

## Dear Mission Partners

In this Impact we would like to report on two Great Gospel Campaigns in Africa and on the Fire Conference in Austria. We went "full steam ahead" into 2012 and planned a large number of activities. Alongside various preaching invitations for Reinhard and Daniel all over the world and the upcoming Great Gospel Campaigns in Uganda.

CfaN was last in the two neighbouring West African countries of Liberia and Sierra Leone in 1998. The two countries have experienced genocide, civil war, poverty and unspeakable suffering in recent years. Every evangelist's heart beats faster at the prospect of taking the glorious message of salvation to the precious people in those poor countries. As the CfaN team arrived in Liberia, God gave Daniel Kolenda a special scripture from Luke 4:18-19:

The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor; he has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.

The people told us about amazing salvations and healings that took place in 1998. It is wonderful to hear that the fruit has lasted and that the impact can still be seen more than 10 years later. Yet it is just as wonderful to experience Jesus at work today in those two countries, which are among the poorest in the world. Read on to find out more!

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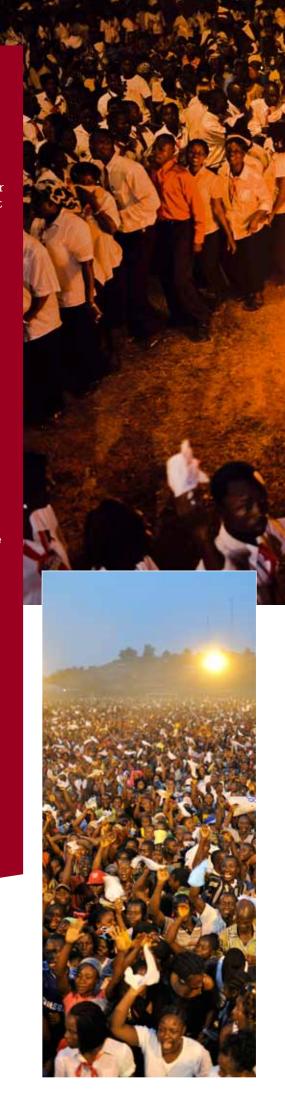
Daniel Kolenda and Reinhard Bonnke

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... PREACH GOOD NEWS TO THE POOR ...

**LUKE 4:18** 

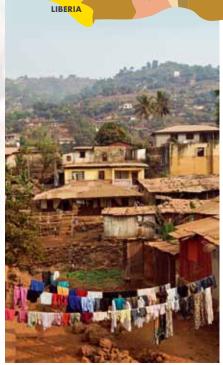






Ellen Johnson Sirleaf is the only female Head of State in Africa. It was a great honour for the Cfan team for the President to attend the campaign.





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# The most beautiful sound on earth

Liberia is not far from the equator and has a humid, warm, tropical climate. The country is not typical of Africa. The independent state was founded in 1847 as a resettlement project for former slaves from the USA.

In late February 2012 a significant watershed occurred in the history of that nation. During CfaN's five-day Great Gospel Campaign, precisely 540,400 people completed decision cards for Jesus Christ. What a mighty blessing for a nation with a population of only around 4 million. Every eighth Liberian citizen made a decision to give his or her life to Jesus.

The first highlight occurred on the second day of the Great Gospel Campaign in Monrovia. After the prayer of commitment, cries of joy were suddenly heard from the crowd. Miracles began to take place everywhere and crutches soon piled up on the platform. Blind eyes saw, deaf ears heard and crippled legs began to walk again.

At the start of the Fire Conference for pastors and church workers in the morning, a

Liberian pastor shared his testimony. He told us that he had attended the Fire Conference in 2009 in Otukpo (Nigeria) and it had revolutionised his life and ministry. He now holds outreach meetings all over the place, seeing conversions, miracles and even people raised from the dead! This is what CfaN's Fire Conferences are about. We believe that when the CfaN team leaves, thousands of others will pick up the baton of the gospel and run further with it to the glory of our Lord.

Even today, ancestor worship, belief in the power of amulets, incantation ceremonies, shamanism, masked dances, secret societies with occult rituals and so on still survive in many regions and at all levels of society in the countries of West Africa. We tackled that problem in the message given on the third day and many people surrendered amulets, fetishes, witchcraft tools, idols and juju objects to be burned. Daniel preached about the blood of Jesus and led thousands in the prayer of salvation. He then broke the curses in the mighty name of Jesus and prayed for the sick.



The fourth day made an even deeper impression. The Holy Spirit fell on the people present. Reinhard Bonnke preached a redhot gospel message about the "prison of sin" and even as he was preaching, shrieks rang out from demon-possessed people in the crowd who were being set free. When he gave the altar call, the response was overwhelming and as he led the multitudes in the prayer of salvation their voices sounded like thunder rolling across the field ... the most beautiful sound on earth!





