





CfaN's Campaign Director, John Darku, in his element during a planning meeting of the regional Bouaké committee.



The committee for Bouaké consisted of local bishops, pastors and church leaders.

Extraordinary Expectation and

Hunger for the Gospel



in the heart of Côte d'Ivoire, located in the Vallée du Bandama region. The nation has about 25 million inhabitants comprising about 60 different ethnic groups. French is the country's official language. But because of its great ethnic diversity, there is still a stark contrast between various groups' traditions and local languages. And the religious makeup of the country is just as diverse, with many involved in animism and ancient cults.

From the beginning we felt that CfaN's Great Gospel Campaign would change the region dramatically. Preparation had been going on for many months. Expectations were very high, and Christians in the region were full of excitement. The time finally arrived at the end of January 2016.

Already on the first night of the Campaign, Daniel Kolenda wrote via social media: "I am so amazed by the level of hunger and expectancy in this small place. As I preached, there was an overwhelming response from the people who were hanging on every word".

Great joy flooded the Campaign field that first night, as many healings occurred after

the preaching and prayer for the sick. The people's joy, jubilation and excitement escalated throughout the evening until they nearly drowned out the loudspeakers. The state governor, who addressed the crowd that opening night, was overwhelmed.

A Revival-Spark Was Lit!

On the last morning of our Fire Conference, Daniel Kolenda and Peter Vandenberg ministered to about **10,000 pastors and leaders from the region.** As usual, they prayed for them to receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. It was an intense and significant moment. In the words of Daniel: "A spark of revival has been lit here in Bouaké, Ivory Coast!"

Then at the meeting that evening, they prayed again for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. And as we have experienced many times before, demonic forces manifested and were immediately bound in Jesus' Name. At the same time many people brought their juju and witchcraft items to be burned in large barrels. This always inspires great joy among the people. As the joyful singing started, many also began to dance.

360 Degrees of God's Grace

The result of the previous days was clearly visible on Sunday. Local pastors reported that their churches were packed to overflowing that morning – so much so, some thought they would have to turn people away.

On the last night, again more than 210,000 people were packed onto the field.

After Daniel preached the Gospel and prayed for the sick, there was a moment of silence. Usually there is great excitement at this point. But instead everyone held their breath for a moment, wondering if anyone had been healed. Then suddenly something shifted. People began to shout, scream and dance. Some fell under the power of the Holy Spirit. It was total chaos. People started lifting crutches into the air that they no longer needed. Shouts of

joy could be heard right, left, in front and behind the stage – something amazing was happening everywhere, like a river encircling the platform. One could say: It was 360 degrees of God's grace!

The team also took time to pray for the requests sent from around the world. At the end of the final meeting, Daniel prayed specifically for the different needs of the region, which the local pastors had already written down. Finally he prayed a blessing over the nation and all those present on the field.





409,920

....people in Bouaké filled in decision cards documenting their decision to follow Jesus Christ. They received the free booklet, "Now That You are Saved," in their local language. It includes the "first steps" for new believers and connects them with the local follow-up system.

Bouaké

As most African cities south of the Sahara, Bouaké is a comparatively "young" city. The population averages just under 20 years of age. France declared Côte d'Ivoire a French colony in 1893. Then in 1898, French troops established a military camp close to the village of Gebekekro in the heart of the savannah. Under the name of Bouaké, this village was governed according to European standards. In 1904 the first post office was established, and a telegraph in 1907. Ever since then the town has grown rapidly.

France is the main trading partner. But about 60% of all cocoa imported into Germany originates in Côte d'Ivoire.

Even though the city of Bouaké is a regional conurbation, it has remained rural and "African" compared to the metropole of Abidjan at the coast. Fields of vegetables and rice, or large mango trees, grow right in the middle of the city.

Many regions of West Africa still have traditional tribal kings. The king of Bouaké attended our Campaign and followed the healing testimonies of his people with great interest.



estimonies



The very first testimony in Bouaké came from a man who was paralyzed for seven years. He said that his sister brought him to the meeting by taxi, and then he had to sit on the ground. As Daniel prayed for the sick, he said he lifted his hand and it began to shake. He did not understand what was happening to him, and he suddenly collapsed. Then he heard Daniel say: "Get up and walk!" He tried to move his leg and realized it felt very "light." He tried the other leg, and it also started to move. He stood to his feet and began to walk for the first time in seven years.

On the second night, a woman **born deaf and mute** could hear and speak for the first time. At first only her right ear opened. But then as Daniel prayed for her on the platform, her left ear opened in front of the whole crowd.



This young man, Boni, explains that he had been confused and aggressive for eight years: "When Daniel Kolenda prayed for the sick, I felt something leave my body - like a wind coming from my feet up to my head, cleaning my body. I realized I was free."

it used to feel like being

Another young man and this young lady came forward to confirm his testimony.

One2One Seminars

in Bulgaria

Preparing Believers for Harvest

In January 2016, the CfaN team held "One2One" seminars in three Bulgarian cities. Bret Sipek, the International Campaign Director, visited the city of Plovdiv with Stan Hart and Sliven and Stara Zagora. They trained more than 600 local believers in witnessing and sharing the Gospel. These seminars also helped prepare for the upcoming CfaN Campaign with Evangelist Daniel Kolenda in Plovdiv 15-16 April.

The seminars encourage believers to testify about their personal experiences with God. Not everyone is called to be an evangelist. But everyone does have a personal testimony to share with friends, neighbors and co-workers. Not everyone is an extrovert and speaks easily to people on the streets. But there are thousands of ways to share Christ with others. Even that piece of pie we give our neighbor with a smile may open his or her heart for a future talk about Jesus.

Rarely do we lead a person to Jesus in "one hit." Usually it takes several encounters on different occasions as a person gets closer and closer to God.



Well attended: One2One seminars in Plovdiv, Sliven and Stara Zagora.





DARRET MOTERIA

Young people in Bulgaria are eager to win their nation for Jesus.

No Christian "Ghettos"

Believers often live in a Christian "ghetto." All their Christian activities happen inside the Church; all their friends are believers. But we cannot shine a light for people who live outside our flow of life. We must intentionally look for people who need salvation. It may be as simple as calling your schoolmates to ask how they are doing. Or perhaps you can send an inspiring thought about the Lord by email or text to some of your relatives or neighbors.

The point is: there are many ways to connect with the people around you to build a bridge for the Gospel.





Bret Sipek, "International Campaign Director" for CfaN.

Seminar Contents of "One2One"

The seminars cover various topics based on Reinhard Bonnke's teaching manual, "School of Fire." These include various methods of evangelism, how to share personal testimonies and how to identify the proper "shape" of the Gospel to fit people at different places in life. Our speakers illustrate these points with many powerful testimonies.

The CfaN team strongly believes that evangelism occurs most effectively when local churches and evangelistic ministries work together to reach the lost. Our heart is to encourage and ignite local believers to pray for their loved ones, and to witness to them in a way that will prepare them to receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

Globally, the CfaN team has trained more than 40,000 believers in Brazil, China, Russia, Germany, Czech, Bulgaria and several other countries.

Bret Sipek International Campaign Director





Events 2016

Fire Conference

15 – 16 April 2016 Plovdiv, BULGARIA

School of Evangelism

17 – 20 May 2016 Orlando, USA

Fire Conference - Fire16

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Great Gospel Campaign and Fire Conference

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