

KYIV CONNECTIONS



Prayer Letter of George & Sarah de Vuyst

Engaging People. Embracing Christ.

Our Mission

By God's grace and the Spirit's working we are facilitating the transformation of lives, families, churches and communities in Ukraine and around the world.

Three key ministries are our tools to fulfill this mission.

Healing Hearts, Transforming Nations is a practical workshop that takes people through the process of healing and reconciliation. We are actively leading these workshops with partner churches in eastern Ukraine. The International School of Reconciliation and the Eurasian School of Reconciliation are international venues in which we, together with our partners, train others to develop and lead healing and reconciliation ministries in their own contexts.

Timothy Leadership Training Institute equips church leaders to develop healthy congregations and effectively train their own leaders.

In addition to these ministries we are helping facilitate the introduction of **Educational Care** and **Global Coffee Break** to Ukraine and the Russian speaking world.

Settling In

The summer of transitions has been extremely busy and sometimes hard, but I think we are finally settled in. We are living in our home in Kentwood, Michigan. Abigail has moved into her dorm at Calvin and began her first year of classes on August 30. Matthew and Elizabeth began 11th and 9th grades at The Potter's House High School. Sarah is heading up the grades 5-8 inclusive learning services at Legacy Christian School. And George is working on organizing and now signing up participants for the first "Healing Hearts, Transforming Nations" immersive workshop experiences to be held in the U.S. Around all of that "settling in" we have also begun to visit our supporting churches and individuals, as well as family and friends. "Settling in" has quickly turned into "trying to keep up!"



Current Church Visit Schedule

September 19: Calvary CRC, Lowell, MI
 October 10: Highland CRC, Marion, MI
 October 17: First Cutlerville CRC, Byron Center, MI
 October 24: Cadillac CRC, Cadillac, MI
 October 31: Covenant CRC, Appleton, WI
 November 7: Baldwin St. CRC, Jenison, MI

Several more churches are yet to be determined, so watch our website, www.devuysts.com, for the updated schedule as events are confirmed.

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Prayer and Praise

Thanksgiving for:

- Opportunity to visit and reconnect with both sides of the family this summer (It had been 2 years since we were in the US.)
- The launch of Healing Hearts, Transforming Nations in North America
- The start of the school year at Calvin, The Potter's House High School and Legacy Middle School

Pray for:

- The roll out of Healing Hearts, Transforming Nations in North America
- God to lead people to apply and participate in the HHTN events
- For the planning teams to be protected from attacks by the enemy. Reconciliation is spiritual warfare and needs to be won in prayer first!
- For our partners, Healing the Nations and Rabagirana Ministries, as we work to put frameworks in place for the long term development and growth of this ministry

Healing Hearts, Transforming Nations

Our key ministry is coming from Rwanda, via Ukraine to the USA and Canada! We're excited about the pilot events we are holding this winter. Attached to this prayer letter you will find the flyer with links to more information and the application sites. We will be holding events in Southern California, Baltimore-DC area, West Michigan and the Pacific Northwest. In addition there will be a training for anyone who wants to make Healing Hearts, Transforming Nations a part of their ministry or be a part of this ministry spreading in North America. We continue to see God doing amazing works of healing and reconciliation, changing lives and communities by means of this ministry. We are confident that God can do the same right here in North America. Come join us!



Healing Hearts,
Transforming Nations

How Can You Help?

We are continually amazed at the faithful generosity of our partners. Thank you for holding us up in prayer and providing for our financial needs. This year we need your prayers and financial support in a special way. Healing and reconciliation is first of all a spiritual battle that requires prayer. Please join us in praying for the upcoming events and for God to prepare the way for them. Secondly, these events require financial support. While participants will pay for their own room and board, Resonate is covering all of the overhead expenses and costs for the facilitators and trainers. To help cover those costs, you can give to Resonate Global Mission for **Healing Hearts, Transforming Nations** fund code 806029.

In order to make these events successful, we have established a scholarship fund to facilitate participation from marginalized communities. We want to provide at least 5 scholarships for each of the 4 events (20 scholarships of \$250) and 5 scholarships for the training in May (\$375 each). If you would like to help the scholarship fund, please give to Resonate Global Mission for **HHTN Scholarships** fund code 204063. It is also possible to donate online at <https://www.resonateglobalmission.org/support/donate-now> under the "Projects-USA" dropdown menu.

We also just launched a new website: hhtnglobal.org - check it out to find out more about Healing Hearts, Transforming Nations!

HEALING HEARTS TRANSFORMING NATIONS

Immersion Workshop



In a world full of conflict and unhealed wounds

the Holy Spirit is moving in powerful ways to bring the gospel message of healing and reconciliation in unexpected places. When Jesus meets us at the cross, he not only forgives our sins, but also heals our wounds. Reconciliation, restoration, and community development begin to flow out of this healing encounter with Jesus.

Healing Hearts, Transforming Nations is an international ministry facilitating cross-centered healing and reconciliation throughout the world. You are invited to participate in this 3-day, 4-night immersive workshop and to experience a fresh encounter with Jesus at the cross.

Be a part of introducing these successful reconciliation workshops to North America.* Learn how other nations have moved from division to unity through the power of God's Spirit.

These events will be led by the founder of this ministry and the international teaching team from Rwanda, Wales, Hungary and the United States. While this is a limited time offer and space is limited, we plan to continue to hold more Healing Hearts, Transforming Nations events around North America.

***Apply today for a location near you!**
Scholarships available.

www.resonateglobalmission.org/HHTN

Locations & Dates

HHTN Immersion Workshops

Rancho Palos Verdes, CA @ Mary & Joseph Retreat Center

January 9-13, 2022 - \$500 - Application deadline: 12/18/21

Early bird rate: \$450 - ends 10/15/21

North East, MD @ Sandy Cove Ministries Center

January 16-20, 2022 - \$500 - Application deadline: 12/18/21

Early bird rate: \$450 - ends 10/15/21

Muskegon, MI @ Maranatha Bible & Missionary Center

January 23-27, 2022 - \$500 - Application deadline: 12/18/21

Early bird rate: \$450 - ends 10/15/21

Sumas, WA @ Cedar Springs Christian Retreat Center

May 4-8, 2022 - \$500 - Application deadline: 4/16/22

Early bird rate: \$450 - ends 2/18/22

North American School of Reconciliation

A 5-day, 6-night training of facilitators of the HHTN ministry experience. This hands-on training will fully equip participants with everything they need to begin conducting HHTN events in their own ministry contexts.

Sumas, WA @ Cedar Springs Christian Retreat Center

May 8-14, 2022 - \$750 - Application deadline: 4/16/22