

SET  FREE
MOVEMENT

2016

IMPACT REPORT





Dear friends,

I write this from Cambodia, just after the New Year as I reflect on the highlights of 2016 and anticipate what's to come. 2017 is going to be a great year and is already off to a great start!

The report you will read below is evidence of the steady progress being made by God, through the Set Free Movement. After 6 years, we continue to grow into a movement of hope and freedom.

————— **HOW DO WE WORK?** —————

We seek to create new futures.

In 2016, new initiatives were created, new teams were formed, and people who have been oppressed are experiencing new freedom.

We welcomed a new leader in the Philippines, who is engaging churches and bringing hope to her community. Eden's Glory continues to help women heal from human trafficking. Our team in Seattle is building a more hopeful future for children in foster care.

We seek partnerships.

Last November, we joined with more than 300 people in Manila to pray, learn, and dialogue

towards developing a strategy to help reduce the vulnerability of children being trafficked for cybersex. We are continuing to partner strong with the Church of the Nazarene, International Justice Mission, World Hope International, the Salvation Army, International Child Care Ministries, SEED, and more. We're all in this together.

We seek holistic freedom.

Together with national leaders and missionaries, we are helping to train and raise up new leaders who will help shape the values in their communities. We continue to work with our teams in Bulgaria and Hungary to find solutions and unite the movement. In the US, 35 teams are working within their local context to help people be set free physically, emotionally, mentally, and spiritually.

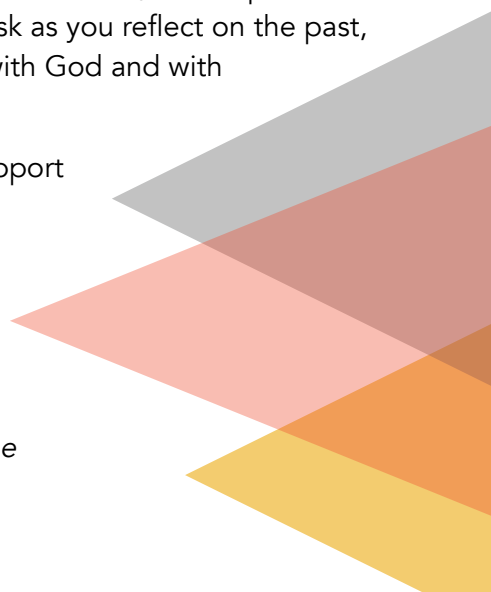
————— **WHAT IS YOUR ROLE?** —————

I invite you to read this report with expectation. Ephesians 3:20 says that God wants to do more than we can ask or imagine. . . but note that it goes on to say, "according to the power within us."

God uses us. God does the work, but he partners with us. So I have to ask as you reflect on the past, how will you partner with God and with us in 2017?

Thank you for your support and partnership!

KEVIN AUSTIN,
*Director of the Set Free
Movement*



HAVE YOU SEEN OUR NEW LOGO?

Created by our new graphic / web designed, Nicole Kennelly, we are pleased to roll out our new logo, which represents forward movement, unity, and freedom from oppression.

WE HAVE A NEW WEBSITE, TOO!

Check it out at www.SetFreeMovement.com.



WHO WE ARE

The **Set Free Movement** seeks to create new futures and end modern slavery through community-based action and partnership with others.

We coach and support **35+ teams** in the U.S. and around the world to intervene in human trafficking in their communities.



WHAT OUR TEAMS DO



GATHER TO PRAY

Teams meet regularly to pray for their cities, the world, and the issues in them.



BUILD COMMUNITY

Teams share meals, laugh together, ask questions, discuss issues, and share goals.



STUDY & LEARN

Before doing comes learning. Teams study and research relevant issues to stay informed.



RESEARCH & ASSESS

Teams identify and examine the services, gaps, and needs of their communities.



PARTNER

Teams dialogue and connect with other churches, key leaders, and agencies.



SEEK STRATEGIES

Teams develop plans to prevent, educate, rescue, mobilize, or restore based on their research.



