

Langham Preaching

Equipping a new generation of Bible teachers

Romania

The European Union's newest member, Romania is keen to shake off its tarnished image as a country struggling economically and socially in the wake of communist rule. The population of 22 million has a nominal attachment to the influential Orthodox Church, but approximately 6.3% of the population is evangelical.

Romanian evangelicals are amongst the most vibrant in Europe. The churches have grown significantly in recent years, with effective evangelistic programmes and often strong engagement with their local communities. Nevertheless, many local churches are without a trained pastor. Several Romanians have been Langham Scholars, developing their theological training whilst retaining their commitment to helping local churches. They have called upon Langham Preaching to work with them in the launch of a new initiative to equip pastors, church planters, evangelists and lay preachers.

Langham Preaching will run the first training event for Romania in September 2009. The multi-denominational local organizing committee is busy identifying pastors for this first level seminar. It is hoped that a small delegation of Armenians will also attend, to see if similar training could help in their context. There are already several good books on preaching available in Romanian, and the plan will be to provide some literature for the participants as a way of complementing and supporting the training. There will also be a special encouragement to everyone to establish local preachers clubs as a way of ensuring continuity of support and training.

But this is just the start. The development of the Langham Preaching movement is described in the panel to the right, with a three-level programme that is designed to sustain training over several years. We would welcome your prayerful support as we partner with the churches in Romania.

Date: September 9-12, 2009
Participants: 100+ pastors/lay preachers
Facilitator: Mark Meynell
Total Cost: US\$ 7,000



Langham Partnership International has been established in response to the request for partnerships within the global church to support preachers and teachers.

Langham does so through its three

programmes of Literature, Scholars and Preaching. It is founded on a basic conviction: that God wants his church to grow up, that God's church grows through God's Word, and that God's Word comes to us mostly through effective preaching.

Langham Preaching works with national leaders to establish a movement for Biblical preaching through seminars, local preachers clubs, regional networks, and grass-roots training initiatives. First, there is a week-long seminar. From there, everyone is encouraged to join a local preachers club. There follows a level 2 and then a level 3 seminar. Next, a small team is selected who join a further level – the training of local facilitators. These local trainers run small events in their area. In this way there is a cascade effect, as practical training reaches preachers in towns and villages across each country.

During 2009, some 40 country programmes will be underway in many parts of Africa, Latin America, Asia, the Pacific, the Caribbean, Europe and Eurasia. We provide a range of materials which you are welcome to receive, including regular Newsletters, short prayer bulletins, and ways to sponsor a pastor to attend one of the country programmes. Response forms from your local LPI member are available with this brochure.

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