

Seeds of Faith

2016 Annual Report



FOUNDED BY JOHN STOTT

Langham
PARTNERSHIP

OUR VISION

Our vision is to see churches in the Majority World equipped for mission and growing to maturity in Christ through the ministry of pastors and leaders who believe, teach and live by the Word of God.

OUR MISSION

To strengthen the ministry of the Word of God through:

1. nurturing national movements for biblical preaching (Langham Preaching),
2. fostering the creation and distribution of evangelical literature (Langham Literature), and
3. enhancing evangelical theological education (Langham Scholars), especially in countries where churches are under resourced.

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About Langham

Langham Partnership is a global fellowship working in pursuit of the vision God entrusted to its founder, John Stott: to raise up a new generation of biblical leaders for growth with depth in the global church.

How We Work

Through three distinct but integrated ministries—Langham Preaching, Langham Literature and Langham Scholars—we are training and resourcing the next generation of pastors and leaders who will multiply the impact of God’s Word in 130+ nations.



Langham Preaching trains pastors to preach the word of God. We partner with national leaders to nurture indigenous biblical preaching movements all around the world, equipping pastors and lay preachers to teach the Bible with faithfulness to the text, relevance to their own context, and with clarity and boldness.

Langham Literature provides majority world pastors, scholars and seminary libraries with evangelical books and electronic resources. We also foster the creation of culturally relevant books by indigenous writers and publishers in their own languages, and invest in major regional literature projects.



Langham Scholars trains pastors and ministry leaders.

We identify men and women who are academically able and recommended by their churches as emerging leaders, and enable them to gain a Ph.D. in Biblical and theological studies. These scholars then return to their home countries to teach and train future pastors in seminaries, start salt and light ministries, and serve their nations for Christ.



"I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building."

1 Corinthians 3: 6-9

Dear friend of Langham,

"You can count the number of seeds in an apple, but you can't count the number of apples in a seed."

You've probably heard it before in other contexts, but it's such a wonderful picture of multiplication. It's particularly meaningful in the context of the recently launched *Slavic Bible Commentary*—one of several landmark commentaries, indigenously written and produced, made possible with Langham's support, and yours! This commentary is a seed scattered by the Holy Spirit across the Slavic nations and now in the hands of pastors, Bible students and believers hungry to understand God's Word. We trust that God will use it to bring forth much fruit, though we can't yet count the number of apples, of transformed lives, inside this book.

Inside these pages, you'll read about this and other "seed stories." In northern Cambodia, a Langham-trained pastor is now training others for ministry in a primarily Buddhist region. In Indonesia, home to the largest concentration of Muslims in the world, a newly-graduated Langham Scholar with a God-shaped vision for her nation begins her ministry. Through these Langham-equipped leaders, God is sowing the seeds of His Word into some of the hardest soil.

May you be encouraged at the fruit that comes by His grace and through your hands (and prayers), which support this ministry. We are grateful.



Partnering in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ben". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Benjamin K. Homan
President, Langham Partnership USA

Langham Preaching

Nurturing indigenous biblical preaching movements for pastors and lay leaders around the world with practical, biblically based training seminars and ongoing support

Staying in the Message

Pastor Bo leads a growing church in a remote province of Cambodia near the Thai border, where Buddhism is the primary religion and very few evangelical pastors have the training they need to teach God's Word.

Before he received training from Langham on how to study and clearly preach from the Scriptures, he says, "My preaching was not so clear, and sometimes not so faithful. . . Langham helped me to stay in the message . . . Three words I have in my mind when I

preach: clarity, faithfulness and relevance."



Former Buddhist, Chhay, is growing through God's Word, faithfully preached

And God's Word faithfully preached is making a difference in the lives of Bo's congregation members. Chhay is a former Buddhist now attending Bo's church. Speaking in Khmer through a translator, she told us that as a Buddhist, "We would

ask for help from Buddha, and no help came. They told us to depend on ourselves, and they feel that God cannot help. When I came to the Christian church, I started to believe. God replied to my prayer and God helped me have hope."

Today, in addition to sharing hope in Christ with his church, pastor Bo is sharing all that he has learned with other pastors in his community. At least once a month, he travels more than 100 miles among local villages to lead seven preaching clubs—groups of pastors who meet together to study the Bible together



Langham-trained pastor Bo

and practice sermons.

"I started these preaching clubs because when a pastor doesn't preach clearly, church members can't correct him," he says. "But when a preacher and a preacher sit together, listen to each other and correct each other, they can improve more."