DISCIPLE

Teams seek not only holistic justice, but deep discipleship to transform communities.



ENGAGE & SERVE

The ministry of each team looks different, but the goal is shalom and healthy communities.

SECTORS OF SOCIETY WE ENGAGED IN 2016



HEALTH



FAITH



ACADEMIA



BUSINESS



LAW + POLITICS



MEDIA

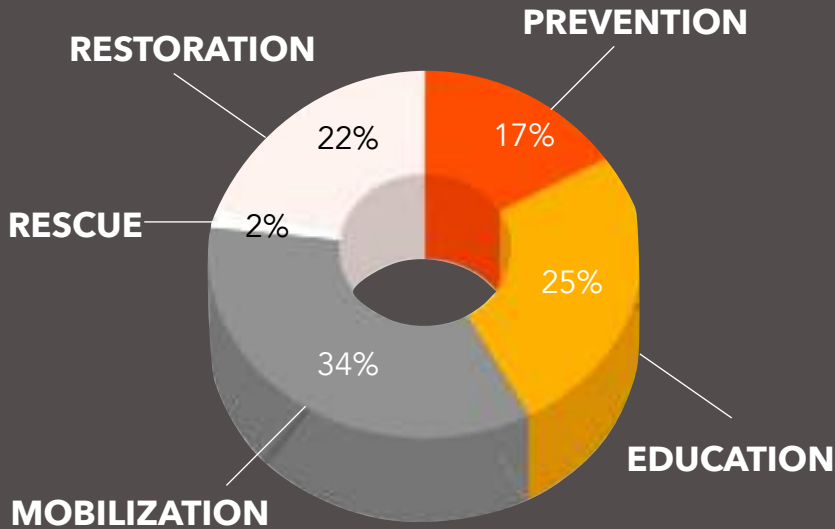


SOCIAL SERVICES



FAMILY

OUR STRATEGIES IN 2016



We engage in the five primary strategies listed at left and below. When we operate fully in each capacity, the community will engage, society will change, and lives will be restored. Our teams execute these strategies with prayer and discernment based on their team's capacity and community's needs.



MOBILIZATION

Engaging and building capacity of communities to propel them into action.



RESTORATION

Meeting the holistic needs of survivors or broken communities.



PREVENTION

Implementing strategies that identify and address the root causes of slavery.



EDUCATION

Equipping communities with knowledge to combat human trafficking.



RESCUE

Offering solutions to help victims leave trafficking and abusive situations.

HOW OUR U.S. TEAMS IMPACTED THEIR COMMUNITIES

and the rest of the world in 2016



6633

STUDENTS & YOUTH

directly impacted through trainings & events



2150

TIMES PEOPLE AT RISK OF TRAFFICKING

were reached & supported



26866

COMMUNITY MEMBERS

engaged (plus thousands more through news & radio broadcasts)



\$33077

RAISED

for local and international anti-trafficking efforts



4253

TIMES TEAM MEMBERS VOLUNTEERED

100+

AGENCIES & GROUPS WE PARTNERED WITH

4832

HOURS INVESTED BY OUR TEAM LEADERS

OUR INTERNATIONAL WORK

and global partnerships



BULGARIA

Chance and Dee Dee Galloway, our missionary partners, saw another full and hope-filled year of outreach, church planting, and discipleship in Roma communities.



HUNGARY

Ildikó Kober was officially hired as the coordinator of the Set Free Movement in Budapest and the director of the Life Skills Program with the Free Methodist Church in Hungary.



THE PHILIPPINES

Ken and Jemuel Baldo are the newest additions to our team. They seek to engage churches in addressing modern slavery, especially the online sexual exploitation of children.



