

Berlinprojekt

Young Church in the City.



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"Berlinprojekt" is a church planting project with the aim of starting a new church in the city center of Berlin for people between 20 and 35 years of age who do not go to church.



Our vision is to reach the "emerging generation" - the big crowd of young professionals, students and young artists of Berlin by planting a gospel-centered and relevant church.





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Martin Luther's reformation changed the world starting in Germany. But today Germany is an extremely secular country. Especially in Berlin, the nations biggest city, the church has almost disappeared. Today only about 1% of Berliners are Christians in the biblical sense.



At the same time Berlin is one of the most influential urban centers of Europe: A leading art center, a major power center and a magnet for the "emerging generation", people between 20-35 years old.



There are few, if any, churches reaching out to this demographic in the center of Berlin. Our generation of students, artists and young professionals is developing without the Gospel. This situation is unbearable!



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Konstantin and Christian

The Berlinprojekt is in partnership with the Redeemer Church Planting Center.

It is led by two young German pastors: Christian Nowatzky and Konstantin von Abendroth.

Both...

- are in their mid twenties
- studied Theology at a seminary in Germany
- were trained for church planting in the Redeemer Network

Christian works for the Redeemer Church Planting Center in New York City. Konstantin is currently doing a pastoral internship in Toronto.



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Over the last months Christian and Konstantin gathered a team of 12 people in Berlin who are committed to start the church. They are students, young professionals and artists who live and work in Berlin – just as our target group.



Besides Redeemer there is a fairly reformed German church nearby Frankfurt that has agreed to serve as the mother church for the Berlinprojekt in Germany. Besides that the Berlinprojekt was accepted as an official church planting project by the Evangelical Free Churches in Germany – a denomination that has much experience in church planting in Germany and also welcomes churches that follow the reformed tradition.





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In the pictures to the left you see two of our non-Christian friends: Alex and Grete. They are great examples of our target group:

Alex is 26. He studied design and has been working for different design and advertisement companies for the last 2 years.

Grete is also in her mid-twenties, She is in medical school and will become a doctor.



Both were not born in Berlin. Both are single, love the city, know all about new places, clubs and restaurants and are interested in music and the arts.

But both have never seen people of their age that are interesting and "cool", and at the same time believe in Jesus Christ. Both never met someone who explained the Gospel in a clear and relevant way. This troubles us a lot. And with God's help we want to change it!



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Please help us to reach out to our generation in Berlin. In order to plant the Berlinprojekt-Church we need strong partner churches that also support us financially.

Our budget for the first year is \$145,000. It contains the salaries for Christian and Konstantin, initial purchases of equipment, ongoing expenses, rental costs for our first meeting space etc. While a third of this amount will be covered by German sources we have to raise \$97,000 here in the U.S.

We kindly ask you to prayerfully consider becoming one of our key supporters in order to make the Berlinprojekt possible.

Further information you can find on our web site www.berlinprojekt.org and in the attached budget file.

Thank you very much!