

# ANNUAL REPORT CANADA 2025





# Dear Mission Eurasia Partners,

As we reflect on 2025, we want to take a moment to express our deepest gratitude for your incredible support. This year, like many before, has presented its share of challenges—but with those challenges have come remarkable opportunities to make a difference.

Imagine the countless lives transformed by the Gospel across the 15 countries we serve. Picture a mother in Ukraine, grasping a scripture card amid the chaos, her heart ignited with hope. This is the tangible impact of your generosity. You are not just donors; you are partners in a mission that changes lives and transforms communities. Your unwavering support helps us adapt our ministry, ensuring that we can respond effectively to the very real needs of those who are eager to hear the good news of Jesus Christ.

Your faithful support here in Canada enables us to adapt and respond wisely to the very real needs of those eager to hear the good news of Jesus Christ.

This year marks an important milestone: our first Mission Eurasia Canada Impact Report, focused specifically on what God has done through Canadian partners. Within these pages, you'll see how your generosity is fueling a holistic ministry that meets the spiritual, physical, and emotional needs of children and adults across Eurasia and Israel.

As you read through the report, I encourage you to pause and reflect on the victories we've achieved together. Celebrate each success, no matter how small, and join us in prayer for the journey ahead. Each act of kindness, each step of faith, is a powerful reminder of how God works through all of us to dispel darkness and shine His light—especially in places like Ukraine, where the shadows of war loom large.

At Mission Eurasia Canada, we are committed to supporting local churches in their mission to proclaim the Gospel and make disciples, in line with Jesus' call in Matthew 28:18-19. Through focused training, scripture distribution, and the mobilization of the next generation of Christian leaders, we're fostering communities of faith that are vibrant and resilient.

Together, we are witnessing the profound transformation that occurs when the Gospel is shared. Lives are being revitalized, and communities are being restored as the heart of Christ beats within them. Thank you for standing with us in this important work. Your belief in our mission makes all the difference.

May God bless you abundantly.

Warm regards,



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gordon Balfour'.

Dr. Gordon Balfour  
Executive Director  
Mission Eurasia Canada



## Mission

At Mission Eurasia, we are driven by a singular mission: to train, equip, and mobilize Christian leaders throughout Eurasia who engage in indigenous evangelism, church planting, holistic ministries, and church growth. By developing creative and strategic initiatives and facilitating partnerships between nationals and Western Christians, we strive to fulfill the Great Commission.

## Vision

Our vision for the future is clear: we aim to evangelize, train, equip, and mobilize the next generation in Eurasia and Israel, empowering them to lead the church and transform their nations for Christ.

## Leadership Training & Development



### SCHOOL WITHOUT WALLS (SWW)

In 2025, School Without Walls remains the heartbeat of Mission Eurasia's ministry—a flexible, hands-on training movement that shapes young Christians into courageous servant-leaders.

Because of the sacrificial generosity of our Canadian donors, **1089 students** received a full year of intensive, Bible-based leadership training. Through deep Scripture study, mentoring, accountability groups, and practical ministry experience, these young men and women were equipped to live out the gospel in real time.

SWW leaders are now serving refugees and orphans, planting new churches, preaching and sharing God's Word, offering pastoral care, leading worship, and distributing life-sustaining humanitarian aid across Eurasia.

Every story of hope, every church planted, every life touched through SWW this year is directly linked to the faithful support of Canadian believers who chose to invest in Christ-centred leadership for a region in great need.

### NEXT GENERATION LEADERS ACROSS EURASIA AND ISRAEL

Thanks to the generosity of Canadian donors, Mission Eurasia is equipping a new generation of Christian leaders who are impacting 14 nations of Eurasia and Israel for Christ—strengthening the church, spreading the gospel, and shaping their societies from within. Poland, Belarus, Ukraine, Moldova, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Israel, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, and Russia.

### NEXT GENERATION PROFESSIONAL LEADERS INITIATIVE (NGPLI)

Through NGPLI, young Christian professionals are being trained and mobilized to live out their faith in the marketplace. With support from Canadian believers, they are equipped for workplace evangelism through gospel-centered forums, conferences, resources, and professional networks—using their careers as a powerful platform to share Christ and influence their culture for the kingdom of God.

## Church Planting & Church Growth Among Unreached People Groups

Across Eurasia, millions still have no meaningful access to the gospel. Of the world's 6,671 unreached people groups, more than 300—representing over 90 million people—live in the former Soviet Union alone.

Mission Eurasia is committed to changing that. With strong support from Canadian donors, we are working toward an ambitious goal: **reaching 120 unreached people groups in Russia and 300 across Eurasia** through local, indigenous churches.

