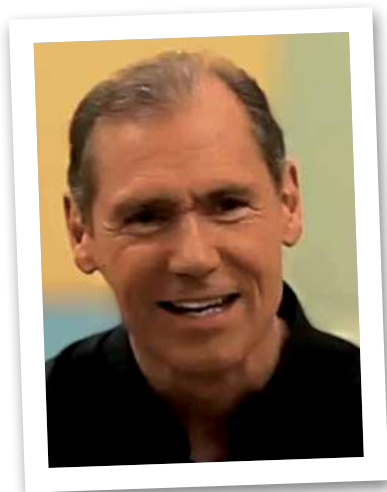


Editorial



Our Heavenly Father is today shaking everything that can be shaken, from the earth and climate to the global economy and socio-political systems (Hebrews 12: 26 - 28). He is doing this, out of His great love and mercy, with the desire that all persons of all ages awaken to their need for Him and His Kingdom. These are a relationship and a Kingdom that cannot be shaken

because they are established upon the two things that will never change: God's character and His Word, the Bible.

KKI is committed to serving God's purposes for the 'emerging generations' of children, youth and their families, by helping them discover who God is in His character, and that the promises in His Word are totally dependable. We are welcoming them to enter into His unshakable Kingdom way of living. The invitation is to learn how to overcome their increasing challenges, bring great joy to the heart of God and become effective in sharing the good news of Jesus' salvation and Kingdom with all people in all nations, as the Holy Spirit leads (Matthew 24: 13 - 14).

KKI training programs engage with what we understand to be the three primary means by which God has purposed to equip those made in His image to live in and share his Kingdom on earth, while preparing to join Him in His glory. These three vital components are the biological family, the relationship between generations in His eternal spiritual family and Jesus-style discipleship.

In recent years, we have been challenged to remember and realign with the original mandate given to KKI in July of 1976 from Deuteronomy 5: 6 - 7. 'These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.' (vs. 8 additionally challenging us to give special emphasis to the Word of God in the context of the home.)

This magazine is an introduction to the purpose, values, relationships, programs and tools that are KKI today. It is our sincere prayer that what we have learned over these years, that has taken us to every continent and into more than 75 nations, can be of meaningful benefit to those who have a calling to care for, reach, equip and mobilize the 'emerging generations' into what God has lovingly purposed for their lives.

Dale Kauffman

KKI founder and international director



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Generations Living the Kingdom of God Together

King's Kids International (KKI) is an international movement, embracing a kingdom lifestyle that is family-based and generationally linked.

Our purpose is to mobilize, equip, reach out and care for children, youth and their families, in order to lead them into their destiny of knowing God in a proven way, bringing Him joy, and making Him and His Kingdom known.

Our founding scripture is Deuteronomy 6:6-7:

"These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up."

KKI is a ministry of Youth With A Mission (YWAM) that serves in partnership with families, churches and other like-minded organizations.

Core Values

Our beliefs, core values and supportive principles are the expression of our basic beliefs, coupled with specific directives given to us by God since KKI was founded in 1976. They form the heart of our foundational convictions, relationships, lifestyle and expressions of ministry. They are rooted in God's written word, the Bible, and have been confirmed to be the framework of our mandate through many formative experiences.

Values refer to those biblical principles that have distinctive significance in our ministry. They provide us with a definition

of our identity, purpose, way of making decisions and guidelines for loving and serving God and our fellow man. As such, they have been given a dominant position. Our basic beliefs and other principles, while also important in the understanding of our ministry, include truths that may be common to other believers and other ministries as well.

It is our hope that successive generations will learn to know, love, trust and obey God in accordance with these beliefs, values and principles. We further pray that they will take them into their hearts and learn to access the grace of God to faithfully apply them to their everyday living and expressions of love.

- We value our **relationship with God** as our first priority by growing to know Him intimately and by bringing Him joy.
- We value **discipleship training** in the context of everyday life.
- We value the **spiritual capacity and destiny** of children, preteens and teenagers.
- We value the **family and the linking of the generations**.
- We value **team leadership**, networking and partnerships.
- We value a lifestyle of **reaching out** by making Jesus and His Salvation known to all peoples, serving in ways that can extend His Kingdom into all spheres of society worldwide.

These six core values are representative of the additional KKI principles that provide the body of KKI training.

History of KKI

King's Kids International began through a Scripture passage, Deuteronomy 6.6-8, and the application of that truth with a small group of families and children. It was a challenge for those parents to set an example and involve their children with them and help them come to know God. A few weeks later, as I was learning to involve the children with me in listening to God's voice so that we could step out and experience him, God spoke so clearly, and in our prayer time, one of the little boys there had an impression of a green frog, another saw a rainbow, and still another got a word from Isaiah 43 about gathering and being a witness to the Lord.

We prepared a little program, and as we went that day to present it, it was pouring rain. One of the little guys in the van turned to me and asked: "What is the name of our group?" I said: "Well, why don't you ask the Lord?" We'd been studying about what it means to be the children of the King, and he came back with the name King's Kids. I had no idea that day that it would be the launching of this ministry. As we arrived, we encountered many problems: the rain became stronger, all our props were destroyed... But the children had heard from God, and they stepped out with the faith that many people there would actually hear the good news and that there would be people opening their hearts to Jesus. I was not so sure. As the program ended, there was a very disturbed person who came up to me in a very aggressive way, and I expected her to actually hit me, because she looked like she was angry. Instead, the person said to me words that really changed my life. She said: "The children are so pure, I'm so dirty. Please help me!" And she just went down on her knees before me. The little boy who had had the impression of the green frog (that was one of our props) came alongside and said: "Dale, this is the first one." And then we saw a number of people open their hearts to the Lord. And when I gathered the children together and asked them the question: "What happened here?" It was a teachable moment. It was where God's word to our hearts had been confirmed through signs following, and now these children had seen the reality of God; I watched them from their hearts come to recognize who he was and their choice to love him and obey him. We were in 1976, and it was the beginning of King's Kids, that grew and multiplied throughout the nations.

In 1979, as we were continuing to listen to God's voice and step out with Him, he challenged us to go out internationally. He spoke to us from Isaiah 12:4-5: "Give thanks to the Lord and call on his name. Make known throughout the nations what he has done". We began to learn about having a primary concern for God and to a levitic form of ministering to the heart of God, and so, Like Abraham, we began to go to different places and, if you will, dig wells and build altars. Concretely, we asked God to clean our hearts, we worshipped him, we waited in his presence, he spoke to us and we joined him in intercession, we spoke out his will there and then

took steps of radical obedience in service and witness to others. God began to lead us strategically in different places of the world, in Hiroshima, in Moscow, in different capitals with leaders of nations, and we experienced what it meant to step out into the nations with faith in God.

In 1982, the challenge came to begin to train and prepare for multiplication. We had our first school 2 years later in Kona, Hawaii, and during that time, we developed the vision on how we were to engage not only with individuals, but with families, local churches and others. A few months later, we had our first mega camp in Los Angeles, from which came the first multiplication of teams: one was focused on the USA, one on Europe, one on South America, one on Asia and the Pacific. So we began to see KKI grow into the nations.

In 1986, we had our first international leadership gathering, where we wrestled with the question: What is King's Kids?

We realized that we needed to be values based. We identified the words God had given us and the values that they represented and we began to launch a series of training of programs, camps and outreaches that others began to pick up. We recognized

early that we needed to do this with the rest of YWAM, with other families, with churches and other like-minded ministries.

In 1987, we launched our first local, national and regional leadership gatherings, and this began to serve the process of leadership development at different levels.

In 1991, we had our first International Leadership Assembly, and there we began task forces, and we began to look at the development of tools and how we can be intentional on how to partner with others. It is during this time that we recognized the different phases of development that we were to work with in mobilization, in discipleship, in reaching the unreached and in caring for those that were suffering.

And then in 1992, we had our first Target World, where we brought young people with us, and we became engaged in a more strategic mobilization process.

In 2005, we were awakened to the need to come back to our original mandate, from which we had drifted in different ways, and we saw that it was important to go back to strengthen our foundations in families and in linking the generations. This is the process we continue to find ourselves in during the second decade of the twenty first century.



Dale Kauffman



1 Relationship with God

Our priority is that every child, teenager or family, whom the Lord has entrusted to us, can get to know Him as a Father who is alive and very concrete. We wish to lead them into a proven knowledge of His character and His ways, leading them to know His voice, to obey Him and to confide in Him.

