughout Europe in Volkswagen campers, the Dulins believed it was time to develop some physical European roots to couple with TCM's spiritual commitment to the region. Of course, the search for the perfect location began with prayer.

Gene and Lenora Dulin concluded that the perfect place to locate a ministry headquarters would be Austria. Such a place would allow a more strategic and simpler entry into areas behind the iron curtain. One day as they were looking at available properties, they came upon a six-acre property in Heiligenkreuz, Austria. The property itself was vacant and in need of much repair. There was no running water, electricity was questionable, and any heat to be had was going to require coal. This was indeed a "fixer-upper." However, the location was perfect (in the Vienna Woods and only 20 miles from the Vienna airport and less than an hour to the Hungarian-Austria border).

The purchase took place in 1972 with an 18-month contract. Because of the faithful support of several families and churches, TCM was able to complete the payments in 17 months. Gene Dulin later provided a review of TCM's 1972, and he began

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY, HAUS EDELWEISS!

(From the April 1992 TCM Report)
by Tony Twist



100 years old! Completed in 1892, Haus Edelweiss has seen many changes since then. This six-acre property has served as a private residence, a home for pensioners, housing for the Russian army, and a ministry center. Today it is the headquarters and nerve center for TCM's ministry in Russia and Eastern and Central Europe, and a "launching pad" for traveling in-country for ministry.

Happy 100th Birthday, Haus Edelweiss! You are a place of beauty and hospitality. But you are much more. You have been dedicated to preparing national missionaries to reach people in Russia, Eastern and Central Europe. You are a place where leaders are discipled, assisted, equipped, and encouraged. You are a nerve center for evangelism and leadership training for people wanting to build their own churches and win their own countries for Christ. You are a launching pad from which missionaries go incountry to equip hundreds of nationals every year for Christian Service. May the next 100 years find you continuing to serve God's dear saints.













Gate Haus of Prayer

with the purchase of TCM's European Center for Evangelism; "That six acres of land with the Hospitality House and the other excellent facilities is indeed the center of evangelism. Without this base of operation right on the doorstep of those eastern European countries very little of the progress I'm writing about would have been possible." He went on to list ten of the ways that this place, that soon came to be known as Haus Edelweiss, had "served for God's glory":

- 1. A base from which TCM missionaries have traveled into Russia and all her satellites to preach and teach the gospel of Christ.
- 2. "Home" away from home for fifteen college-age missionary
- 3. Storage depot and distribution center for Bibles, brochures, study materials, supplies, tapes, clothes, and other needs such as food and medicine.
- 4. Home for four full-time missionary families in apartments at the Center.
- 5. Home for short-term visitors from behind the iron curtain.
- 6. Shelter for refugees from "over there."
- Resource Center as appropriate books and materials accumulated.
- 8. A place of rest for missionaries and other visitors from Western Europe, Canada, the United States, Asia, and Africa.
- 9. A base of operations for TCM missionaries working in Europe for short periods of time.
- 10. Home for short-term missionaries who have paid their own expenses to Europe to serve Christ for a few weeks or months.

2022 marks the 50th anniversary of TCM's purchase of Haus Edelweiss. Since its purchase there have been many changes. Buildings have been remodeled, updated, expanded, and in a couple of instances completely rebuilt. The Leadership Training Center was built in 1989-1990. The Cow Barn was rebuilt from the foundation up in 2013-14 and in 2021, the Gate Haus was remodeled and repurposed into what is now called the Gate Haus of Prayer.

There are many aspects of Haus Edelweiss that not only remain as Gene Dulin envisioned but their impact is now even more widely felt.

There are now seven families (Europeans and Americans) who live at Haus Edelweiss and serve the ministry full time. There are more than 200 volunteers who arrive at Haus Edelweiss (at their own expense) to be the hands and feet of Jesus as they serve hundreds of students annually from dozens of countries. The TCM staff and families are known, valued, and loved in the Heiligenkreuz and Baden communities because they are being salt and light for Jesus within the region.

Haus Edelweiss is the largest of TCM's 26 Mentoring Centers throughout the world and hosts faculty and students as they complete nearly 60 courses each year.

Throughout each year TCM staff welcomes guests from around the world who arrange to spend a night, take a tour, or do research in the vast library that houses more than 30,000 volumes and provides access to thousands of other books and resources via electronic libraries. These resources are also provided in a variety of languages to accommodate our students' and graduates' educational needs.

TCM continues to seek God's guidance as we cast the ministry's vision for the future. Looking back allows us to recognize more fully God's provision that has allowed TCM to be the mission it is today.