Thousands of pastors like Bo are trained each year through Langham Preaching. They attend training seminars and receive ongoing mentoring through Langham's preaching clubs. And their influence and learning extends throughout their networks as they train and encourage others. As pastors learn to teach the Bible with authority and relevancy, God's Word bears fruit that grows and multiplies, bringing transformation to individuals, families and communities. We are grateful for your support that makes this growth possible!

Langham Preaching at a Glance

228 pastor training events held in **59** countries, with indigenous trainers already trained by Langham holding many more • **10,200+** pastors and lay leaders equipped to teach God's Word • **500+** preaching clubs of **10 to 12** local leaders meeting regularly for ongoing training

Langham Literature

Supporting indigenous theological writing and publishing so that pastors and leaders have access to books in their own language and context as they serve the unique needs of their communities

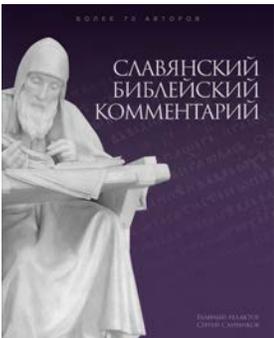
Slavic Bible Commentary Launches!

What does it mean to follow Christ in a post-communist context? What does God's Word say about issues like citizenship and identity? Questions like these beg for non-customary, unhurried answers. It matters that church leaders know how to present the unchanging truths of the Gospel in a way that carefully considers the cultural context of a community.

In this framework, the *Slavic Bible Commentary* (SBC), the first-ever commentary written in the indigenous language and perspectives of Slavic evangelical scholars, was born.

“There is a need for qualified leaders to prevail in this context,” says Dr. Peter Penner, one of the commentary's editors. “Literature is especially needed, and the *Slavic Bible Commentary* will provide people across 11 time zones with God's Word for their lives.”

Noting that the commentary has already brought unity among denominational leaders in the Slavic region, project manager Taras Dyatlik comments, “So the investment of Langham was not just into a book or a commentary, but also into strengthening the relationships between evangelicals from the countries that are in a state of hybrid war.”



Russian contributor and Langham Scholar Konstantin



The *Slavic Bible Commentary* opens God's Word in the right language and context for Slavic nations.

Nazarov believes that SBC “will lead to many new books being written here.” Already, he envisions writing for the 90 percent of Russians who do not go to church, “but who are asking deep questions,” as well as for “preachers with many unchurched people in their audiences.”

It's a vast mission field, and church leaders in Eastern Europe have their work cut out for them. Thankfully, they can count on the *Slavic Bible Commentary* to help them preach the Bible with integrity and to apply God's truth to contemporary reality.

Thank you for your faithful partnership and support of Langham. Many hands brought the *Slavic Bible Commentary* to fruition, and your fingerprints are on this historic book, as well! We are grateful.

Langham Literature at a Glance

- Supplied **14,064** biblical books to **592** seminary libraries across **77** countries
- Distributed **22,876+** books to pastors, students and ministry partners needing study materials
- Supported **12** indigenous publishers, printing **26** local language titles

Langham Scholars

Funding scholarships and shepherding emerging theological leaders through Ph.D. programs, preparing them for a lifetime of multiplicative ministry as they go on to train others and shape nations

Training One, Impacting Many

In 2016, Langham celebrated the graduation of 13 emerging theological leaders from their Ph.D. programs. They now join a fellowship of 300+ Langham Scholars around the world who are starting and leading seminaries, starting salt and light ministries, and serving as leaders in their nations. Dwi Handayani is one of these new graduates.

The crest mounted on the stone wall outside Bandung Theological Seminary reads “Sola Scriptura.” Not too notable for a seminary. But in Indonesia—where a movement of biblical preaching is gaining momentum smack dab in the middle of the largest Muslim population in the world—it’s a meaningful declaration.



Langham Scholar Dwi Handayani



Dwi helps multiply leaders like pastor Daniel

Inside, Langham Scholar Dwi Handayani is working to teach her students—Indonesia’s future pastors and leaders—how to both proclaim God’s Word and connect it to the world outside of the seminary walls. Dwi also serves as

Langham’s Preaching training coordinator for Indonesia, and she uses the same simple curriculum Langham uses to train pastors around the world with her seminary students.

