

CALEB & LAURA COOK

DESTINO

“No eye has seen, no ear has heard,
and no mind has imagined what
God has prepared for those who
love him.”

1 Corinthians 2:9

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Imagine if you could be in seven places at once

all around the globe—had the opportunity to be in seven cultures, speak seven languages, engage with seven entirely different groups of people. Imagine being able to go to Central Asia, Russia, Slovenia, the Middle East, Costa Rica, North Africa, and Brazil.

That is one way to describe what the Lord gave us the opportunity to do as we spent this first month in the new year training and equipping Cru staff who are being sent to the world.

On January 5th and 6th, over 100 staff from around the country gathered in Dallas to be trained in leading and operating a Summer Mission this summer. Laura was able to attend this conference to help train staff in the finance and budget process. She specifically worked together with the eight Destino staff who will be leading Summer Missions to Brazil, North Africa, and Vail, CO. They are praying that each of these Summer Missions will draw at least 10 to 20 students to spend four to ten weeks of the summer sharing the gospel and learning ministry skills that they can bring back to campus with them in the fall.

Soon after Laura returned, Caleb left for Daytona Beach, FL to spend two weeks coaching and training new staff in Bible Study Methods. This course covers the entire process of Bible study, from interpretive principles, through skills and tools, all the way to communicating the text to others in a Christ-centered way. This was Caleb's second opportunity to do this, and this time around, his group was full of staff who will be moving overseas, learning new languages and cultures, and investing in a new community to share Christ with people all over the world.

Our ministry in January has been all about mobilizing leaders to go all over the world to share Christ with others. We could never go to all these countries by ourselves, or invest in so many places at one time. But by helping send these men and women to connect others to Christ, who knows what kind of influence they could have in these countries.

Thank you for your partnership in what God is doing all over the world. We are so thankful for you.

With love in Christ,

Caleb + Laura



Prayer Requests:

Praise God for the Destino staff willing to take on the logistical role in finance for each of the three Summer Missions.

Pray for Laura as her responsibilities in finance pick up during the spring semester to prepare the teams for summer missions.

Pray that God will facilitate smooth transitions for staff who will be moving overseas.

Pray for Caleb as his two classes at Dallas Theological Seminary have starting and will pick up quite a bit in February.

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