A LEGACY LIVES ON

by Megan Herring

Thirty years ago, Nancy Krafft went home to be with Jesus. And when she did so, a portion of her estate came to TCM. Against the pressures of her advisers, she left the funds unrestricted, trusting that TCM would use the funds as needed for the ministry. Little did she know how valuable her gift truly was. At the time of her gift, communism had just lifted in Eastern Europe, Russia, and neighboring countries opening wide the doors for Christian outreach and ministry in the formerly closed region. With her gift buttressing TCM's financial foundation, TCM developed into the full-scale training and disciple-making ministry it is today.

Thirty years later, TCM continues its mission of developing Christian leaders for significant service through higher education so that every nation will have effective leaders of disciple-making movements impacting their churches, cultures, and countries for Christ. Nancy's legacy includes all the disciples made through the influence of TCM over thirty years, and this legacy will continue to grow as the ministry of TCM continues to expand and train more disciple-making leaders throughout the world. Surely, she received the pleasure of hearing "Well done, good and faithful servant" not only for the direct activities of her own life, but also for the legacy she created through her estate gift to TCM.

Over these thirty years, TCM has received many estate gifts of all sizes, and each gift has contributed to fulfilling the Great Commission through the unique mission God has given TCM. Each legacy gift adds to the financial foundation of TCM and enables further ministry in a variety of ways. Some gifts helped finish projects at Haus Edelweiss, some gifts created scholarship funds for students, and some gifts enabled TCM to add faculty and staff. All gifts share in TCM's legacy of making disciples of all nations.

Like Nancy, much of our lives are spent raising families, building careers,

and preparing our foundations for retirement. We all want to make a difference in the world, be remembered fondly, and hear those words "Well done, good and faithful servant" when we meet Jesus. What lasting legacy are you building, and does it align with the values you most want to express? Here are some possible legacies you can leave:

A legacy of provision. Nearly 70 percent of Americans do not have an up-to-date will. That means the majority of the people you know have yet to 'get their financial house in order.' But an up-to-date estate plan is not only good stewardship of the resources you've been given - it also

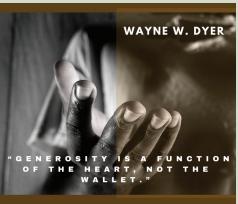
> establishes a plan to ensure your loved ones are provided for and any minor children will be raised by the guardian of your choosing.

> A legacy of love. Many people are incorporating the idea of an "ethical will" into their estate planning. An ethical will passes along the riches of the heart. Personal letters, special family stories, affirmations of love, and your own life stories make an ethical will a rich and enduring gift.

> A legacy of generosity. What causes and ministries have you felt connected to throughout your life? Would you consider leaving them a gift in your will? Planning a legacy gift to TCM is a powerful way to communicate your values

and inspire loved ones to think about how they may practice generosity in their lives too.

In 2022, TCM will be intentionally sharing more information about estate planning and planned giving so that you may be equipped to think through your legacy and the values you want to express. Our desire is simply to help you think through these matters. If the Lord leads you to include TCM in your estate, you may know that the gift will continue to buttress TCM's foundation to make disciples of all nations.



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GRADUATION 2021

by Ryan Akers

On an unseasonably mild evening, warmth surrounded every aspect of the 2021 U.S. Graduation celebration at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House in Indianapolis on December 8, 2021. With the culmination of TCM's first class of U.S. students, six men were awarded Master of Arts degrees in Practical Theology. In addition, nine men and women received Certificates in Discipleship. Over 80 guests were in attendance, including professors, pastors, church elders, staff/board members, and family members. Following the service, the accomplishments of these 15 individuals were celebrated with dinner and much fellowship.

These M.A. degree students constituted the beta test cohort of TCM's expansion into the United States as part of our vision to train effective leaders of disciple-making movements. TCM graduate and professor Meego Remmel, graduation speaker, echoed this focus: "Christ has called us, and He has sent us, and it is only because of His Great Commandment of love and His Great Commission of going and making disciples that we are here today, we all, including me."

Three of the M.A. degree graduates shared about their experiences at TCM: Chad Dillon, Jason Seeger, and Craig Howie. Following are excerpts from their testimonies telling how the experience impacted their lives.

Chad Dillon related his experience to the cable TV series Band of Brothers, explaining: "The show is very moving and I want to clarify that the joy that I find in the show is not the war, but it's the camaraderie where these acquaintances moved to friends and then to brothers. I think the same thing could be said about us. The relationships that we have built over these four years are something that cannot be replaced."