She shares, “Before, some know how to dig into the Bible, but they don’t know how to deliver it well . . . Langham’s training method is clear and transferrable,

so by giving them this kind of training, it’s helped them. And the churches we send them to, they say that we produce good preachers.”

Across town in an impoverished neighborhood, pastor Daniel share’s God’s Word at his church after several levels of pastor training with Dwi. In the five years since the formation of the church, he has seen the congregation grow from 6 to 120 members.

Daniel says, “My congregation says that now they know what is the purpose of their lives. It is to serve God,” he shares. “They have a new vision.”

Langham is dedicated to multiplying biblical leaders like Dwi with a God-shaped vision in Indonesia and throughout the global church. Thank you for being co-laborers in this mission with us.

Langham Scholars at a Glance

Celebrated the graduation of **13** Ph.D. students who now join a fellowship of **300+** Langham Scholars with **40%** launching new ministries and **82%** training students who start ministries and churches, and teach in Bible colleges • Supported **73** current Ph.D. students from **35** countries

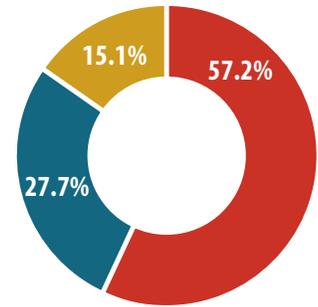
Fiscal Year 2016 Financials

July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016

Langham Partnership is comprised of six national partners (Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, New Zealand, United Kingdom & Ireland, and the USA), each separately incorporated in its own nation, with its own Board of Directors. There is full global transparency amongst all six national partners in the organization, where each member has access to financial spreadsheets and financial reporting of the other partners. And, though we have separate financial spreadsheets and reporting, we have developed a consolidated financial expression that gives us a better and fuller picture. Part of that fuller picture includes Langham USA helping with the fundraising and public communication aspects for other members. Thus, the numbers shown in the LPUSA budget reflect the costs, but not the income, of helping our national partners. While the financials for each national member are audited, the consolidation of those into the global budget is not.

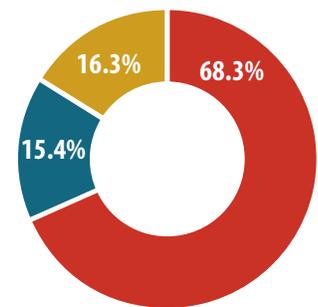
The income and expense reported in this annual report are based on cash accounting whereas accrual accounting methods were used to report income in our audited statement and tax return; hence some differences may exist in comparison.

Global Funding by Partners



- Langham USA
- Langham UK & Ireland
- Other (Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, New Zealand)

Global Stewardship



- Global Ministry \$4,450,272
- Administration \$1,006,843
- Fundraising \$1,061,617

INCOME	USA	GLOBAL
Individuals	\$ 2,301,164	↓
Churches	\$ 101,671	
Foundations	\$ 909,002	
Investment & Other Income	\$ 15,476	
Subtotal	\$ 3,327,313	
SPECIAL FUNDING		
Donor-designated Restricted Funds	\$ 204,475	521,082
Endowment	\$ 40,000	40,000
Board-designated Restricted Funds	\$	115,649
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 3,571,788	6,518,732
PROGRAM EXPENSES		
Langham Scholars	\$ 548,248	1,078,385
Langham Literature	\$ 470,175	1,237,780
Langham Preaching	\$ 243,907	887,348
International Ministry Support	\$ 1,015,475	1,246,759
OTHER EXPENSES		
Fundraising	\$ 946,762	1,061,617
Administrative	\$ 324,425	1,006,843
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 3,548,992	6,518,732

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(total years served as of 2016 shown in parentheses)

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Meet Our International Leadership



Christopher J. H. Wright, International Ministries Director, was appointed by John Stott in 2001. He is a respected theologian and ordained pastor in the Church of England. Along with traveling and speaking as our global ambassador, he develops resources used in pastor training and strengthens global theological education by helping develop curriculum and improve standards. An award-winning author of 19 books, including *The Mission of God: Unlocking the Bible's Grand Narrative*, he is a pastor to pastors around the world.



Mark Hunt, Executive Director, provides international executive leadership to the senior team of ministry directors and national executives, and facilitates the integration and effective operation of all Langham's work around the world. Prior to coming to Langham, Mark spent nearly 30 years as a publishing executive with Zondervan, during which time he also served as a Langham USA board member and for several years as Chair of the Langham Partnership International Council.

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