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## The Luke 10 Challenge **by Pete Errington**

*"After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others, and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where He was about to go." Luke 10:1*

Are you 18-30 years old, or know someone who is, who might accept the Luke 10 Challenge to spend up to nine months working alongside a long-term missionary on the field? The Luke 10 Challenge was started several years ago as a bold, "outside of the box" way to place teams of two or three young people aged 18-30 alongside a missionary in an internship/mentoring type of setting.

Now in its fifth year, interns have served in Russia, Turkey, China, Nepal, Thailand, Afghanistan, Japan, Indonesia, Ukraine, India, and Cambodia. Here are some comments from a team in Turkey. "My teammate and I are developing a friendship with a young Turkish married couple. One day as we were on our way to church, we saw them outside and they asked if they could go with us! During the worship time at church, the man and woman leaned over to me and said, 'Wow! It feels good here!' I watched the woman, as she looked at all the worshippers. I can't describe to you the expression of longing that I saw on her face. God is moving!"

Luke 10 continues to place passionate young people in missions in a radical way. Kevin and Tom are serving in Thailand straight out of high school. They commented recently how there were no missionaries their age—everyone was at least 5 years older than they are. People have asked, "How did you get here?" But they recently saw 27



**After training, a group of Luke 10 interns are set to launch out to serve alongside long term missionaries.**

high school and college students come to Christ through their ministry with Athletes in Action.

Here's another glimpse of how God is molding Luke 10 interns for service in His Kingdom. After sharing about the time-consuming process of renewing his visa, riding public transportation and trying to get a repairman to fix the plumbing in his apartment, Steven remarked, "Just thinking of these recent circumstances, perhaps you can see why it sometimes feels like I'm accomplishing so little here in [a Muslim country]. Yet I am genuinely thankful to be here—to grow in the Lord, prepare for future service overseas, and to pray and minister Truth into this dark city. I know there's nothing insignificant about any of that!" Of the first 39 participants to complete a Luke 10 internship, five are already back on the field long-term and several others are actively pursuing steps to return.

In closing, we recently had the privilege of living out another part of Luke 10. In November, all nine interns who attended training in 2004 and went to the nations,

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# MISSION INSIGHTS

## End of the Spear: An Amazing Story Births An Amazing Movie

The following was adapted from an article on the website of the Willow Creek Church near Chicago. The entire article can be found at [www.willowcreek.com/wcanews](http://www.willowcreek.com/wcanews)

On a hot Amazon morning in January 1956, five young missionaries set out to make peaceful contact with one of the world's most notoriously violent tribes. Instead, they entered the world of Christian martyrdom and established a classic Christian testimony that has survived for five decades and inspired over 1000 individuals to sense God's call to ministry, including Chuck Swindoll, Pat Robertson, Nancy DeMoss, and the late Dr. Bill Bright. Today, the story is being brought to life on the big screen in *End of the Spear*, being released in theaters on January 20, 2006.

Many Christians are familiar with the story that made international headlines in 1956 when the five missionaries were violently speared to death by the Waodani Indians, then known as the "Aucas." The story has been documented in many books over the years, the most popular of which was Elisabeth Elliot's *Through Gates of Splendor*. What many people don't know is the rest of the story—and the tribe's perspective—which is told in *End of the Spear*.

Shortly after the spearings, Nate Saint's sister, Rachel Saint, and Elisabeth Elliot, the widow of slain missionary Jim Elliot, moved into the jungle to live among the tribe and share the gospel with them. God used these women to share His Word with the tribe, teach them a peaceful way of life, and ultimately reduce their homicide rate from 60 percent to nearly zero.

Steve Saint, who was five at the time of the spearings, has limited memories



of his father, Nate, who served as the pilot for the missionaries. Though he clearly remembers his mother telling him his hero was never coming home again, there was no single moment of forgiveness for the Saint family.

"I never had to forgive the Waodani for my father's death," Saint said. "It never occurred to me that I should forgive them for doing something they clearly didn't know was wrong. Spearings had been their way of life for so long; they didn't know there was a better way to live. Ironically, the fact that my father was speared to death gave me a common bond with nearly everyone in the Waodani tribe."

Steve grew up knowing the men who had killed his father and came to love them as family, to be baptized by their hands and, most importantly, to be embraced as a Waodani son.

"As my father's oldest son, I would be responsible for avenging his death in the Waodani way of life," Saint said. "For my own protection, Aunt Rachel warned me to never ask for specifics. While I knew some of the men I lived among were responsible for my dad's death, it was not something I ever gave much consideration. I blended into the Waodani way of life and came to deeply love the Waodani people. It was easy to understand why my aunt chose to stay among them for her entire life."