Since 1991, we have been training and mobilizing Next Generation national leaders—especially through School Without Walls—to cross borders, plant churches, and faithfully share Christ in places where there was often not even a single known believer.

Because Canadian Christians chose to invest in this mission, isolated communities in Western Siberia, the North Caucasus, Roma communities in Ukraine, and **unreached people groups in Southern Kazakhstan** are now hearing the name of Jesus—many for the very first time.

Since the fall of the Soviet Union in 1991, we have focused on **training and mobilizing Next Generation national leaders** to reach these hard-to-reach areas. Through programs like **School Without Walls**, local believers are equipped to cross borders, plant churches, and persistently witness to communities that often lack even a single follower of Jesus.





## Frontline Leadership in Ukraine: School Without Walls, Zaporizhzhia



On the front line in Zaporizhzhia, a new season of School Without Walls has launched at the Reimer Center—right in the shadow of war. More than twenty young believers gathered to seek God’s calling, learning that vocation is more than a career; it’s a heart that continually says “yes” to Him, even through hardship.

Through Scripture, prayer, and honest sharing, these young leaders were strengthened to follow Christ courageously in one of Ukraine’s most dangerous regions. School Without Walls is more than a program—it’s a lifeline for a new generation of Christian leaders whose faith is costly, but steadfast.

Because of the faithful support of Canadian donors, this frontline training continues, equipping young men and women to stand as beacons of hope in their devastated communities.

## “Unfollow” Camp in Georgia: Lizi’s Story of Transformation

In Georgia, the School Without Walls team and local church partners recently brought hope to 110 children at the “Unfollow” evangelistic camp. Through creative activities and engaging discussions, leaders guided teens to discover that a relationship with Christ is a vibrant, daily reality rather than just a Sunday obligation.

Fifteen-year-old Lizi arrived at camp feeling shy and hesitant, but the inclusive atmosphere proved transformative. She flourished during small group discussions, finding open friendship and honest conversations about faith. “I realized that happiness comes when you try to live according to God’s commandments,” Lizi reflected, marking a profound shift in her outlook.

Now back home, Lizi is excitedly attending Sunday school and continuing her spiritual journey. Her story is just one shining example of how your support is nurturing a new generation of young Christian leaders across Eurasia. Thank you for making these life-changing experiences possible and for believing in the future of these young leaders.



# Children's Ministries

## SUMMER CAMPS:

Mission Eurasia's summer Bible camps cultivate the next generation of Christian leaders. Through engaging programs, counselors connect with children, teaching Bible lessons and providing transformative church experiences. Our Summer of Hope camps offer a refuge for children amidst the challenges of war and suffering. Led by our Next Generation leaders, these camps impact the lives of thousands, sharing Jesus' love and distributing age-appropriate copies of Scripture.

- **Canadian donors sponsored 1,249 kids to attend camp.**



## GIFT OF HOPE:

During Christmas, our leaders collaborate with local churches to distribute Gift of Hope boxes filled with toys, candy, children's Bibles, and storybooks, creating a wonderful opportunity to share the Gospel with those in need.

- **Canadian partners supplied 869 gift boxes, presenting the message of hope during a meaningful season.**



## Gift of Hope: Nastia's First Christmas with Her Very Own Bible

Nastia is a sweet, artistic little girl whose life was torn apart when missiles destroyed her home and forced her family to flee. Now living as a displaced child, she fills pages with drawings of the farm, animals, and peace she longs to return to one day.

Last year, School Without Walls leaders visited Nastia with a Gift of Hope made possible by Canadian donors. As they shared the story of Christmas, her eyes lit up—especially when she received her very own children's Bible. That Bible has become a beacon in the darkness, reminding her that she is seen, loved, and held by God, even in war.

Because of your generosity, Nastia received far more than a present—she received hope, truth, and the assurance that she is not forgotten. Canadian support is helping children like her encounter Jesus, heal from trauma, and dare to believe in a future filled with promise.







## The Action Bible in Vinnytsia

In May 2025, nearly 100 children in Vinnytsia—many from low-income, displaced, or non-Christian families—experienced their very first encounter with Jesus through The Action Bible New Testament at an Easter mini-camp hosted by the Mennonite Heart of Christ Church.

After a day of games, Bible discussions, and activities, each child was given their own copy of The Action Bible New Testament—a gift made possible by the generosity of Canadian donors. For many, it was their very first Bible.

One boy, Maksym, said as he held his new Action Bible:

"Today is a very special day for me! I am holding a Bible for the first time. Today I had my first encounter with Jesus Christ... The stories come alive because it is written like a comic book—and I love comics. I want my introduction to Jesus to grow into a lifelong friendship."

