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EWI Takes Converge to Morocco, Turkey & France

In the spring, Converge teams traveled to three countries in Europe, Eurasia and North Africa. What an honor to serve churches and worship teams in these three key areas!

Istanbul, Turkey

Worship seminars are rare in this country where there are an estimated 120,000 Christians and some 350 churches. Brussels Lifepoint Church worship pastor David Ebensberger served as my teaching partner at the premier Converge Turkey on March 8. David is a multi-talented teacher, so together we were able to offer a full day of general teaching sessions as well as workshops for vocals, band, sound and songwriting. About 30 internationals and Turks attended the seminar held at All Nations Church – and we're looking forward to returning for Converge Turkey 2.0!



CONVERGE TURKEY 2014



CONVERGE PARIS 2014

Paris, France

We welcomed 80 participants at our third Converge Paris at Eglise du Bon Berger (Church of the Good Shepherd). Teaching staff included myself, Zach Lowrie (Brussels) and Kelly Delp (Paris) as well as Kathryn Baxter, director of our partnering organization, Ecole du Louange and a few local teachers in Paris including my old friend Johan Sode who directs a nationwide worship ministry in France. We've developed a great partnership with Kathryn, her school of worship and church, and already have our 2015 event on the books.

Casablanca, Morocco

Converge Morocco, held March 29, was our second event in this country of 35 million with less than one percent of the total population claiming to be Christian. Our team consisted of myself, Zach Lowrie, Allyster Taubeneck, Samuel Rabet and Kelly Delp – all European-based. About 70 participants attended the Converge which was followed by a worship concert featuring the Converge band as well as groups from the host church and a French-language church. What a great encore to our first Converge held in Morocco in 2012!



CONVERGE MOROCCO 2014

Coming up in the fall

European Worship Institute events in London, The Netherlands, Kosovo and Spain!

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A Word from Converge Hosts

We asked hosts from our most recent training events to share what is happening in their regions and how Converge contributes to the spiritual level of their churches, cities and nations. Here are their responses:

Peyton Harris *Istanbul, Turkey*

“Worshiping in Turkey is a great privilege for us. Yet, it is so different than what we are used to in our home countries. As well, Nations Church intentionally welcomes the local population to worship with us and to hear God’s Word. Converge Conference dovetailed with our context and gave us tools to help us be more effective in an environment that is not as spiritually welcoming to us as we would like. At times we feel totally overwhelmed and outnumbered, but coming together for worship helps us to gain perspective. The Converge Conference helped to train our worship leaders to be worshippers who lead others who also feel overwhelmed and outnumbered.”

Kathryn Baxter *Paris, France*

“Paris is on the verge of a major move of the Holy Spirit. On a citywide level, we have discovered that worshippers are often catalysts to such a move. This is why we unite worship leaders in events such as Converge: to train, equip, inspire, and release the anointing to a great level. When we understand that the Father seeks worshippers in spirit and in truth, we realize that the training given to, and the connections made among, worship leaders from different churches can go a long way in igniting a Holy Spirit fire. But even more importantly, we believe that one of the keys is teaching musicians, composers, singers and support teams how to be carriers of God’s presence in every area of their lives. Converge is an event that they can attend to receive a rich spiritual deposit as well as precious practical tools.”

Chris Martin *Casablanca, Morocco*

“In March we sponsored our second Converge Worship Conference in Casablanca Morocco (the first was in 2012). Attendees came from all over Morocco. Morocco is completely Muslim and thus there are essentially no development-type ministries like Converge here. The Converge team came to Morocco at their personal expense and did a fabulous job; training participants in all aspects of church worship... from ‘how to lead a church service’ to ‘songwriting’ to ‘how to manage the sound board’. They are really an amazing and gifted team.”

Summer Ministry

Jeff returns to Europe May 19 (along with Nick on the 28th) for two months of summer ministry including the following:

- **Caorle, Italy:** May 25-29, I’ll attend the FEIC Leadership Retreat, a retreat for pastors and leaders involved with the Fellowship of European International Churches (of which both Christian Center and The Bridge are a part)
- **Lugano, Switzerland:** June 6-9, Nick and I will be in Lugano, Switzerland where I’ll lead worship for a retreat.
- **London, England:** If all goes as planned, we’ll hold our first Converge in the United Kingdom on October 4. I plan to make a quick trip to London this summer to meet with the host church and work on logistics for the event.
- **Paris, France:** We’ll be back at The Bridge in Paris a few Sundays to help out.
- **Brussels, Belgium:** We’ll be involved at Christian Center as well.

Coming Up in the Fall

Oct. 4: London – Converge (TBC)
Oct. 8-10: Netherlands – Focus Sessions
Oct. 13-16: Vienna, Austria – FEIC Leadership Summit
Oct. 17-19: Pristina, Kosovo – Converge
Oct. 25: Cádiz, Spain – Converge
Nov. 6-9: Budapest, Hungary – Leading worship at a conference

Summer Projects

Nick and I are excited about being back in Europe this summer. While Nick reconnects with friends, attends youth group and youth camp, I will connect with pastors and leaders at the European International Church retreat, meet with Converge hosts in London, The Netherlands and other countries as needed, lead worship at a church retreat in Switzerland, and minister at both Christian Center and The Bridge.

Would you considering partnering with us through these projects as we minister in Europe this summer? We have several special projects that – if funded – will help us as we travel and serve. And then there’s a very special project of helping Nick get to summer youth camp!

Those projects are:
European International Church Leadership Retreat: \$400
Switzerland Church Retreat Travel: \$300
Converge Planning Travel: \$400
Travel to The Bridge in Paris: \$200
Youth Camp for Nick: \$350
Jeff’s airfare ticket: \$1500
Total amount we’re trusting for: \$3150

See project card enclosed for information on how to make a donation to our 501c3 organization. Thank you!

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SUMMER PROJECT CARD



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A Word to You from **Christopher Martin** Casablanca, Morocco

If you are currently partnering with Jeff and Kathy Slaughter – I want to thank you. Your support makes it possible for them to bless churches in obscure places like Morocco. If you are not partnering with the Slaughters... I'd like to encourage you to. They are doing ministry worthy of your support and helping expand the Kingdom of God in difficult places.

When you support the Slaughters you are joining in the work they are doing. You may not be able to travel to Morocco to bless the churches here yourself but when you support a faithful ministers like the Slaughters, you are in Morocco... and you are blessing the work of the Lord through them."

"Therefore we ought to support such men, so that we may be fellow workers with the truth." 3 John 1:8

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Thank you!