To bring joy to God's heart should be our motivation and first objective in all our activities. When inviting the younger generations to experience the salvation of Jesus Christ, we want to equip them to develop healthy habits and to establish a vibrant and regular relationship with God. The outreaches and camps are important times where the children and young people are encouraged and challenged to go further in their relationship with God, but the most important thing is to help them to make this relationship a normal part of their daily life through reading the Bible, praying and listening to God, to have the heart of a worshiper and to walk in the fear of the Lord. Becoming friends of God, they can start each day with the question: "God, how can I bring joy to your heart today?" and learn to live their daily life as an act of worship.

During a KKI outreach, a team came to cross the border from France to Spain, their last stage, at the end of a long tour through Western Europe. As the bus stopped, the kids watched a group of gypsies near their bus. These people looked so poor. One of the kids stood up and said: "Why don't we take an offering for these people?" They didn't have lots of money left, and what was left was to buy some souvenirs to bring back home to their families. But they all

prayed and one of them said: "I have the impression we should give them all that we have left." So they passed a box along the bus, and the kids emptied their purses. They were of course free to participate in the offering or not to, and some certainly did it more enthusiastically than others! But what a privilege to be able to walk to these people and bless them financially in the name of the Lord.

The bus moved into Spain, and most of the team wondered what they would do the next day and what they would bring to their families back home, now that they had no more money. They arrived in the city where they had an appointment and a man was waiting for them. "I have good news for you," he said. "The church here has taken an offering for you, and people have been very generous! So, tomorrow, we will take you to a store and you will be able to choose whatever you want; we will pay for it." Wow! The kids were so amazed! Wasn't God incredibly good? They were all welcomed in families and separated for the night.

The next morning, they met to go to the store, full of expectancy. Everybody came on time, only two boys were missing. After waiting for half an hour, the group decided to leave for the store, and someone from the church waited for the two latecomers. When they group came back, the two boys were there, waiting for them. For some reason, the person driving them to the team was late and they were not able to join the rest of the team for shopping... and that gave them time to think. Both realized that they were the only ones that didn't take part in the offering the former day... They learned a powerful lesson, and they were not the only ones!

2 Discipleship training in the context of daily living

Jesus is not only asking us to reach out to people or to bring them to faith in Christ. He invites us to make disciples. On the foundation of God's character, we want to train children, young people and their families to live a Christian life that is consistent and to develop a daily lifestyle of listening to and obeying

as these situations represent ideal settings to build their character and help them develop healthy habits. But they are not an end in themselves. We don't want our programs and activities to be just "emotional highs", and for this reason we place a special focus on the preparation (before) and the debriefing (after) to help them take what they

fight violently, and our staff came to separate them. He took Michael in his arms. He was kicking and screaming: "I'll kill him! I'll kill him!" Our staff took him aside, and he was ready to talk firmly and to make a point: "Thou shalt not kill!" But he felt the Holy Spirit speaking to his heart: "Don't lecture him, just send him to me..." Our staff was puzzled as this was unexpected and completely new for him. He tried to argue: "But Lord... he is too young! He is in such an emotional state that he is not able to get anything from you..." But no other instruction came. So our staff talked to Michael and told him: "Hey, Michael, I understand you're quite angry. Please, go sit under this tree and take 10 minutes alone to think about and ask the Lord how you should react in this situation!"

Our staff was worried what would come out of this time, and prayed the whole time. After 10 minutes, Michael came back sheepishly. We could see that something had happened during this time, and our staff asked him, "So, Michael, how are you doing now? Did the Lord tell you anything?" Michael was a bit hesitant, but finally he said begrudgingly, "Yeah, he told me to forgive Laszlo." Our staff was surprised and encouraged, "Wow, that's great! Is there anything else?" At this point, Michael was awkward and faltering. He mumbled, "Yeah... actually... He also showed me that I was the one starting the problem and that I should be the first to apologize..."

Our staff was stunned. "Wow! Do you need my help to go back to Laszlo?" "No", said Michael, "I will be fine!" Both boys took time to talk together. At the end of the camp, they were the best friends in the world. On this day, Michael learned something very important: when you listen to God and obey him, you can restore peace. And here also, Michael was not the only one who learned something!



God's voice. Encouraging servanthood, initiative, risk-taking and leadership is at the heart of our training strategy, the core of it being the relinquishing of our rights and honoring others above ourselves. As KKI is interdenominational, we do not focus mainly on specific doctrines, but on general principles from the Scriptures. Following Jesus' example with His disciples, we invite young people to camps and training programs, and take them with us to reach out to others,

have learned and apply it in their daily situations. The children, young people and their families should come back into their context (family, school, church...) with a sense of expectation and a desire to see God move in and through them in their daily life, and not only in a camp or outreach.

One of our leaders was staffing a camp with many young boys between 8 and 12. One afternoon, two of the boys, Michael and Laszlo, started to

3 The destiny and spiritual capacity of children and teenagers

In the Bible, God often used children and young people to do His work: Joseph, David, Samuel, Mary and Jeremiah are just a few examples among many others. We believe that children have the ability to know God in a proven way and to serve Him from their youngest age. They can truly become Christians, be filled with the Spirit of God, praise and worship Him, pray and intercede, listen to God's voice and obey it in taking steps of faith, share the Gospel.

We don't want to push them beyond what is real in their lives. Neither do we want to develop their spiritual life only, without encouraging the other aspects of life, but we want to welcome them alongside us to bring joy to the heart of God together with us. By understanding their physical and emotional stages of development, we will be able to target our teachings to meet the specific needs of each age group.

We believe in the potential of teenagers as 'young leaders in training', being bridges between the youngest and the adults, and we want to invest specifically in their age group, walking alongside them during these transition years and helping them to grow in maturity and responsibility as they discover their calling and their gifts.

My first King's Kids outreach was with my family in Australia when I was 11 years old. I think the memory that stands out most to me from that outreach is that was the first time I really experienced the Holy Spirit. Even now, I can still go right back to that very moment. At the time I didn't really understand what it was all about, but I believe that on that outreach God set something into motion in my life.

Fast forward a few years to being a teenager and becoming involved with King's Kids New Zealand. Almost every

school vacation I was in Auckland on the King's Kids center, I couldn't get enough of it. I loved the dancing, but now that I look back, I can see what I learned and how God was already preparing me for the future. I learned how to be a leader, and what it meant to be a role model and example for younger kids. I found a new family, I felt like I belonged. But most of all I learned how to hear God's voice.

I remember one time we went through the steps of intercession before going to do a «performance» and I got a picture of a boy in a blue T-shirt who had some kind of handicap. We went to this kids' program and he was there! I went to talk to him, and he thought it was really weird, but I knew for sure that God had spoken to me.

But I think the biggest impact that King's Kids had on my life was when I was a part of an evangelism tour in 2001. It was my first year out of high school, I didn't really know what I wanted to do with my life, but I did know that I wanted to do this outreach. In those three months,



as we went to different countries and experienced different cultures, my eyes were opened to the fact that this world needs Jesus. I learned a lot of lessons on that outreach: leadership, conflict resolution, spiritual warfare. But the biggest moment came in Kazakhstan. We visited an orphanage and I spent some time with one little girl. She didn't speak English, I didn't speak Russian, but when it comes to God's love, sometimes you don't need words. She put her hand in mine and did not want to let go for the whole afternoon. I don't know exactly how to express what happened in my heart, but I knew for sure that God was calling me to children's ministry. I didn't know where or in what context, but I knew that children and their families was it.

After outreach I went to Bible College in New Zealand, was involved in dance, schools ministry, Sunday School and community outreach, but in 2006 I went as an intern to Metro Ministries in New York City, and I have been there ever since.

Now, almost 10 years after that outreach, what God put in my heart in Kazakstan is still as real as ever. I am fully committed to reaching children and their families in the inner city of New York. And all those things I learned in King's Kids: being a role model, leadership, the sense of family, working in a team, spiritual warfare - I am still using these principles today.

I loved being a part of King's Kids, and now that I reflect on my times on outreach, I see what a huge influence it had on me. I had leaders who spoke life into me, who encouraged me, and who pushed me even when I didn't want to be pushed! Now as a leader, I can have that same influence, I can pass on what I have learned.