After growing up in Ecuador and spending a great deal of time in the jungle with the Waodani, Steve moved to the United States to attend college. He became a successful businessman and settled down with his wife to raise four children,

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Something to think about:

**"He is no fool who gives up what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose."**  
Jim Elliott



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returned to Seattle for three days of debriefing, sharing experiences and reflecting on God's faithfulness. Just like the disciples in Luke 10:17, they returned with joy over what the Lord had done in and around them.

Applications are now being accepted for our 2006 program. Plan now to be at the starting line in Seattle in August. For more information about Luke 10 please check out our website [www.mup.org/luke10.htm](http://www.mup.org/luke10.htm) or call Pete Errington at (888) 895-4657. ●

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## OPENINGS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Call 888-847-6950 if interested in any of these openings and opportunities with Mission to Unreached Peoples.

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although he still visited the Waodani frequently over the years. Steve's Aunt Rachel died in 1994, after nearly 40 years of living with the tribe. Steve returned to the jungles of Ecuador to attend her funeral. After Rachel's burial, the tribe presented Steve with an unexpected request: the Waodani wanted him and his family to take Rachel's place in their tribe.

After much prayer, the Saint family made a giant leap of faith and accepted the offer. Steve moved with his wife and four children into the depths of the Amazon jungle. During this time, his children grew especially close to an aging Waodani warrior named Mincaye. Today, they call him *maemae*, which means grandfather in Wao Tedido. Mincaye had taken Steve in as his own "son" years before, so his affection for Steve's children came naturally.

Most people who hear this story are amazed to learn that Mincaye is also one of the Waodani warriors who years before participated in the spearing raid that killed Steve's father. He personally speared Nate Saint to death that day in 1956. Today,

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Steve Saint

Mincaye is a leader of the Waodani church.

"We acted badly, badly, until they brought us God's carvings," Mincaye said. "Then, seeing His carvings (the Bible) and following His good trail, now we live happily and in peace."

With the release of *End of the Spear* in theaters nationwide in January—the 50th anniversary of the spearings—Christians and church leaders will have the opportunity to use this story to reach out to others. The film combines drama and adventure on par with any other Hollywood film with a Christian message of forgiveness and reconciliation—without force feeding it to people—that is sure to appeal to a broad range of movie goers, Christians, and non-Christians alike. Some have compared it to *Chariots of Fire* for its truth-based, inspiring story. Others view it as a film to take their neighbor or friend to. Everyone should be encouraged to go to their local theater in January to support this powerful film. More information about the film is available online at [www.endofthespear.com](http://www.endofthespear.com). ●

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future development as well.

In addition to your prayers, can I ask for your help in another area? Can you keep your eyes open for some property or facilities in a good location and at a good or reduced price? Access to either a regional or an international airport is one of

the critical factors. And perhaps you can start praying about a financial contribution to a capital-fund-raising effort that we'll be promoting in the near future—all in our efforts to most efficiently serve the needs of our missionary members around the world and to be part of reaching those who have never heard—the unreached peoples of the world. ●

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## Director's View

by David Hupp, US Director



### Planning for a Permanent US Office



As with any growing organization, there are always new challenges and opportunities. Mission to Unreached Peoples is now actively

pursuing structural changes that will move us closer to the reality of an international organization. We are excited about the future and what the Lord is doing through MUP.

One of the challenges before us is a new US office facility. Mission to Unreached Peoples last moved its office 7 years ago—and that was in the same building. We've grown several fold since then and the US Board and leadership feel it is time

that we seek a permanent facility.

Moving the office is a huge undertaking, whatever the nature of the move! There are numerous staff and logistical issues to consider in addition to the financial implications. In our situation, with our growing missionary staff scattered in 22 countries around the world and with a prayer and donor constituency scattered throughout North America, we're being challenged to look at all options as we attempt to peak into the future.

MUP began in 1982 with a Seattle area identity and location, and since that time we've been in at least six different rented facilities. We have strong ties to the Seattle and Puget Sound area, and would love to remain here. But we

are also increasingly aware that the cost of living and housing in Seattle, and many other metropolitan areas, make it increasingly difficult to find and attract the home office staff we need. As many other mission organizations have done, we feel a need to look at various geographic alternatives as we seek a home that should serve us for decades into the future.

So, where will that be? We don't yet know. And that's where your help is needed. We need the entire Missions to Unreached Peoples family to join us in focused prayer for

this important step before us. While we are open to various types of facilities, one possibility is a search for a parcel of land that would have (or where we could build) a home office facility and provide options for

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