Jason Seeger shared that the TCM experience got off to an amazing start with a class on discipleship, which is what it is all about. His experience was filled with challenges including six blood clots, 30 days in the hospital, and 20 hours of surgery, but he kept pressing on through the hospital stays and computer crashes (when homework was due) to complete his degree. Jason expressed gratitude that he was able to be a part of the beta test cohort and share the experience with his father-in-law, and expressed enthusiasm that TCM now has cohorts in Indianapolis, Arizona, and Kenya progressing in education. He concluded by saying, "Tony, you will never know what this means to me."

Likewise, Craig Howie attested, "My four years as a student with TCMII have changed and clarified my purpose in life, and therefore, in my practice in ministry. I cannot go back! I have experienced too much. As a result, the ministry I lead and serve is impacted. My experience with TCM is the fulfillment of a dream that has ignited a new vision for the present and the future. Over the last four years, I have been challenged, changed, and equipped more than I thought possible. The most pronounced transformation is in how I view myself and my identity as a disciple of Jesus as a disciple who makes disciples. And even more, I knew I must be a disciple-making pastor. I am grateful that my pursuit of a Master of Arts Degree in Practical Theology resulted in this collision of my past, present, and future. Students who attend class sessions at Haus Edelweiss refer to it as "a little patch of heaven." There is a brotherhood and sisterhood at TCM that I think gives off the aroma of heaven. If I could just make one suggestion, that maybe TCM's initials could stand for Transforming hearts, Cultivating Christ likeness, and Making disciples."



TCM CLASSES: March and April

(Note: Class schedule and delivery options are subject to change due to political situations or travel restrictions due to the pandemic.)

IN-COUNTRY

March

Theology and Practice of Prayer Disciple Making Old Testament Theology The Missional Church

Pavel Coufal, Belarus Jozsef Steiner, Central Asia Fred Hansen, Central Asia Yevgeniy Siniy, Central Asia

April

Systematic Theology Theology and Practice of Worship Introduction to Old Testament Studies Disciple Making History of Christian Theology 2 Theology and Practice of Ministry Marriage and Family Life Education Small Groups Ministry Mission Theology Pastoral Counseling: Marriage and Family Old Testament Preaching and Teaching History of Christian Theology 2

Oti Bunaciu, Czechia Dennis Martin, Ukraine Fred Hansen, Kenya Jozsef Steiner, Kenya Oti Bunaciu, Kenya Chuck Sackett, Bulgaria Jim Buckley, Georgia Timotei Rusu, Moldova George Bristow, Turkey Rick Walston, Albania Konstantin Nazarov, Russia Sorin Badragan, Ukraine

Fred Hansen

Jozsef Steiner

Meego Remmel

Jordan Scheetz

Chuck Sackett

Rick Walston

Jim Buckley

Jozsef Steiner

Mihai Malancea

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Session 1 - March

Introduction to Old Testament Studies Mission and the Old Testament Pastoral Ethics Mission Theology Old Testament Theology

Session 2 - April

Systematic Theology Introduction to Pastoral Counseling Marriage and Family Life Education The Missional Church

ONLINE

Theology and Practice of Worship Research Methods Hebrew 1 Transforming Leadership Hebrew 1 Greek 1 Servant Leadership

U.S. COHORTS

Disciple Making Theology and Practice of Prayer Introduction to Old Testament Studies Disciple Making Theology and Practice of Prayer

Dennis Martin J.K. Stevens Sara Fudge Timotei Rusu Konstantin Nazarov Dumitru Sevastian Rick Justice

David Roadcup, Indianapolis Tony Twist, Indianapolis Jordan Scheetz, Indianapolis David Roadcup, Arizona Tony Twist, Arizona



PRAYERFAST - A GLOBAL GATHERING

by David Wright

TCM President Tony Twist hosted PrayerFast 2021 on November 13, 2021. More than 1,000 participants from 34 nations and 143 cities around the world joined PrayerFast.

People joined PrayerFast from their homes, their churches, and other community locations. One TCM student hosted 41 people in his home to view the stream-cast conversation together. A TCM supporting church hosted their entire mission team as they participated in the prayer-focused segments of the program. Nearly fifty people volunteered to host others at locations as well as at what we call virtual tables as they went deeper into discussion after each general session.