Bronwyn Bevan

4 The importance of the family and the linking of the generations.

We believe in the importance of linking the generations. Each generation has particular characteristics and calling. We believe the younger generation has a specific destiny, with a prophetic anointing discerning the new things God wants to do and a craving to see them come true wholeheartedly and radically. However, if the younger generation disconnects from the older one, it will miss the necessary experience, the resources, the counsel, the wisdom and the prayer support necessary to see them come true. With this in mind, KKI is not a child- or youth-ministry. It's a ministry for all generations, calling each of them to honor one another and to cooperate to see God move.

In this context, the family plays a crucial and central role. God gave the primary responsibility of training the next generation to parents, and we are committed to encouraging, equipping and mobilizing them, and in doing so, to train families to love and serve God together. In opening our activities to whole families, we want to encourage a lifestyle where worship, listening to God's voice and a missionary vision are incorporated into the daily life of a family.

Active as KKI leaders for our region, we also accepted a leadership position in our local church to serve in the children

and teenagers ministry. We quickly realized it was difficult to connect with the parents, so we organized an evening where we invited all the parents in the church to explain the vision to them, and the tools we wanted to use with their children. Potentially, we could have had more than a hundred parents coming to this evening... we had only nine. We were puzzled and shocked as we realized the mentality was something like: "You can do whatever you want with our kids on Sunday morning, as long as you take care of them." We realized we had made many mistakes as we had not strengthen and equip the parents for their role as Deuteronomy 6 encourages us to, but had done the ministry instead of them, independently from them. We learnt something.

Since that time, we have placed a special value on inviting entire families to join in our activities. It has been a tremendous blessing to have parents, grandparents, young adults, teenagers and children loving and serving God together. A blessing for the participants as they learn to recognize and release their particular giftings and strengths, but also a blessing for people outside of our group, as they watch the generations loving and honoring each



other and serving together.

I remember a family who came to one of our KKI camps. During one ministry time, as the children were deeply touched in the presence of God, the father turned to me, tears in his eyes, saying: "I never thought you could experience these things with kids! I never thought my own children could be so open!" We've seen numerous families grabbing these principles and including them in their daily life, learning to love God together as a family and to stop seeing church and ministry as something separate from what's happening in their home. We've also seen numerous churches encouraging age-integrated activities and vision after joining some of our activities.



5 Team leadership and effective partnerships

We are committed to working as a team to serve the generations. Plurality and diversity allow us to be balanced in our decision making and to show the participants in our activities a variety of leadership styles that are different and all valuable. The heart of team leadership rests in relationships characterized by love, mutual honor and a willingness to serve one another. We want to seek the will of God in every decision, ensuring that everyone in the leadership team can contribute and give his/her opinion, and we seek to have unanimity whenever possible.

The care and protection of children and young people being so important, we want to make sure our leaders are adequately trained in their sphere of responsibility. They should be fully aware of their role and of the safety measures related to it.

Through modeling this in our camps and outreaches, we want to promote this approach to team work in all spheres of life: in the family, in churches, and in the way we reach out to others. We also want to seek effective

partnerships with other organizations whenever possible.

In 2010 we organized the first of hopefully many children's conferences in the North East of India. We knew that we could not do it as a KKI Team alone. We went out to meet with other people, representatives of ministries in the city where we had planned our conference. Some thought it was not doable, but we knew that we had the word of the Lord to go for it. Some declined to work with us. Others were willing to give it a try. So, four different ministries formed the organizing team. We also had KKI and other ministries from foreign countries join us; some of them came with whole families, all ready to get involved and to do whatever it takes to reach the younger generation of this Indian State for Christ. All in all, we were from nine nations and at least six different ministries working together.

When we started after a training day for the staff and leaders, we welcomed 1500 participants from ages 8 to 14, plus many older teenagers and young adults helping in many different ways.

The children who came on outreach with their families ran a dance workshop with their parents, gave testimony, helped in the worship and in many other ways. Not only was the conference a success for the attending children and teens, we were in the local newspapers and on local TV too. God really honored the networking and the team leadership.



6 Reaching Out

Worship must be an integral part of each day - worship that is not self-focused, but shares in the heart of God. As the young people begin to feel God's heart and see that He is grieved for a hurting world, they will be led to intercede on behalf of those to whom they will minister. The natural overflow of this love for God will show itself in a desire to reach out to other people and share the love of God with them. The young people of the 21st century have a specific role to play in completing the Great Commission and influencing all spheres of society with the values of God's Kingdom. We, as leaders, must recognize that it is God's desire to use the child-like faith and simplicity of young people and children to break through some of the hardest spiritual barriers (Psalm 8:2). We must be careful not to «shelter» children from experiences where they will see God's miraculous power at work. It is often in the midst of the darkest surroundings that the glory of God will shine the brightest, as the children and young people declare who God is to them. We believe that God has a destiny and a calling for the youth of this generation. Young people and children should be

encouraged not to settle for second best, but to be radical in their commitment to obey the Lord.

A few years back we had organized a camp for children from different churches in Kathmandu, Nepal. The last day of the camp was a day of outreach into the local community. One group was to reach out to the streetboys and we tried hard to reach them and to make an appointment with them. For some reason the person in charge of doing that was not able to find them in the places they normally were hanging out. What to do now? Should we still go ahead with our plan or would we have to abandon it? We sat together with all the children in the group, told them what had happened and then we prayed and asked God for a plan and a strategy. It was hard at first as many children had never listened to God in such a way. But after some time of quiet we started to share what God had spoken to us. We were all in agreement that we should go ahead as planned and that the boys would be there. Some children felt that God had been speaking to them about specific things

like buying soap for the boys and other things. That's what we did. All together we went to the local market, bought the rice, the veggies and of course the soap for the boys. For many of the younger children it was a first. They had never gone to the market to shop or helped cook. Together we cooked the meal and got the place ready, still not too sure if the boys would truly be there when we went to get them. When we had finished, we went to look for the street boys, and of course they were all there and overjoyed to come and spend time with our team. The children from the churches served the meals to the streetboys with great love and care. Many of these children from good families had probably seen children living in the streets but this was the first time they had ever come in contact with them. The whole day had a deep impact on the children.



Different expressions

While our values define our philosophy of ministry, KKI can take many different expressions around the world. Active in more than 70 nations, we are committed to:

- **mobilize** the generations in serving God's purposes in all spheres of life throughout the nations. Camps and outreaches mobilize Christian young people, giving them opportunities to share their faith with others and to participate in extending the Kingdom of God.
- **equip** children, youth, families and servant leaders in learning to live and share the Kingdom of God. Year round discipleship programs help young people and families to strengthen their relationship with God and live in a way that brings joy to His heart.
- **reach out** to those who have not had the opportunity to hear the 'good news'. A variety of clubs, youth activity centers and streetside church programs share the love of God with children and teens who have little or no contact with a Christian witness.
- **care** for underprivileged and at risk children, young people and their families. KKI mercy ministries around the world are involved in practically

serving the needs of young people such as street kids, orphans, children with AIDS, child soldiers and teen prostitutes.

Some years ago, KKI was mostly known as a group of children and teenagers singing and dancing. This was the first model and tool God had given us in the beginning, but singing and dancing are only means to accomplish the task He has given us to do: to know God and to make Him known with the younger generation and their families. In some nations, singing and dancing are still very relevant and used; in others it's no longer the case.

KKI is not a form or a recipe we can copy from one nation to another, like some fast-food chains. Whatever the country, if we enter one of these restaurants, we know we will eat something that tastes the same anywhere in the world. No, KKI is not first of all a matter of external form. KKI is mostly about a common vision, common values and the willingness to nurture relationships and to build together. Without these three elements, even if we do singing and dancing with kids, this is not KKI. With these three elements, whatever we do, this is KKI.



This magazine will allow you to discover the diversity of this ministry, active today in more than 70 nations. This is one of the oldest and most widespread international ministries in YWAM, and its activities can be very different from one nation to the next, depending on the priorities and vision God gives to the national leadership. Some pages may surprise you, others will encourage or inspire you. In the following pages, you'll discover some examples of KKI in different nations. The choice was not so easy as there are many other valuable expressions in our ministry family. We pray this magazine will help you to be aware of our diversity, to welcome it and encourage it, so we can be even more relevant in our mission towards the emerging generation and their families.