HIGHLIGHTS

- finding a building that could potentially be used for the prevention home for Roma girls
- discipling 100 teens for a week, who practiced their teachings through outreach in 2 towns
- having their first Christmas in the US since 2010

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- training Roma girls ages 8-18 about their value in Christ and their susceptibility to exploitation
- bringing winter clothing to over 30 Roma families
- training missionaries, social workers in Romania, and more

HIGHLIGHTS

- Ken and Jemuel celebrated their wedding in April
- Helping to host the Freedom Forum in Manila in November
- Ken officially became hired as the coordinator of SFM in the Philippines at the end of 2016



TAIWAN

Our team hosts a support group to protect 5-9 female migrants from the Philippines facing the challenges of integrating in a new country and finding belonging in cross-cultural families.

The women receive advocacy if they encounter exploitation in their work. They also create Christian community by sharing meals, growing spiritually through devotions, praying for each other, and supporting each other through pregnancies and marital problems.

HIGHLIGHT

- the members of the support group have been learning Mandarin and are progressively improving their skills, which is helping to ease their transition



INDIA

Our director, Kevin Austin, travelled to India in August. He trained 150 Free Methodist pastors over 2 days, based on our core principle that ending modern slavery starts with building communities and healthy values – which must be led by the local church.

He also connected with numerous anti-trafficking agencies that will be key partners once the SFM begins working in a more focused capacity in India.

HIGHLIGHT

- in August, all three Free Methodist Bishops gave their consent for the SFM to begin seeking ways to network and launch teams in each conference in India



STORIES OF HOPE & UNITY



Our team in Seattle worked with about 60 youth in the foster care system to protect them from exploitation. Their team and First Free Methodist church provided care packages for children who are newly entering the system and connected them with trusting adults who can care for them while their social worker is busy. The team also hosted several appreciation events for foster care parents and social workers as an encouragement for their work.



Abby (pictured above at far left) and her team of several different churches and agencies in Macon County are an incredible model of community-based action. Their diversity and united commitment to the long-term journey of building relationships in the community has resulted in many invitations to train youth workers, hospital chaplains, and staff at prisons and pregnancy centers to support them in addressing the brokenness they encounter daily.

EDEN'S GLORY

2016 was the first full year that Eden's Glory was a 24-hour home to women who have survived human trafficking. The residents participated in art therapy, daily fitness and nutrition, horse therapy, social enterprise training, crocheting, gardening, cooking, bike riding, car maintenance, banking, first aid training, and other activities to help in their healing.

But it's about more than activities—it's about transformation. As one of their residents commented, "What you offer is more than a program. It's a new way of life."



THE PHILIPPINES

In November, our team helped host a Freedom Forum in Manila, which was a powerful and moving opportunity to unite at least 300 participants of all backgrounds, from students to social workers to Catholic nuns. This event was catalytic and successful event due to the partnership of World Hope International, International Justice Mission, Salvation Army, the Church of the Nazarene, the Wesleyan Church, and the Wesleyan Holiness Connection Freedom Network.



OUR HEADQUARTERS

The Set Free Movement was able to reach new levels this year thanks to the growth of our team. In the fall, we were thrilled to bring on two new part-time staff members: Nicole Kennelly (pictured at left) for graphic and web design, and Diane Castle (right) to support our 35 teams in the U.S. They've made invaluable contributions by redesigning our website and logo, planning events, and providing pastoral care and support to our U.S. leaders.



REFUGE IN WICHITA, KS

Refuge, our team in Wichita, creates intentional Christian community addressing the hurt and needs of those who are homeless, hungry, unemployed, or reintegrating from prison in order to protect them from exploitation. Last year, our team served people in vulnerable circumstances 887 times for adults and 240 times for youth. A highlight was giving purses filled with essential items for women leaving domestic violence situations or integrating from prison.

WHAT'S NEXT?



JOIN US FOR FREEDOM SUNDAY

On **September 24, 2017**, we will join with International Justice Mission, Church of God Anderson, Nazarenes, Wesleyans, and others, collectively worshipping and acting in the direction of freedom. More information is coming your way!



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Read our "Partnership Proposal" on our Resources page on our website to learn more about our projects and need.



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