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Who knew what God would do in 4 years?

When Niki and I came to Slovenia in 2010 on a short-term trip, we were part of the first group of students coming here to help launch a movement of college students who would reach this country with the gospel. There was no one serving here long-term, and we didn't know a single student.

Now, 4 years later, we have 7 long-term staff committed to three or more years in Slovenia and 8 recent graduates who are here for the next year or two. We also have a number of key student leaders helping lead bible studies and sharing their faith on campus. We see God answering our prayer for laborers in Slovenia, and we're trusting Him for a great harvest of lost students becoming Christcentered disciples.

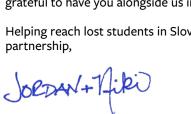
At the end of October, we spent two days as a team, dreaming and praying about what God would have for us and the ministry in Slovenia in the next five years leading up to the year 2020. Each country with a Cru movement in Eastern Europe is praying for something significant by 2020.

Specifically, we're praying for 150 student leaders to be raised up and prepared to reach classmates, coworkers, families, and each sector of society with the message of Jesus. We know that is an impossible goal through our own efforts, but we're asking God to move in a mighty way and continue opening the hearts of Slovenes to Jesus.

We're also trusting the Lord to launch a movement on a campus in Maribor, Slovenia-the second largest campus with around 25,000 students-where there is currently no Cru campus ministry.

Would you pray with us? Please join us in believing God in a powerful way for more and more student leaders who follow Jesus and want to reach others in the next five years. We are excited about what God is up to, and we are grateful to have you alongside us in our vision for 2020.

Helping reach lost students in Slovenia through your partnership,





Our team during our planning retreat after dreaming about what God might have in store for Slovenia.

Prayers

Pray for more 150 student leaders by the year 2020. Pray God would move in a remarkable way and also help us launch a ministry in Maribor.

Praise

o Praise God for the laborers in Slovenia and the students who have already been reached with the gospel. We're trusting Him for even more over the next five years.



We will have another new member added to our team around July 13, 2015-Niki is just over 6 weeks pregnant! We're thrilled that the Lord has blessed us with a baby, and we will certainly keep you updated. We plan to have the baby here in Slovenia. Please pray for a healthy pregnancy and for grace to navigate this exciting season overseas.