



"A team from my home church in the Washington, D.C., area will be joining me in Ukraine in April to offer computer outreach training and God's love. I'm so excited to have these new tools to better equip the team to be effective servants of our Lord Jesus."

Sue - eDOT missionary in Germany

Connecting in Prayer

- Praise God with us that a strong interest is developing in online discipling in the Arabic-speaking world.
- Ask God to give us clear direction in our eDOT strategic planning meetings Feb. 4-10.
- Twelve ministry partners will be meeting in Germany Feb. 11-20 to review courses and determine future plans. Pray that God will give unity and wisdom.

God is building His church through technology.

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"Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ."

Ephesians 4:12 (NLT)

Training for Short-Term Teams

The resurgence of short-term missions in the last several years has resulted in an increased awareness by many Christians in North America of the desperate needs of a lost world and of opportunities outside of their comfort zone to help the church worldwide. With that resurgence comes a responsibility for those in full-time missions to offer North Americans a viable experience that promotes not only their own growth but also enables them to make a contribution to God's kingdom.

Since its inception, eDOT has worked with individual volunteers and church teams to help build the church in Europe through technology. Our desire to make short-term teams effective led to the recent development of a Web site to be used to prepare teams for service. While creating the Web site took a considerable amount of time and effort, it will save time and effort in the future by providing videos, sample fund-raising letters, answers to FAQs, team manuals, and information on a number of relevant topics including the passport application process. On the Web site (www.eDOTTeams.com) one can also find information about cultural training which, when selected, will lead to another eDOT Web site, www.EquipHisPeople.com. Created in the Moodle platform used to host our distance-learning courses, this site is being developed to offer cultural training for short-term missionaries. Team participants are given a login to this site, so they can participate in an online community with other team members in preparation for their trip.



Good preparation results in effective ministry.

A team coming from the Washington, D.C., area in April will be the first to experiment with using these sites for preparation and training. While offering basic computer training to unbelievers and believers alike at an eLearning Center in Kiev, the team members will also be sharing their testimonies and building relationships with the nationals in the class. We trust that using these new sites will enable

them to be better equipped to serve effectively.

As in nearly everything we do, building these Web sites has involved a team effort. The course designers, organizational planners, technology gurus, and team facilitators have put their skills together to produce these sites to make outreaches more effective. Now we're looking for the people God would send to use these tools to sow the seed and reap the harvest. Do you know someone ready to use these tools? How about you? Check out www.eDOTTeams.com and see!