Because Canadian believers invested in providing The Action Bible New Testament, children who had never heard about Jesus are now discovering Him in a way they can understand, enjoy, and return to again and again.



# Humanitarian Assistance (CARING HANDS) — Crisis Response and Recovery

Across Eurasia and Israel—especially in war-torn Ukraine—Canadian donors are on the front lines through Mission Eurasia's Caring Hands initiative.

Because of your generosity, we are:

- **Providing food, generators, and wood-burning stoves to help families survive brutal winters**
- **Serving hot, nutritious meals through Mobile Kitchens and Bread of Life Bakeries**
- **Offering essential care through Mobile Medical Clinics—body, mind, and soul**

A significant portion of this work is carried out by School Without Walls (SWW) students and graduates. These Next Generation leaders, trained through Canadian-supported programs, are organizing distributions, cooking meals, praying with families, and sharing the hope of Christ in bombed-out cities, refugee centers, and frontline villages. Humanitarian aid becomes frontline ministry in their hands.

Working with local churches in 14 countries, including among Russian-speakers in Israel, we meet urgent physical needs while pointing people to Jesus.



## YOUR IMPACT IN 2025:

**Two containers of donated food**, in partnership with **Ontario Christian Gleaners**, provided over 2 million meals of dried vegetable mix. **Canadian donors funded the shipping**, getting this life-sustaining food to places like Zaporizhzhia, where 70% face food insecurity, where many of the meals were prepared and distributed by SWW teams.

**Bread of Life Bakeries:** each bakery operates for about **\$25,000 CAD** (equipment, supplies, rent, training), providing fresh bread and a daily witness of Christ's love.

**Mobile Kitchens:** for just **\$10,000 CAD**, one kitchen can be deployed to feed up to 300 people per day in the hardest-hit areas—often staffed by SWW students serving on the front lines.

**Through your support of both Caring Hands and School Without Walls, Canadian donors aren't just sending aid—you are sending trained, compassionate Christian leaders to deliver it in Jesus' name.**



## Bridges of Hope — Unity in Israel

Launched in 2025, **Bridges of Hope** is showing what happens when the body of Christ stands together. With support from Canadian donors, **Jewish and Christian Arab congregations** are joining hands to serve families in need across Israel—offering food, encouragement, and the life-transforming hope of the gospel.

More than **58 congregations** are actively participating. The food boxes they deliver—funded by your generosity—are far more than groceries; they are symbols of hope and reconciliation, opening doors for relationships, prayer, and shared faith in a time of deep division.

Through Bridges of Hope, our Canadian partners are helping break down barriers and build a community rooted in Christ's love, compassion, and unity—right in the heart of Israel.



## Mobile Medical Clinics — Healing on the Front Lines (Caring Hands)

The war in Ukraine has deepened an already severe healthcare crisis, leaving countless people without basic medical care. As part of our **Caring Hands** initiative, Mission Eurasia's Mobile Medical Clinics bring critical help to those who would otherwise have no access to treatment.

Each clinic is a refurbished vehicle outfitted with:

- **An exam room**
- **Essential medicines and supplies**
- **A generator for reliable power**

With **two medical professionals** on board, each clinic can treat up to **50 patients a day**, offering immediate care and pathways for follow-up.

## Religious Freedom Initiative: Standing with the Persecuted

Across Eurasia, freedom is fragile and persecution is a daily reality for many Christian leaders. Mission Eurasia's **Religious Freedom Initiative** defends these brothers and sisters by raising global awareness, training local leaders, and mobilizing the church to act.

Through strategic conferences and events, we equip pastors and Christian leaders to respond wisely and courageously to pressure and persecution. Our reports—such as *Faith Under Fire* and **Faith Under Russian Terror**—document violations of religious freedom and amplify the voices of those suffering for Christ.

Thanks to the generous support of Canadian donors, this advocacy work is exposing injustice, strengthening persecuted believers, and helping to build resilient communities of faith that continue to shine the light of the gospel in some of the hardest places on earth.

- **You can find the report on our website**  
<https://missioneurasia.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/2025-Mission-Eurasia-report-on-Ukraine-ENG.pdf>



Mykhailo Brytsyn, Director of the Religious Freedom Initiative of Mission Eurasia





## Supporting Publications & Resources

Mission Eurasia is committed to placing Scripture into the hands of those who need it most—refugees, students, professionals, soldiers, and families who have never meaningfully encountered God’s Word. With the faithful support of Canadian donors, we translate, publish, and distribute Bibles and Christian literature in languages like Russian, Ukrainian, and Romanian, working alongside respected Bible translation partners.