Mobilize : Gateway strategy

mobilize

The mobilization aspect is the first in which KKI was involved. As a part of YWAM, our founders believed the children and teenagers could also be part of the missionary task, and KKI has been involved in numerous outreaches locally, nationally and internationally. KKI first calling was prophetic, the children and teenagers going into difficult places to exalt the name of the Lord and bring joy to his heart. Since then, mobilization and outreach strategies involving the younger ones into mission has always been part of who we are.

The main strategy God has given us these last years is called "Gateway": this is a KKI convened mobilization strategy that recognizes and engages with the important role of strategically located gateway to promote and make way for the Gospel in their region. Gateway Cities are urban centers like Hong Kong, Durban, Sao Paulo, Singapore...; they are uniquely suited to help facilitate the flow of God's presence and blessings into and from the nations and regions they are so vitally positioned to serve. The Gateway founding scripture is Isaiah 62:10 which states, "Pass through, pass through the gates. Prepare the way for the people. Build up, build up a highway, remove the stones. Wave a banner for the nations."

Residents of the host Gateway City are challenged to live out five aspects of being a Kingdom-minded gatekeeper who opens the gateways of heart, home and community to God's purposes. These objectives include: Welcoming the presence of Jesus into all of life, uniting across home, generations and ministries. partnering with those from other nations, serving into their community, nation and region together with their partners and supporting the training and mobilizing of those from their city, nation and region out to all nations.

While KKI values, relationships, training resources, and ministry strategies contribute significantly to the effectiveness of the growing number of gateway initiatives, the leadership of each 'Gateway' is intentionally inclusive of a broad cross section of the Body of Christ. These are representative of the city, nations and regions being served, promoting unity and maximum benefit to those they serve.

Special effort is made to involve participants of all ages in a generationally linked manner, as well as biological families from various nations. The coming together of the generationally linked spiritual family and prepared biological families enhances their capacity to bring an effective witness of God's Kingdom together with the proclamation of the Gospel, during their outreaches and follow through life styles.

The Gateway Programs include training, camps and outreaches.

GATEWAY TRAINING Is provided in four main streams. The equipping of children and youth, biological families, young adults and persons involved with a variety of missions initiatives, all of which converge during the Gateway Camp times. All participants are asked to attend the training, as part of a team and follow their training and camp experience with some form of outreach.

GATEWAY CAMPS usually last from three to five days. They usually include worship and ministry rallies in the morning and evening. Workshops designed to further prepare teams for outreach are conducted in the afternoon. A 24 hour prayer and ministry center provides personalized ministry to all participants. Fellowship rich activities are made available for daily free times. Emphasis is placed on encountering God, partnering and final outreach preparation.

OUTREACHES follow a theme of G.P.S. or Go, Partner and Serve. The concept is to ask God to globally position you. To GO as a team where God has been preparing them to go, beyond where they have dared to go before.

To **PARTNER** with those from the generations and nations whose strengths and experience are needed in order to take greater steps of faith. To **SERVE** the purposes of God's heart, through meeting the needs of people and sharing the truth and life of Jesus Christ in ways that extend His Kingdom.

Gateway began in Hong Kong in in 2005 as a further involvement of the KKI Target World and Road Through China strategies. Since then Gateway initiatives have been launched in Taiwan, Mongolia, Central Asia, and Africa with other cities and nations in the process of utilizing this exciting and effective mobilization strategy.

For further information on Gateway initiatives please visit www.gateway.org.hk



KKI Brazil

mobilize/train



KKI began in Brazil in 1987 under the leadership of Moises Duarte Neves. We began with summer outreaches and later formed Network teams, partnering with churches (these are local king's kids groups meeting all around the year). At present, we continue our yearly summer tours with approximately 25 tours throughout Brazil. Each tour usually has 50 or more participants, therefore giving a total of at least 1,250 people involved in these outreaches each year.

Lord gave us some land in the city of Pitangui, Minas Gerais, located in the southeast part of Brazil. This is where our YWAM base is presently located and where KKI Brazil is based as well. At this center, we have mercy ministries and evangelism training, both of which are specifically geared to serve this new generation. We lead Discipleship Training Schools (DTS), and the majority of the students are young people who have attended KKI, either in their churches or in outreaches.

elementary grades. Each year, we continue to pursue the dream of one day becoming a university.

Since the year 2000, we have also been leading NIKOs. As the need to multiply began, we partnered with many churches and network teams in the northern as well as the southern parts of Brazil.

We have also worked quite significantly in the area of sports. Besides our summer sports tours, we have also begun local projects like: soccer school, swimming lessons and recreational activities for the needy children in their community.

Our most recent initiative is music camps. They function like an outreach tour, but they have a focus on helping children and young people develop their musical talents and encouraging them to use their gifts with discipline and wisdom. In the last two years, we have led various seminars and music camp tours encouraging the young people to compose their own songs which speak of justice and transformation, including themes like the environment and children at risk.

We cannot forget to thank the churches of different denominations, which have worked so hard together with us, investing in this new generation. Today we have more than 200 different network teams all over Brazil, not to mention those groups that we do not know about. Many churches are asking us to come and lead week-end introductory seminars, so that they can be released to start KKI network ministries in their location. In general, they are churches that already have small groups of children and teens that use dance or drama as strategies, but that haven't had strength or continuity due to lack of foundations. That is where KKI comes in and strengthens them with values and principles. Some of these groups exist for more than 20 years.



We also have various workers who lead winter outreaches during the month of July. In addition, we have our conferences and regional events with the objective of keeping all the teams updated on what God is speaking to us as a ministry family. Every 4 years we have a large KKI Brazil celebration in specific cities of the country.

In 1998, we began praying as a leadership team for a place we could call our own, where we could bring teams and train young people in this ministry. It was at this time that the

PCYM (Principles in Child and Youth Ministry) Schools are also multiplying in the country.

Both DTSs and PCYMs seek to send outreach teams to places that need support. We have sent teams to many places like China, Africa and many South American countries. We also have a school that serves our community on an educational level. This school began with just the children of YWAMers, but today it is recognized by the Brazilian government and we have more than 90 students in both preschool and

Niko

equip



NIKO is a Greek word that means 'to conquer, to overcome, to triumph and to have the victory'. This 5 days training is very much about victories, and it represents a parable of life. The participants vary from different ages and are put in teams where they will face new challenges every day to help them learn to know themselves better and to grow in their leadership skills. There is a big emphasis on teamwork and on perseverance. A participant is challenged in his willingness to take initiative, his creativity, his compassion, his sense of responsibility and confidence in himself as well as his ability to serve others.

NIKOs are held in the wilderness and each day has a different theme: giving up rights, working as a team, serving, partying ... Learning happens through experiences: each participant will experience the consequences of his leadership and the team dynamic quickly becomes visible. A group of elders from a church that has participated in NIKO very much appreciated being able to pass the test and have their strengths and weaknesses revealed.

A NIKO pushes us to discover our mental, physical, emotional and

spiritual strengths and weaknesses. Our relationship with God and with others is tested through these experiences and the physical challenges. We have to face and overcome a number of obstacles, and this will help us in the future when we face moments where we have to make difficult decisions.

A NIKO also makes us face the unknown. Because the activities are not revealed at the beginning of the camp, there will always be a surprise effect that brings our reactions to the surface. Our character is expressed in our reactions, in the way we function and in our choices. The staff plays an important role in observing and evaluating the things that emerge (personalities, personal competence, the dynamics of the relationships in the team etc.) but also in releasing God's work in the team dynamic and in individual lives.

Learning by doing

In other ministry contexts, we normally give a teaching and then let the listeners put into practice what they have heard. In NIKO it is the other way round: we live the challenge and the activities and then we draw lessons from these experiences and link them with what the Bible teaches us.

