

DRIME Leadership Summits

One of the ministries of Power to Change that I've gotten to interact with more directly recently is DRIME. DRIME exists to help people discover Jesus through choreographed street drama. Their teams will show up at busy downtown street corners or beaches, perform dramas, and have volunteers talk to people in the crowd that gathers. The dramas show Jesus as the "man in white", while other people in the drama (dressed in black) illustrate the ways we walk our own way. Visually seeing how Jesus continues to pursue us, even when we reject him, can be a powerful picture and great conversation starter. Here's a story from a DRIME volunteer that illustrates what this looks like:

As soon as I sat down on the curb with Tommy, he began to share how great it was that people were out on the street bringing a story to life. He had just gotten out of an abusive relationship, was on the edge of becoming homeless and was discouraged by how he had been treating his father who was just diagnosed with dementia.

He asked me, "Should I be the person I was a week ago, filled with financial empowerment and carelessness? Or should I be this guy you see today, filled with hopelessness?"



It was so apparent that Tommy was searching for something greater. I asked him if he wanted to be someone completely different. Someone who felt loved, encouraged, inspired and transformed. He laughed at the idea for a while and then began to ask more questions about who the man in white was.



Tommy was overcome by the idea that he could be transformed by a man named Jesus and decided to surrender his life. He decided that night to commit his life to Jesus.

Last month, 63 DRIME leaders from 12 countries gathered at

regional summits in Canada, Paraguay, and Togo. They came together to receive training, connect with other leaders, and plan for the future. Although I usually play a behind-the-scenes IT support role for ministries like DRIME, I also had the privilege of leading worship for one of the sessions at the regional summit in Canada. It was so neat to sing praises to our great God with ministry volunteers from Hong Kong, Thailand, and Canada!

"The session 'Leaders in the Image of Christ' really impacted me. I want our team to regularly and individually reflect on the question: 'How is our leadership Christ-like?' I want to see our team full of servant leaders."
- Dwuana, Togo; 2 years in leadership

"The Summit inspired me a lot on sharing the Gospel. I hope to share the vision more passionately to our members, so that we can share the Gospel on the streets with passionate hearts."
- Carey, Hong Kong; 4 years in leadership



Journey to Malawi

Our family is deep into the process of preparing for our move to Malawi! Here's a quick summary in case you've missed it: God has been leading our family to serve in cross-cultural missions in a less resourced part of the world, and so we are preparing to go work at a mission hospital called Partners in Hope. It's based in Lilongwe, the capital city of Malawi, and shows Christ's love to the Malawian people as they seek to provide equitable health care for everyone. To read more, please check out some of the pages on our new website—thebrinks.ca.

With this transition already well underway, we are now straddling two missions organizations—Power to Change, which I've now worked with for 15 years, and SIM, who helped start Partners in Hope and will be the ones guiding us in moving to Malawi. We love both of these organizations which are doing amazing kingdom work around the world! However, with this new season God is calling our family into, SIM will be better equipped to partner with us as they have lots of experience with medical missions (something P2C doesn't really do), and in sending families overseas.

Here's a rough timeline of how we expect the transition to look, Lord willing:

- May—Jason continues working with P2C
- June—4 weeks of training with SIM in Ontario
- July and part of August—Jason works part-time with P2C to wrap up final projects and finish transition
- Late August/Early September—fly to Malawi!

We are already starting to send out email newsletters about our SIM mission preparation—if you would like to receive those, go to thebrinks.ca and click the red "[Subscribe](#)" button.



Partners in Hope in Malawi

Donations Transition

For people who are currently supporting us monthly at Power to Change, thank you!! Would you consider switching your donation to SIM **by the end of June**? You can do this by starting a new recurring donation with SIM at thebrinks.ca/give, and then canceling your Power to Change donation by emailing give@p2c.com.



Bubble tea with the kids!

Family Update

Our first year of homeschooling with the boys is now drawing to a close. It has been a challenging adjustment, and a large amount of work for Shannon, but the boys have been doing pretty well with it. It's so fun seeing both boys take strides forward in their reading ability! They have also been playing ball hockey in a league for the first time this year, and have been loving that. Fiona started attending preschool this spring and loves her teacher (our pastor's wife!), as well as any opportunity for crafts. Naomi is now fully 2, with all that goes with it. Her independent, adventurous spirit continues to keep us on our toes!

We are so thankful for how God has been sustaining our family during this season of change. We are excited, but can also be fearful at times, and God has proven Himself faithful over and over again. We are also so grateful for you—thanks for partnering with us!!

*Jason, Shannon, Silas, Toby,
Fiona, and Naomi*