The three general sessions provided guidance and encouraged discussion related to these topics:

- Why Pray?
- How to Pray?
- Fruit of Prayer

The PrayerFast 2021 video is available to view at www.tcmi.org/ pray. Other resources regarding prayer and fasting can be located there as well.

Please save November 19, 2022 10 a.m. -12 p.m. EST for PrayerFast 2022. Let us know if you would like to host a PrayerFast Viewing Gathering.



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A VISION FOR CAPACITY

by Tom Sears

During the time I have served on staff at TCM, I have witnessed a growth in the number of ministry-training courses year after year. There was never a dramatic increase or any year that spiked the curve. Rather, each year has added to that upward curve. More students here, a new mentoring center there, a new partner organization there, etc. This incremental and consistent growth has taken the ministry in the last eight years from a student enrollment of 1,232 to one of over 2,000 and from a vision that focused on Eastern Europe and Central Asia to a vision that encompasses any nation in the world, wherever the Lord leads.

Some of my favorite milestones along my journey with TCM have been:

- Celebrating TCM's 500th graduate.
- Rebuilding the Cow Barn from the ground up and renovating the Gate Haus to become "The Gate Haus of Prayer."
- Launching our first mentoring center in the U.S.A.
- TCM's "Every Nation" vision with our Every Nation Initiative.
- Launching our first mentoring center in Africa.

Many of you were here for these events or helped contribute to make them happen. Thank you! Of course, these are just a few of the many milestones that TCM has achieved in the recent past.

2022 is already shaping up to be the largest addition in students that we've ever seen. As we celebrate the 50th anniversary of Haus Edelweiss, experience increased involvement in ICOM 2022, and step into the largest class schedule we've ever had, it's clear that the biggest need for this upcoming year is financial capacity. We don't have any big building projects planned. No huge infrastructure projects. But as we look back at the stories and testimonies of how TCM has impacted the world through the ministry, we look forward to saying "yes" to this increased demand in the "bread and butter" of our ministry. Our vision for 2022 is to say yes to the new partnerships, yes to the new mentoring centers, and yes to the hundreds of men and women who are seeking to deepen their walk with Christ, their knowledge of the Word, and their obedience to make disciples through each of the unique ministries in which God has called them. Will you say yes and partner with TCM in 2022?

In closing, I'm reminded of a recent Zoom call I had with TCM's Albanian Regional Representative. TCM recently opened a mentoring center in the city of Tirana and began training national Christians leaders, many of whom are first-generation Christians serving in difficult circumstances. He told me, "I'm so glad the students in our first small group are quickly approaching their graduation!" Then he smiled and said, "I hope you're ready for more."







TONY TWIST - ICOM PRESIDENT 2022

TCM International Institute Board of Directors, staff, students, and graduates give thanks for the news that the International Conference of Missions (ICOM) selected TCM President Tony Twist to serve as ICOM President in 2022. Tony has announced the theme for ICOM 2022 will be "Perfect Unity," a summation of Jesus' admonition to His disciples from John 17.

ICOM 2022 will take place in Columbus, Ohio's Convention Center November 3-6, 2022. Note that the dates for ICOM are earlier than usual this year, so more information about registration and the conference program will be forthcoming soon.

Please keep Tony, ICOM, and TCM in your prayers as together we seek to glorify our Heavenly Father through the work of missions throughout the world





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PRESIDENT'S OUTLOOK

by Tony Twist

This year I will serve as President of the International Conference on Missions (ICOM). Our theme and prayer will be: Perfect Unity. Joining me in leadership are Tom Sears as ICOM Vice President, and Jordan Scheetz as ICOM Bible Lecturer. This close collaboration between TCM and ICOM throughout 2022 will be supported by an ICOM PrayerFast initiative.

Our PrayerFast is for the Holy Spirit to work through all of us to trust and follow Jesus more powerfully. Together we invite the Holy Spirit to unify and empower our collaborative fulfillment of the Great Commission built on the foundation of the Great Commandment.

Please mark your calendars for November 3-6, 2022, and join the TCM team for PrayerFast online and, if possible, in Columbus, Ohio at the ICOM Conference.

Let's pray together for our conflicted world as Jesus prayed in John 17.

Father, we come before you seeking perfect Unity just as Jesus prayed for us. Our prayer is not for us alone. We pray also for those who will believe in you through our message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you and Jesus are One. May we join you in this perfect unity of the Father and the Son so that the world may believe in you. You have given us the glory as you have given Jesus, that we may be one as you are one: Jesus in us and you in Jesus. May we be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent Jesus and have loved us as you have loved your son. We pray through Jesus in the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.