To learn 'on the job' in real life situations is the basis for the discipleship training. In moving outside the conventional learning zones, the teacher can use the world around us and the different situations as a classroom, the classroom of life. Why is this important? Jesus used the classroom of life (learning by experience) to teach his disciples. He took hold of the teachable moments in the midst of daily life to train His disciples. He gave them opportunities to test new ideas in practice by actually doing them. Here is where real learning begins. It is in daily life that young people will learn the most, and this is why God teaches parents to use such opportunities to teach their children about him. When young people are stretched in their capacity and have to leave their comfort zones, their faith is also tested and it grows as they choose to exercise it. (1 Peter 1:7)

If you are interested in hosting or developing NIKO in your region, it will require a considerable investment and long term vision; you will need a good team with very motivated people to start it. If you want to know how to start a NIKO, please get in touch with one of our regional leaders. (p.23)



Rites of passages

train

“I write to you, dear children, because your sins have been forgiven on account of His name. I write to you, fathers, because you have known Him who is from the beginning. I write to you, young men, because you have overcome the evil one. I write to you, dear children, because you have known the Father. I write to you, fathers, because you have known Him who is from the beginning. I write to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God lives in you, and you have overcome the evil one.” – 1 John 2:12-14

Over the years, we have become very conscious in King's Kids of how important the stages of development are in a person's life, not just for people, but also for adults. It seems to be one of the challenges of our time that we have lost appreciation for constant and steady growth. Instead, everything needs to be instant; even maturity needs to be immediate. In contrast, a lifestyle that builds on a view of lifelong development allows our character to take time to grow and develop constantly.

As we move from one stage of development to the next we are challenged to leave behind what was and move into the new. These transitions, often known as “Rites of Passage” are important landmarks in every person's life. Conception, birth, the starting of school, the beginning of puberty, becoming an adult, getting married and death are just a few of the key moments in life. They mark the moment when one passes from one stage of development to the next. All of the ancient cultures and religions recognized and practiced different ways of initiation. Just to mention a few: The “Bar Mitzvah” the Jews celebrate at the age of 12 or the “Samskāra”, a series of Sacraments in Hinduism, the “Shinbyu” in Theravada Buddhism or the “Vision Quest” in some Native American cultures. These “crossing the line” ceremonies mark a very clear end of what was and welcome the person into the next phase of life.

Unfortunately our western culture has not paid much attention to these important ceremonies, or in some cases has just made them a product to be sold and in so doing, we have lost the deep spiritual meaning of such an initiation. This has left many young people of our time helpless, with no orientation and no sense of where one is on his life pilgrimage. This leads to the current trend in which we see 50 year old people acting like teenagers and small children acting like adults – as shown in the headline of an article in a magazine title: “Puberty: from 11 to 39”. Instead of seeing young



people grow up to play their part in society by forming and shaping the future, consumerism and self-centeredness are some of the effects of the absence of these rites of passage.

With programs like the “Preteens” or the “Portal”, we in King's Kids have started to produce materials to help and support families, churches and communities in these important times of change. “Preteens”, as the name suggests is a program to prepare preteens (11 – 12 year olds) and their parents for the teenage years. It suggests a proactive way to look at the change that will come once a young person enters puberty and it gives some very practical tools and teachings to empower the young person and their parents to make this time fruitful and constructive.

The “Portal” process is a one-year guided journey for a young person (17 – 18 year old) into being an adult member of their community. During that time, we want to give the young person and their parents an opportunity to redefine their relationship (generational transfer) and for the young person to discover more of their identity and calling (generational calling). This marks very clearly the end of being a teenager and welcomes a young person as a full member of the adult community.

We believe that these kinds of support materials and programs will be meaningful contributions to see children, young men and women, fathers and mothers, both biological and spiritual ones, enabled to take a place of positive influence in the family, community and society in such a way that the Kingdom of God becomes more visible in our midst and one's personal journey towards maturity is enhanced.

KKI Switzerland and France MC4 and Easter Service Camps

reach

Inspired by Metro Ministries and Bill Wilson in New York, KKI in the French speaking part of Switzerland and France have launched a whole strategy to reach out to un-churched kids in neighborhoods and suburbs. There are now about twenty five groups in Switzerland and almost forty in France. Every month, about 4000 children are reached and many of them visited at home. Some of these groups work in very difficult settings with a high percentage Muslim population. Now, other groups have started in different nations, like Belgium, Jordan and Togo.

KKI has launched the vision and tested the tools, but today mainly churches are adopting this program to reach out to their neighborhoods, starting with the kids. KKI nurtures the vision and the motivation of these different groups, helping the church to be more outward-focused. Every year, in Switzerland and France, staff conferences gather hundreds of young (and not so young!) people thirsty to get trained and to connect with other people carrying the same burden.

This strategy is called MC4 (from Mark 4 and the parable of the sower) and brings together many different tools: Quartier Libre is a street side program, meeting the children where they live and doing social prevention and pre-evangelism through games, workshops, short teachings about Christian values with lots of illustrations... The kids wanting to go further in the faith can join an evangelism cell for their age group. The teenagers have Antizone, a youth gathering to motivate them to take steps with



God. There are groups for moms and their little children, camps etc. The strategy used is similar to a funnel, starting with large groups of kids and little explicit Christian content, and those who want to go further can continue with in activities with more content.

If you are interested to know more and get some tools, please contact the MC4 International Office at KKI Switzerland: mc4@fabricantsdejoie.ch or visit their website (in French):

www.quartierlibre.ch and www.antizone.ch.

In the same line to reach out to the city, KKI Switzerland has launched Easter Service Camp, that aims to bring the churches and the generations from

a city or region together for one week to serve. This vision is presently developing in several cities of Switzerland, where we see lots of children, young people, families, older people... from many different churches coming together during Easter holidays. Hundreds of hours of

free service are offered to the civil authorities and the local population. The initiative has great favor with the local authorities, as city leaders are touched to see young people freely loving and serving others.

In fact, many people are touched to see all these participants with the same T-shirt, busy blessing and serving everywhere. This allows us to share with many of them, and more than once to be able to pray for them.

We believe service and kindness is an incredible way to reach out to people, especially in secular Western Europe where the Church has talked and lectured a lot, but not always shown the love of Christ in concrete ways.



KKI Uganda

care

KKI is active in many countries of Africa, doing a tremendous job discipling children and teenagers. We would like to highlight the ministry happening in Uganda as it is an expression of the care aspect in our ministry family.

Dickson and Mabel Wesonga, who are serving with YWAM Uganda, have led this ministry since 1996. The couple has been working with other occasional volunteers who come to assist in the KKI camps.

In the last 30 or so years, Uganda has undergone turbulent periods of war and HIV/AIDS, which has left the nation with the youngest population in the

My dad passed away when I was 5 years old. I am the oldest and have 3 siblings. He had no property, neither was he rich. Even at the place my Dad worked, help was only given for 2 years and then they stopped. My mum trades sugarcane for our living, she has encouraged me to go to school and with this meager income she rents a place we can call home, pays my school fees and those for my two sisters who have started nursery and primary school. My school starts by 7am and in order to make it to school on time, I have to wake up by 4.30 am, prepare and then walk to school and then a return journey....



world and many of them are orphans. Fifty percent of the nation's population are under the age of 16, thus posing a big challenge in terms of children who need direction, care and guidance.

In 1997, Dickson and Mabel began networking with 5 other families to encourage them to develop a fostering vision. As a result, these families took on 24 children among them. Many of these children have grown into fully responsible citizens, some are pastors, social workers... Some have married and continued the vision and, they are themselves caring for orphans.

During a KKI outreach in 1997, one girl, Susan (11 years old), gave her life to Christ. Two days later, she came to the Wesongas' house and her story broke their hearts:

this has been my routine for the past six months. I'd possibly like to change school and attend one that is closer to home. My journey involves evading men in those early morning hours. One day I was nearly raped, but thank God a motorist stopped and rebuked the would-be attacker and the motorist helped me get to school. This has happened twice, and every time help has come my way. I want to believe God is my protector and will continue to protect me.

Dickson and Mabel were moved and those listening to the child were in tears. The mother had not believed her story, thinking she was lazy and just wanted to move to a school closer by. The mother could not afford the fees for a nearby school, and the distant



school had lower fees.

But we believed Susan, knowing the 8 km route to Jinja town from Bugembe is always lonely for such a young girl.

They committed to help Susan by providing her bus fare. She went on to perform very well in primary school and we later paid fees for her in a secondary boarding school, she did well and got her O and A levels...she got to University and did a degree in Computer Science.

This Foster Care Family Network has developed with other YWAM families and there is hope that it will still extend in the nation and beyond as a model for healing and recovering from these years of turmoil and pain. To read more about it: www.orphansknowmore.com.

FOSTER CARE ministry

Vision

To provide love, a home and an environment for children to grow in peace.