The final meeting on the Sun day evening in Monrovia was attended by 260,000 people – nearly 30% of the entire population of that city! President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf was at the meeting, along with other top dignitaries and government officials. At the end of the meeting, Evangelist Bonnke prayed a prayer of blessing over the people, the leaders and the entire nation. It was a powerful moment.

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Luke 4:18-19



# The best cure

# ... for the human heart is the healing balm of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

It liberates the captives, heals the broken-hearted and

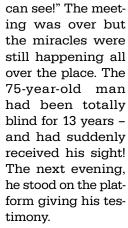
blesses the people.

# Crippled for more than 30 years

The very first healing testimony in Monrovia came from this man, who had been crippled for over 30 years. Before the campaign, he had a dream in which God spoke to him and told him to attend. He told us that during the prayer he physically felt something flow into his body – and his legs were totally healed. Full of enthusiasm, he marched around on the platform to demonstrate his healing – to the great delight of the crowd.



As we were leaving the crusade field in Monrovia on the third evening of the campaign, our car was stopped by a group of people who ran out in front of our car, shouting frantically. Daniel rolled down his window and asked what was happening. A young man shouted back, beside himself with excitement. He pointed to an old man in the middle of the group and shouted, "That old man was blind but now he

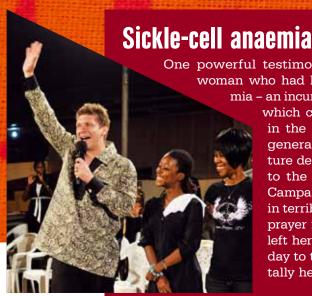




## Stomach tumour

This woman from Monrovia had had a huge tumour in her stomach and told us that it had gone completely.





One powerful testimony came from this woman who had had sickle-cell anaemia - an incurable, painful disease

> which causes abnormalities in the red blood cells and generally leads to premature death. When she came to the CfaN Great Gospel Campaign in 1998, she was in terrible pain but after the prayer for the sick the pain left her body and from that day to this she has been totally healed!



On the fourth evening in Freetown, a woman testified that she had come to the meeting crippled. Her right foot had been severely

broken twice and she could only hobble around painfully with a crutch. However, during the prayer for the sick, she said that if felt as if someone were unscrewing something from her foot. At first she thought one of the ushers was doing something to her foot but there was no one there. The unscrewing sensation continued until she suddenly realised that the pain had gone completely and that she could walk normally again.

## Sent by a witches' coven

Another moving testimony in Liberia came on the final evening from a self-proclaimed witch. She said that in the past she had killed 10 people, including two of her sisters, using spells and juju. A few days before, her coven had sent her to the campaign site to kill Daniel Kolenda. When she tried to place the curse on him. she found that, to her amazement, the protection around him was too powerful. Suddenly she fell to the ground and demons began to manifest. The ushers carried her out to the deliverance tent, where they cast out the demons. She repented, confessed her sin and received Jesus Christ as her Saviour!



# Several life-threatening illnesses

This woman gave a powerful testimony. After two years of terrible suffering, she was taken to the hospital, where they diagnosed several life-threatening illnesses, including malaria, typhoid fever, tuberculosis and HIV (AIDS). The doctors said that there was no hope for her and sent her home to die. On death's doorstep, she went along to the meeting in Freetown on the second evening of the campaign, knowing that it was her

last hope. During the prayer for the sick the power of God came over her, strength returned to her body and all her symptoms vanished. She made her way to the platform with tears streaming down her cheeks and thanked Jesus over and over again. Then she collapsed on the ground sobbing, "Thank you Jesus! Thank you Jesus!" For Daniel Kolenda, it was the purest worship that he had ever heard.



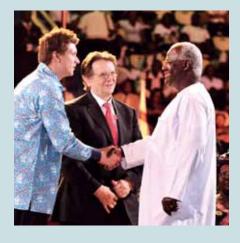
# He is risen indeed!

CfaN's Great Gospel Campaign in Sierra Leone took place at Easter in the national stadium in the capital city of Freetown. Around 6 million people live in the former British colony; more than 40% of them are under the age of 15. Life expectancy is under 45 years, placing the country among the five with the lowest life expectancy in the world.

Before the opening meeting on the Wednesday evening, there was an official meeting with Ernest Koroma, the President of Sierra Leone. He was given a warm invitation to the Great Gospel Campaign and attended the opening meeting with members of his family. Evangelist Reinhard Bonnke preached a crystal clear gospel message and when he gave the altar call, many thousands responded.

One man told Daniel his amazing story. He had "accidently" attended CfaN's first Great Gospel Campaign in Sierra Leone in 1991. He came from a





Muslim family but he had not been religious. In fact, he had been addicted to drugs and alcohol and had led a life of utter sexual self-indulgence. He had had no exposure to Christianity and had never heard the gos-

pel. However, as a football fan, he often went to the national stadium to watch his favourite team play. One evening he saw a huge crowd pouring into the stadium and felt something that he had never felt before. He had goose bumps all over. Suddenly he was totally sober. He heard Evangelist Reinhard Bonnke preach the gospel and surrendered his life to Christ. That was 21 years ago. Today he is a pastor and has already planted 10 churches in Sierra Leone.







