

Parable of the Easter Egg Hunt...

At Easter, when my children were young, we celebrated the death and resurrection of our Lord. One of the ways we celebrated this was by coloring eggs. Some eggs we colored blood red in memory of Christ shedding His blood, others we colored brightly in hope of the resurrection of Christ. We then played a game our daughters just loved. They would wait inside while we hid



the eggs all over the yard. Then, after all of the eggs were hidden, each of the girls ran outside with a little basket in their hands and began hunting the eggs. They would then discover the eggs with squeals of delight, each found egg was a special treasure and triumph. After all of the eggs were found, the girls would beg and plead with us, “Mommy, Daddy, again, again!” There was something they simply loved about hunting and discovering the things we had hidden.

How does this relate to starting new ministries? In the previous sections, we saw that our Father is always working preparing hearts and resources for movements. In a sense He has hidden these in and around the universities where we are seeking to develop new movements. Much like in finding ministry partners who pray and support our ministry, our role is to get out there and network, discover, uncover, evangelize, envision, and mobilize the resources He has already put into place! God is inviting us to go and join Him to discover Key Volunteers and the resources needed to see movements built. And just as our girls found great joy in finding the hidden eggs, there is great joy in discovering what our Father has hidden: willing hearts and the works that He is preparing as we join Him and have fellowship with Him in His mission.