Aim

To give a vulnerable and orphaned child an opportunity to live within a caring family environment, through foster-care, so that the child receives love that is a key to growth.

Objectives:

- To parent children in a foster care environment
- To accommodate, feed and nourish the children
- To provide education sponsorship to the child, as to secure a bright future
- To enhance their work prospects through "Cottage Industry" – by teaching and encouraging life skills, for example, hand crafts
- To market their products locally and internationally
- To model Christian values and lifestyle

KKI in the Middle-East

KKI Sudan

Sudan is a country which is very difficult to reach, as Sudanese are living in tribes, most of them in very difficult areas. KKI had to set up a very creative and effective strategy for multiplication: we arranged a training camp for one hundred local staff, divided in ten groups of ten people. We then had a camp with eight hundred kids, and the ten groups of staff joined as part of their practical training.

After that, each group went for an outreach to six different tribes. At the end, we had sixty-one camps, reaching about 30,000 kids (we don't know the exact number). We found out after-ward that most of the teams did more than six camps. Each camp was five days long, followed by one day of prayer and evaluation and one day of rest.

Most of these young leaders went back to their tribes (with no communication network) to train others and start KKI in many different locations. Please pray for the communication that is not easy in such a country and for the protection and growth of what has been sown. Tribes (with no communication network) to train others and start KKI in many different locations.

KKI Egypt

We dream to reach our region, but most of the nations are not open for us. However, none can stop media, so we started a project that we called: 'Speak louder' where we are using media and publishing.

Within the last 5 years we have done five different programs, we have received about a quarter of a million responses from people we could not visit in their homes! The TV satellite office is the one receiving the responses. The programs are like a short discipleship training: one is a school of prayer, one is evangelism through sports, the third program is for reaching disabled people, and the other two are for storytelling and creative teaching.

We produced two curricula in 2011. One, called, «He hears me,» is designed to help children have a prayer life, and the 160,000 copies printed have gone all over the Arab world. The other, called, «Truly Christian,» speaks about having Father God as your Friend, and the 120,000 copies were all gone within two weeks of publication.

KKI Lebanon

Kings Kids Lebanon is involved in three main ministries, the kids clubs where we disciple children and teenagers (we run three different clubs each Friday), the Palestinian refugee camp (weekly program to reach out to unchurched kids) and the yearly camps. They just started their first family club, to train families to love God and serve Him together; this one will be once a month.

KKI Jordan

Until this year, KKI Jordan has been focusing mainly on unreached children by conducting kids programs in Palestinian Refugee camps. It is about planting seeds of hope and sharing God's character and values with these children who now know that God really cares for them personally.

Next to the camps KKI Jordan has started different training programs: The PCYM school and NIKO camp have been amazing tools to train young Arab leaders. They saw characters growth, life transformation and a multiplication of the vision.

From 2012, KKI Jordan has launched a year round King's Kids group to train young disciples and reach out to the community together. They plan to organize a mega camp where King's Kids from all over the Middle East will gather to reconcile and pray for their nations.

KKI Israel

The King's Kids ministry started in Israel in 1993, and for 3 years it only included summer camps, once a year. But since 1996 the King's Kids program became a local inter denominational ministry and the meetings began taking place all through the year and not only in summers.

Since Israel is a place in which many nations reside, particularly Jewish and Arab, and since our faith as Messianics from both nations is based on Jesus Christ, the son of God, King's Kids Israel has open arms for both Arab and Jewish youth the same and in this setting we study God's word, praise Him and enjoy a unique fellowship through the love of Christ.

KKI has 3 local teams in Israel: Galilee, Central Israel and Jerusalem to disciple children and teenagers from these regions.



KKI India – Reaching out to the unreached and unwanted

Since the early '90s King's Kids has been present in South Asia. The first Indian PCYM was held in Delhi in 1994. Some of the people who were involved in that school are still around and have become leaders of King's Kids in South Asia.

The early expressions of King's Kids were the performing arts and dances that were known worldwide at that time. So a few Indians made it to the '92 Target World in Barcelona, then a team from India made it also to Target World '96 in Atlanta (Target World was the name of big events and strategies gathering thousands of king's kids participants from all around the world). But some of the KKI staff had realized that there were many children who were not in churches, in fact were far away from them. So they started to reach out to these kids living in the street. First in Chennai, then in Calcutta and later in Delhi and Nepal a ministry to street children developed and has grown over the years.

Today KKI in South Asia is focusing on children at risk, children living in the slums or the streets, without forgetting the children who need discipleship in the churches. We are working closely together with other ministry expressions in YWAM, such as Mercy Ministry or the neighbors teams. Our PCYMs are training all kinds of people who work

in many different children's ministries all through India and Nepal.

One KKI team is focusing on tribal children in the North East of India, children who are first or second generation Christians because only 25 years ago all their families were still Animists. Here are just two examples of KKI expressions in South Asia:

The Children's Conference in Dimaapur: the KKI leaders in the North East of India had for a long time had the vision to run a conference for the children in Nagaland. When they started to prepare, God confirmed it with many miracles, the first of them was the sports stadium given freely to use for four whole days. Many more miracles like that happened. The team was made up of many KKI and YWAM workers from the region and from outside India, from 9 nations in all. Over a thousand children and many parents and helpers attended the 3-day conference and were equipped and challenged through the teachings and in the workshops to live a life fully sold out for Jesus and to ask Him what He wanted from them and where He wanted them to go.

But not only the children and adults in the stadium heard the message. The entire conference was covered by the local TV station and the local newspapers. No one in the city could say he did not know about the conference or hear

the message. As a team we have been invited to the next city to do the same there.

The House of Hope in Calcutta: In 1999, Lochumlo went to reach out to the children and families in one of the districts of Calcutta. For many years she just went to the streets, gathered the children for a little program, talked to the parents, brought medicine and sometimes food to them. A few years back, she started with a day care where the children could come in the morning, wash themselves and get their clothes washed, have a meal, learn to read and write but also worship God together and hear stories from the Bible. Because the parents were concerned about their girls who became teenagers and were in danger in the streets, they asked Lochumlo to open a night shelter for them, where they could sleep in a safe place. Today there is a night shelter both for boys and girls as well as the day care. Soon Lochumlo will be able to buy her own house where all three expressions can be united in one place. Lochumlo and her team have not given up going into the streets and are still seen there, visiting the families, bringing help, counseling the parents and spending time with the children.

KKI Puerto Rico

The King's Kids Ministry in Puerto Rico began in July 1989, creating a platform from which young people ages 7-19 could proclaim the truth that transforms individuals and nations.

We began with children from 4 to 15 years old from a local church that opened its doors to us. We didn't know how to work with these little ones, but we did know how to challenge them to have a heart for God and the nations.

We were and are committed to raising up the emerging generations to play a strategic role in completing the Great Commission. We understood that we were discipling for long-lasting faith. But the fruit has been unbelievable. After many years watching them grow up, when they turned 18, they became our DTS students. And after hearing the voice of God they joined YWAM Puerto Rico. Today they are our missionaries and national staff. And five of them

nations overseas. We have served in 50 countries.

The ministry also opened doors to reach countries like China, Cuba and Russia.

Their voices have gone far... reaching 17 countries with the KKI Ministry. We have sung for many different audiences: churches, governors, festivals and schools. The governments of different countries have opened their doors, inviting us to International Festivals in China and Russia. In addition to this, the governments of P.R., El Salvador, Nicaragua, Cuba and Central Asia have given us audience. Our young people have met with mayors and dignitaries as ambassadors of good will.

The ministry has produced four cd's albums, and their voices have been heard around the world with the message of truth. We recognize that music is a universal language and that faith comes by hearing, so our responsibility is to make music accessible to the

children and young people to be able to bring transformation to a nation.

The Fruit

After 22 years of ministry, we have seen the lasting fruit of long term investment, and today we can say that our former King's Kids are now our best workers in the mission. It requires lot of patience, recognizing and encouraging the potential of children, teaching them to know God and make Him known, teaching and training them with the importance of working in teams, uniting the generations and partnering with others to proclaim and extend the Kingdom of God. The future of the church and of YWAM begins with child discipleship.

Our goal is to teach children and youth God's ways so that they can develop an intimate relationship with Him and become men and women of godly character, to bring transformation to the nations. Children will define the future which will make our legacy even more significant and lasting.