Our National Authors Series highlights Christian books written by local leaders across Eurasia, strengthening the church and equipping pastors and lay leaders for ministry in their own context.

In 2025, with help from generous supporters, we distributed:

- **52,000 general Christian publications**
- **100,000 copies of The Action Bible**
- **40,000 Military Gospels of Mark** for Ukrainian soldiers— including specially prepared editions for **officers**, new **recruits** facing the stress of mobilization, and **women** serving in the military, each addressing their unique spiritual needs.

**These resources speak directly to people’s fears, questions, and daily struggles—offering comfort, courage, and the hope of Christ.**

### A MILESTONE OF HOPE: 900,000 ACTION BIBLE NEW TESTAMENTS

Since 2019, Mission Eurasia has successfully printed and distributed 900,000 copies of The Action Bible New Testament in Ukraine. Remarkably, 500,000 of these copies have been shared since Russia’s full-scale invasion in February 2022, reaching children, teens, and families who are on the front lines, in transit, and facing significant crises.

For many, the Action Bible New Testament serves as a first introduction to Jesus, presented in a format that is both accessible and engaging for young readers.

**Looking to the future, we are fervently praying and planning to print an additional 100,000 copies next year.**

Thanks to the generous support of our Canadian partners, these Scriptures are bringing comfort, courage, and living hope to hundreds of thousands in their darkest hours. As God’s Word continues to fulfill His promise—“it will not return... empty” (Isaiah 55:11)—we are now nearing a historic milestone:

**1,000,000 Action Bible New Testaments printed in Ukraine.**





## A Word for Those Who Bear Responsibility: How the Gospel of Mark Supports Ukrainian Officers

On the front lines, Chaplain Viktor, a Protestant pastor, serves with the Ukrainian Armed Forces. His ministry is often unseen—quiet conversations in officers' tents where life-and-death decisions are made and the weight of responsibility is heavy.

During one visit, he told a group of officers:

"You carry great responsibility. But there is One who carries us. That is Jesus. And this is His Word."

He handed each man a **military edition of the Gospel of Mark**—small, durable, and designed for soldiers. At first, they responded politely but without emotion. A week later, Major Ihor approached him and said:

"I have never read the Bible before. But this... It's brief and direct. Like an order. Without religious pomp. It spoke to me."

He was especially struck by Mark 10:45: *"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve..."*

"That's officer ethics, isn't it?" he said. "To serve, not to demand."

Since then, several officers have begun reading the Gospel regularly—before deployments, after staff meetings, and during night shifts.





## Conclusion and Thank You

Through every story in this report, one truth is clear: God is powerfully at work—and He is using Mission Eurasia partners and supporters across Canada to help change the spiritual landscape of Eurasia and Israel.

Your partnership with Mission Eurasia Canada is training and mobilizing young leaders, planting and strengthening churches, caring for the persecuted, feeding the hungry, and placing God's Word into thousands of waiting hands. Together, we are bringing hope, healing, and the gospel into some of the hardest and darkest places on earth.

Thank you for your compassion, your prayers, and your sacrificial generosity. As we look ahead, may we remain united in Christ and steadfast in our shared mission:

### FOR FURTHER ENGAGEMENT

Your partnership is essential to advancing the gospel and strengthening the church across Eurasia and Israel. Here are key ways you can continue to stand with us:

#### PRAY

- **Pray for the young leaders we train, the churches we serve, and those suffering from war and persecution. Your intercession sustains this work.**

#### DONATE

- **Your gifts directly fund leadership training, Scripture distribution, church planting, and humanitarian aid. Consider a one-time or monthly donation to Mission Eurasia Canada.**

#### HOST AN AWARENESS EVENT

- **Mobilize your church or community by hosting an event. We can provide resources and, where possible, a representative or video to share stories from the field.**

#### REQUEST A SPEAKER

- **Invite a Mission Eurasia Canada speaker to your church, small group, or missions event to share firsthand accounts of what God is doing.**

#### ENGAGE ON SOCIAL MEDIA

- **Follow, like, and share our updates to help more Canadians learn, pray, and give.**

#### STAY INFORMED

- **Sign up for our email updates or newsletter to receive current stories, prayer needs, and project highlights—and to see how your support is making a difference.**







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and explore opportunities for partnership:

**<https://missioneurasia.ca/>**

Together, we are creating ripples of change and hope across Eurasia, impacting lives today and  
for generations to come. Thank you for your trust, support, and commitment to this crucial work.  
With God's grace, we look forward to what He will accomplish through us in the year ahead.



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