

MOV Moves Into Central America



On a hill overlooking the small city of Bluefields and the balmy Caribbean, MOV taught 80 men for two days, hosted by the Verbo churches and Pastors Ed Janecke and Humberto Newball.

Churches and unchurched men, missionaries, pastors and leaders from 10 churches attended on April 25-26. Hugely enthusiastic and at times deeply convicted, the men received the MOV teachings with humility and great appreciation. Two men came to Christ. Whoever said men do not hug? These brothers did without reservation.



Casey Gragg (left, above) from McLean Bible Church in Vienna, Va., co-led the 10 sessions, while Casey's son, Carl, served as photographer.

Our teachings focused on a man's position, priorities and practices, and we led several "men lessons" to reinforce the biblical principles.



We challenged the men to stand together to face the battles of life. We also conducted two extra sessions on why men avoid church and how to draw men to church.

This was MOV's second trip to Nicaragua. Cedar Run Community Church in Oak Hill, Va.,

Summer 2014

A Season of Opportunities

Dear Friends,

It has been a busy six months! In February, we enjoyed a successful benefit concert; April brought the first MOV conference in Bluefields, Nicaragua; In May, Lakeridge Baptist, taught the MOV materials in the first men's conference in Southeast Asia; and June saw our first MOV Mobilization Session. We are working on conferences in four countries in the fall, and formulating a partnership with an international mission agency to send teams to their 11 countries. Plus, we are editing the messages for publication.

This is great! The Lord is expanding and blessing the work and we are trying to keep up. Please pray with us for adequate funding and administrative support to handle the increasing workload. But what a great problem to have!

For Him and His men of valor around the world,

Brad

P.S. Please consider sending a generous gift to Men of Valor today so that we can train additional teams, publish the book as a conference resource, and pay for the upcoming Africa and Eastern European trips.

"One sows and another reaps. I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."
John 4:37-38

MOV Mobilization Meeting



Men and church leaders in Northern Virginia are catching the vision to impact families, churches and communities in multiple countries - through targeting men. Thirteen men from Centreville Baptist, Reston Bible, Lakeridge Baptist, Melrose Bible, Cedar

MOV is Going to Kenya, Burundi & Tanzania in Early October



MOV anticipates traveling to Eburru, Kenya; Bujumbura, Burundi; and Kigomi, Tanzania in October. Brad will be joined by Alex Marcus, Men's Ministry Director at Reston Bible Church, Sterling, Va.. This is Alex's first MOV trip and one of our new team members (see separate article: *MOV Mobilization Meeting*).

Steve Njenga, our host pastor in Kenya, is a church planter, missionary and founder of Camp Brethren Ministries. He has planted two churches; opened a school, feeding initiative and an orphanage; begun a medical clinic and maternity ward; and started a pastoral training program. His growing desire to reach the largely unemployed men in the surrounding communities is the driving force for our trip.



In Burundi, Congolese refugees have lived in a refugee camp for so long that churches have been established—but with few men. Pastors Kitumaini and Kingombe are coordinating this conference and also a MOV conference in Kigoma, Tanzania, at a second camp of refugees from DR Congo.

MOV is Going to Montenegro in November



sponsored Mark Seager to work with the Verbo Churches in Managua in December 2013.

MOV in Southeast Asia

Lakeridge Baptist Church of Woodbridge, Va., has traveled to Southeast Asia many times in recent years. Church members have led evangelistic outreaches, VBS and sports camps, but this year they decided to target men. Tony Dronkers, Men's Ministry Leader, contacted MOV. MOV provided LBC's "Swordsmen of Faith" team, led by Chris Ross, the MOV core messages and explained what we do and how.

The team traveled to SE Asia in May, and with limited time available, taught four sessions to the local outreach team (pictured below) of national pastors and evangelists. Tony says that this pilot was so well received that the missionaries LBC works with are looking at expanding throughout the nation.



Chris and Tony have also signed up to be the MOV country lead for SE Asia. They will be responsible for following up the pastors and evangelists; provide resources as needed; coordinate return visits and conferences; and perhaps assist with additional training or direct Bible study through Skype, etc.

One LBC missionary wrote and said "my passion is to see the churches disciple our men to be godly, kingdom men. Missing from the culture here are good godly examples of how men are supposed to live. I have a burden to challenge men and help them see how important their role is as men."

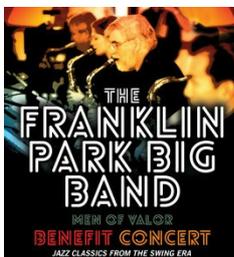
Lakeridge Baptist, McLean Bible, Cedar Run Community, and Blue Ridge Bible attended the first-ever MOV Team Member Orientation on June 21. Prospective team members heard how MOV started, summaries of the messages, the conference approach and what to be aware of on trips.

Trip veterans Bruce Campbell (India & Tanzania), Casey Gragg (Nicaragua), Tony Dronkers & Chris Ross (SE Asia) and Mark Seager (Nicaragua, Tanzania & Zambia) provided first-hand observations, stories and practical tips.

MOV is mobilizing teams to meet the growing requests for conference leaders/teachers. In the next 24 months, MOV is looking to send teams to conduct at least 14 conferences.

Interested in joining a trip? E-mail brad.smith@movinternational.org.

Big Band Performs MOV Benefit Concert



The smooth swing sound of the Franklin Park Big Band drew a standing ovation from the 150 concert-goers at the MOV Benefit on February 16. Benefits: More people heard about Men of Valor; ticket sales and donations funded one-third of the monies needed for the April 2014 trip to Nicaragua (see separate article: *MOV Moves Into Central America*). **Thank you to host Centreville Baptist and to The Franklin Park Big Band (www.fpbigband.com) for their outstanding performance.**



MOV seeks to work alongside local churches to supplement their missions efforts to reach and teach men. MOV is working closely with Centreville Baptist Church missions leaders to first conduct and then pass on the MOV methods and messages to local national leaders.

In November, MOV will travel to a Roma Gypsy community in Kokik, Montenegro with CBC members and missionaries.



MOV Core Messages

A Man of Valor ♦ Why Men? ♦ A Man of Valor is a Man of the Word ♦ The 5 Roles of a Husband of Valor ♦ A Father of Valor ♦ Why Men Don't Go to Church ♦ A Man of Valor at Work ♦ 3 Things Every Man Wants ♦ A Man of Valor's Money ♦ Men of Valor Stand Together ♦ A Legacy of Valor

MOV Vision

Flourishing families, thriving churches, revived communities - through God's men of valor.

Please Give to Men of Valor

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