

His Name Among All Nations

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"And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." (Luke 24:47)

From 2010-2016, our church in Indianapolis (Burge Terrace) hosted the 3G Youth Conference, standing for God's *glory, gospel, and grace*. Each year we themed the youth conference on one of the "G's" as we sought to make much of Christ. Our second conference (2011) was about God's gospel.

In the summer of 2011, God gave me and Bryn an amazing opportunity to take some of our church teens on a mission trip to Budapest, Hungary. I fell in love with Budapest. During one service, our missionary preached a clear and compelling gospel message from 1 John 5:13. Due to the large number of Americans in the tiny room, he preached in English for our sakes, but then had a 20-year-old engineering student from the University in Budapest translate the sermon in Hungarian for the other half of the crowd. I was mesmerized by hearing the same gospel preached in two different languages! Though I've been in many bilingual services, a chord was struck in my heart that summer evening. After the sermon, we gathered in small groups to pray. Once again, some of us prayed in English and others in Hungarian. We spent so many hours that trip with our brothers and sisters in Christ! Hungary needs the gospel!

It was soon after our trip to Budapest that I crafted the lyrics for "His Name Among All Nations." That phrase comes from Luke 24:47 as Jesus was commissioning His disciples (and us!) to take His name to every nation. I wrote the final verse before the other verses. Nearly every time I sing that verse, I see in my mind's eye that little library room on the second floor of the old Budapest building on the banks of the Danube River where I knelt with my Hungarian brothers to pray to our same Jesus. One day, we will all sing the same song with the same tongue, "Thank you Jesus for the cross!"