JESUS FESTIVAL was the name of our Christ for all Nations Fire Conference in Linz on 31 March 2012. What a day! I believe that it will prove to have been a milestone for Austria.

More than 3,000 people gathered for that powerful day. The Reverend Siegfried Tomazsewski, the European Director of Christ for all Nations, started the day at 10.00 with an unambiguous call to check our personal relationship with Christ. Problems in that area often create stumbling blocks and can hinder the flow of the power of God in our lives. We really need to have established a proper connection with the Lord.

The presence of God could be sensed from the very first moment. Step by step, the message paved the way for what the Lord had prepared for us in the afternoon – a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Daniel Kolenda, Evangelist and President of Christ for all Nations, took up the theme and gave a powerful presentation of our need for the Holy Spirit. If we want to see revival and souls saved in our nations, we need to go back to the basics – the power of God in our daily lives.

The afternoon session was opened by the Steelcity Worshippers, who had already made an impression on the people in the morning. Before Evangelist Daniel Kolenda could begin to preach, there was an extended time of worship, during which the Holy Spirit was able to do his work and everyone basked in the presence of God. That created the perfect atmosphere for

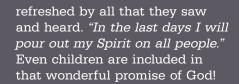
the deep insights into the word of God that Daniel then shared, one point at a time. The climax of the meeting was doubtless the special time of prayer and the laying-on of hands for all those who desired the Holy Spirit and the



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The Holy Spirit is also a healing Spirit, and where the Spirit is present, all things are possible. The word that had been preached was confirmed in the afternoon and again in the evening by glorious miracles from the hand of God.

Tobias von Stosch and his
"Hits for kids" ministered
to hundreds of children.
With songs, games and
a lot of love, the children
were taught about the
power of God and had the
gospel preached to them. They
also went home renewed and



The Steelcity Worshippers opened the evening service, too. As a special highlight, CfaN had invited the "singing flight attendant", singer and songwriter Déborah Rosenkranz. All were touched and blessed by her terrific voice and moving testimony.

Although it had not been planned at the outset, many had hoped that Evangelist Reinhard Bonnke would be able to attend the evening meeting. God has his own way of arranging schedules – and so he actually was there. You could have heard a pin drop as he preached a crystal clear message and then gave a call for salvation. Hundreds of people streamed forward. There were tears of repentance and joy as people stood and knelt to pray, thanking God for their new

Jesus saves
Jesus heals
Jesus delivers

life. What joy! The well-prepared counsellors took care of the people, helping them to take their first steps in their new life with Jesus. And – praise God – the Lord saves and heals, too.

After Evangelist Daniel Kolenda had prayed for the sick, moving testimonies of healing were given.

All this was made possible because 18 churches from the greater Linz area and 200 volunteer co-workers stood shoulder to shoulder with the CfaN team to reach Austria for Jesus. What is





possible in Africa is possible in Europe, too. Let us continue to preach the gospel and trust the Lord for a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit. It is the anointing that breaks the yoke and we need to break all bondages and oppression in our European nations. The fire of God will burn in every Christian again. Let us go boldly and bring in the Lord's harvest with joy and praise.

From Linz, Evangelists Bonnke and Kolenda and the team flew to Freetown, Sierra Leone, for the next Great Gospel Campaign in Africa. We trust the Lord to help us leap over the hurdles that are still ahead of us. We currently face financial challenges of the order of €800,000. However, we know from repeated experience that there is no other way but to pray, trust and obey. Please would you also pray and ask the Lord how you can help us to take the gospel to the nations.

Thank you for standing with us as together we bring in the fruit of the harvest and share in the joy of the Lord.

Siegfried Tomazsewski



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## GOD OPENED HIS TREASURE CHEST

Jesus told us an impressive parable. A merchant found one extremely fine pearl that was worth a phenomenal amount of money. He had spent years looking for a pearl like that. He sold everything he had to raise enough money to be able to buy that special pearl. The merchant in the parable is Jesus and the valuable pearl stands for us – you and me. We were worth the top price. Jesus paid EVERYTHING for us.

This parable is a picture of God opening and emptying the treasure chest of his love for us. We were no special offer, no bargain. We did not look very much like a valuable pearl, yet he gave everything for us.

He took us with all our worthless baggage, rottenness, debts, nastiness and wickedness. He drew us to himself ignoring everything in us that was foul and corrupt. Then, like a heavenly valet, he cleaned us up, dressed us in the robes of his righteousness, girdled us with immaculate grace and made us fit to enter the presence of the King in his beauty.

That effort left him soaked in his own sweat and blood on the trodden grass of Gethsemane. Then finally that awful hour of devilish agony, his broken body hanging like a rag nailed to a tree. He was nailed to the Cross for me and you.

The merchant gave everything he had for the pearl – Jesus gave everything for you.

What a Saviour!

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Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it.

Matthew 13:45-46



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