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PCYM and training

PCYM means Principles in Child and Youth Ministry. This is the school in which we train our KKI staff and leaders, as well as any person called to serve children, youth and their families. Decades of ministry with children, teens and families served to highlight the need for this kind of training course: there is seldom a shortage of young people for Christian activities, but there is often a shortage of trained, envisioned leaders to reach, disciple and mobilize them for the Kingdom of God.

PCYM is usually a 6-month residential training school, combining practical ministry involvement with quality lecture and workshop input from local and international speakers - people who are experts in their field because of their years of experience working with young people and families. In some settings, the training is also offered in a seminar and evening course format

in order to serve a broad spectrum of people working with youth in a mission context or in the local church. The course aims to provide students with a Biblical perspective of children, youth and family, and to equip them with foundational principles and skills in relating to and working with the emerging generations. PCYM is offered in the context of a year-round ministry setting, and hands-on ministry involvement is an important component of the training - not only during the ensuing field assignment and optional internships, but throughout the lecture phase of the course as well.

Over the past twenty five years, the Principles in Child and Youth Ministry training school has been held in strategic locations on every continent. Former PCYM students and interns have gone on to be missionaries, youth pastors, schoolteachers and social

workers; they have pioneered ministry to young people and families in Africa, Asia and every other continent of the world; they are investing their lives and their skills in making a difference for the young people of the 21st century. For students who have already completed YWAM's discipleship training school, the PCYM is a fully accredited course (Colleges of Education and Christian Ministries) with the University of the Nations. You can find a list of the upcoming PCYMs in the world on our website: www.kkilink.net or by writing to us at: barbaraconnor@gmail.com or famgjzeller@gmail.com.

Our KKI national and regional leaders regularly organize seminars, conferences and other forms of training which you could join if interested. We are also available to come to your church or organization and train your people in vision, principles and skills to serve the next generation.





Family

Building strategically from the core

In the beginning of KKI, most of the staff were parents, involved with their own children in a discipleship process, including getting to know Him intimately, learning to hear His voice and to obey in radical ways. Then, little by little, the ministry tended to slip towards kids programs where parents could bring their children, leaving the responsibility of training them in the faith to « professionals ». These last few years, the Lord has been reminding us of the primary role parents are called to play and the fact we should be careful not to let our ministry slip too much towards a program mentality.

However, we have realized that many parents feel lost, unable and unfit for the task, not knowing how to pass on their faith to their children. Even so, God's primary strategy is to use parents in daily life settings, as Deuteronomy 6:6-7 reminds us. How can we build parents' self-confidence again? How can we call them again to the vitally important mandate of preparing the next generation? And how can we build effective partnerships between families, local churches and "specialized" ministries?

The Lord gave us several strategies to reach these goals. In Hong-Kong, where family life is quite challenging because of the hectic work schedule, Dale and Carol Kauffman spend much time giving pastors and leaders a strategy and tools to train Christian families and thus to strengthen the church and the Christian witness.

Opening their eyes to the importance of linking the generations to pass on God's blessing and legacy in the bigger spiritual family setting, they next turn

towards the biological family through a training course including a marriage weekend and parenting skills development. But the core of it is targeting the discovery of God's vision and purpose for the family and defining each family's mission statement. Then, there are Family Adventure Weekends, including activities where entire families can learn more about how to welcome Jesus into their daily lives, how to become a team and how to be a source of blessing for the people around, either in their neighborhood or in the nations.

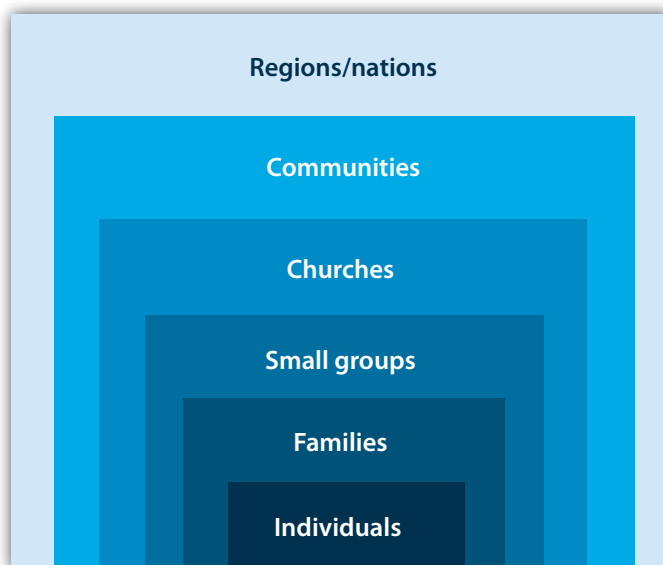
In Norway, Kiersten Kauffman-Pedersen works on strategies and tools to equip intergenerational small groups. In these settings, families as well as singles can gather together to fellowship and encourage one another.

In Switzerland, Guy and Joële Zeller hold different camps to help families grow in their vision and capacity to love and serve the Lord together. Many seminars and training courses in churches complete the offer, and more is to come, like a network of grandparents actively involved in praying and loving the younger generations, or Parents Training Schools in several regions.

KKI Argentina with Walter and Claudia Luna is working on the development

of a sexual abuse prevention center. Next to that, they are investing in the discipleship of specific families and training them to do the same.

As family is at the core of God's strategy, we are committed to building lifestyle models that can be multiplied and reproduced in many different settings. We are called to disciple



nations, but it all starts with individuals, then marriages and families, then small groups, then churches, then it overflows to influence the community and the nations.

KKI has produced numerous resources in different languages in order to encourage this vision and pass on tools, skills and practical programs that are based on our values and that nurture a passion for the successive generations. You can get more information about the existing materials in your own language by contacting one of our regional leaders.

Summarizing our strategy: the OK diagram

From the beginning, God led us as KKI to engage with three main spheres of life: what was happening in our midst as YWAM/KKI, what was happening in the homes of the families we were relating to, and what was happening in the gathered church. We came up with a very simple diagram to show how we can bring together what happens in the home, in the church and in specialized discipleship ministries like YWAM/KKI: We call it the OK diagram.

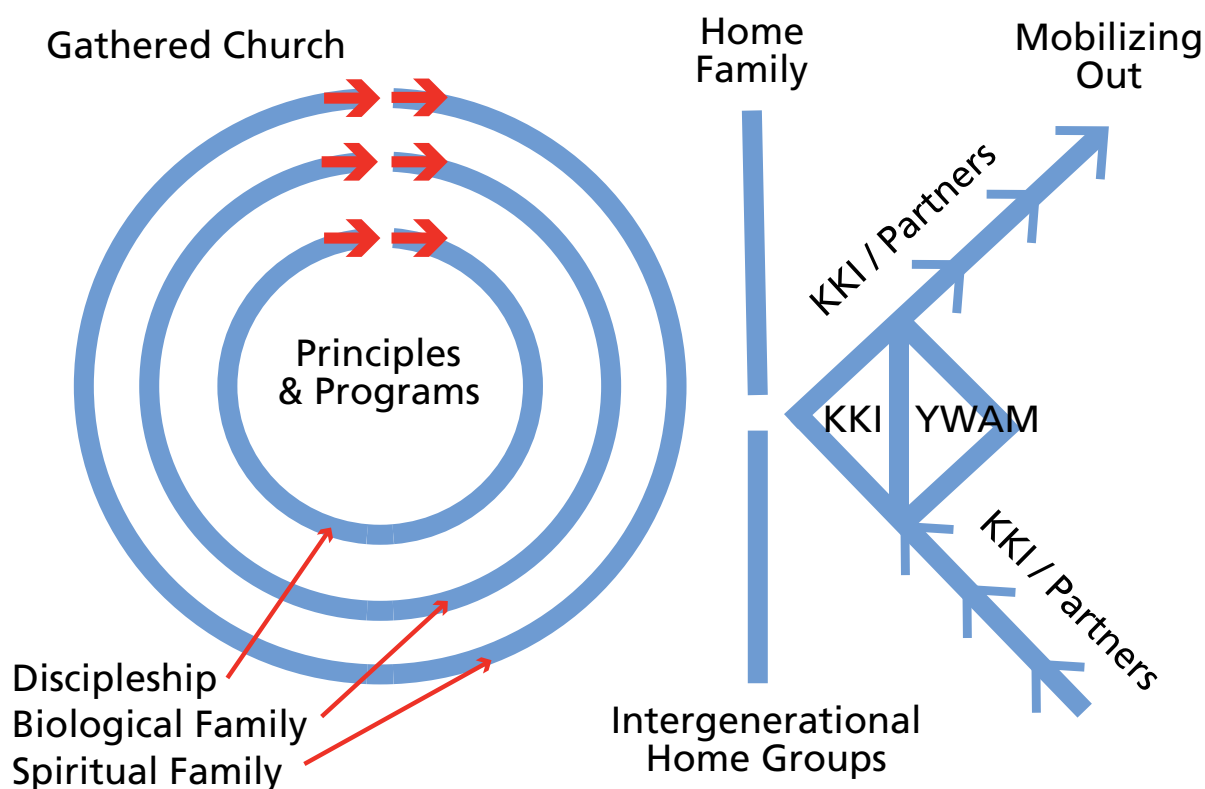
In the gathered church, we recognize cycles of truths and teachings the whole church is going through during the year. We want to invest in local churches and are ready to partner and train them in the areas of spiritual family (connexion and transfer between the generations), of biological family (how can we train the families of the church to know, love and serve God during the week and adopt a lifestyle that brings joy to His heart) and of discipleship (how can we train the different age group and lead them in a proven knowledge of God. We do this in passing on principles (why do we want to do that) and programs (how can we do that).

In the biological family, we want to strengthen and equip families to live their faith at home and encourage them to

gather friends and people around them to extend their family life with others, creating home groups (that can be intergenerational) where mutual support, encouragement and accountability can be lived out in a smaller group, under the supervision of the local church.

KKI is represented as the center of the K, connected with local churches and families. It could have an identity of its own, like an office or a community center. KKI so becomes a platform serving these churches and families, training them to live the kingdom values the Lord has given us, and mobilizing them into practical steps of service into local, national or international outreaches. KKI can become a catalyst to promote unity and cooperation between the churches. We could also become a place of convening of different ministries wanting to connect with the families and churches we are linked with.

So we see KKI as a service platform and a catalyst in the community, engaging with families and with the larger local church, sharing the task of reaching, training and mobilizing the next generation together. at a point where some people call it "The Great Omission".



Partnership how can we serve you and with you?

We believe KKI is called to be part of a global movement in the nations to encourage a refreshed vision of ministry towards children, young people and their families. The values and principles the Lord has given us are not ours; they are Kingdom values. They do not belong to us alone.

Our concern is that the vision, the values and the strategies the Lord has taught through all these years will not stay "imprisoned" in our ministries, but that we would be able to pass them further to other ministries, churches, families and organizations and, in so doing, that we would be able to contribute to developing a whole network of relationships in our nations between like-minded people seeking to reach and disciple the next generations.

As we focus more and more on unreached children, we are even more aware of our inadequacy for the task! We want to partner. Rather than only building our own ministry, we need to be focused on what the Father is doing in our nations and join Him in that. We do not have it all.

We won't be able to do it alone. We dream of a net woven across the nations, a net of relationships that go beyond denominations, theological convictions and sensitivities to enable us to pursue together the common mission the Lord has entrusted us with: to reach, train, care for and mobilize the next generations. We firmly believe God is leading us into a new season where partnership and cooperation with others will take place more and more. KKI is partnering with several global movements, like the 4/14 Window Movement in order to accomplish this. Of course, partnership means that everyone has something to contribute.

As KKI, here is what we can offer:

To families:

- Opportunities to be trained and to serve together
- Training and networking for parents
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To churches:

- Camps and seminars
- Global training strategy
- Generational vision and training
- Training for parents and families

To the rest of YWAM:

- Training in YWAM centers and schools
- Seminars, training of staff families
- Help to develop family friendly centers
- Help to launch a KKI ministry

To other movements or organizations:

- Workshops and training
- Networking, strategizing and building projects together
- Sharing and learning from each other



How Can you help us?

We know that we in KKI are only part of a bigger picture. Partnership is about giving and about receiving, and we also need help and support to continue in the mission God has given us. If you are interested in helping us, you can do so in three different ways:

Pray:

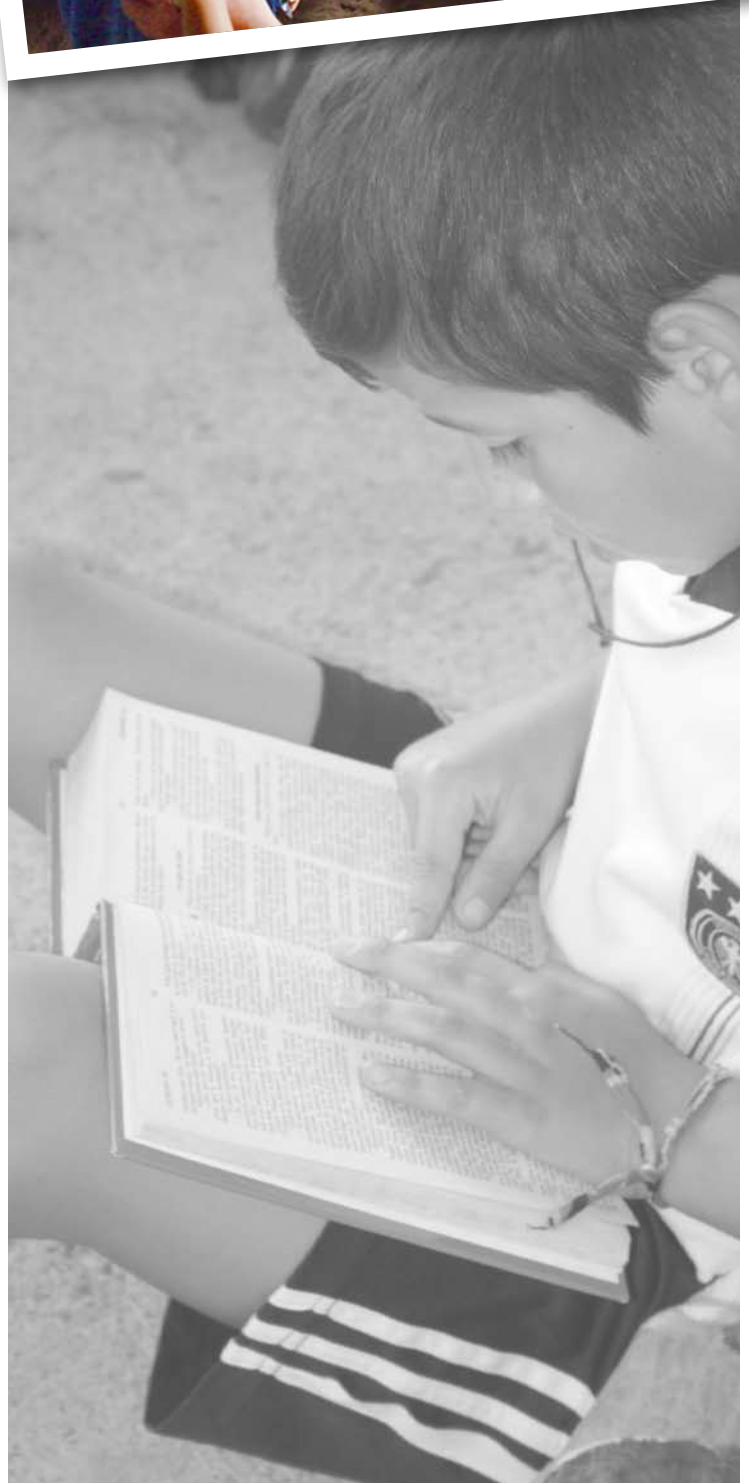
This is our main need as we often find ourselves on the front line serving the needs of the smallest ones. We have a global KKI prayer network that you are welcome to join if you want to. You can also adopt KKI in one particular nation and regularly pray for our team there, receiving news directly from them.

Provide:

As in other YWAM ministries, all our KKI staff are volunteers and do not receive any salary. Each one puts his/her faith in God to provide for daily needs, and many times He answers by raising friends and churches to support and bless them. If you would like to help in this way, by supporting individual staff, national ministries or specific projects, this would be most welcome.

Participate:

KKI could not continue without new people participating in specific activities, in training or in joining our staff. "The harvest is great, but the laborers are few," is still true today. If you are interested in joining us short-, medium- or long-term, please feel free to contact us.





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