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SLOVENIA '16 SUPPORT/TRAINING

WHAT A PRIVILEGE IT WAS FOR ME TO BE INVITED TO HELP OUT AT THE 2016 CEEMED REGIONAL BIENNIAL CONFERENCE. THIS IS A CONFERENCE THAT THE ASSOCIATION OF BAPTISTS FOR WORLD EVANGELISM HOLDS IN THE CENTRAL/EASTERN PART OF EUROPE TO ENCOURAGE AND TRAIN ITS MISSIONARIES. I WAS ASKED TO HELP WITH ALL THE CONFERENCE TECHNOLOGY NEEDS, AS WELL AS TO PROVIDE TECH SUPPORT FOR THE MISSIONARIES AS NEEDED.

I WAS ABLE TO FIX AND REPAIR SEVERAL LAPTOPS, AS WELL AS PROVIDE SEVERAL UPGRADES IN HARD DRIVES. I RAN THE PROJECTION FOR ALL NINE SESSIONS, AS WELL AS COORDINATED THE PRESENTATIONS ALL THE MISSIONARIES GAVE. PLUS, WITH THE HELP OF OUR NEW MEVO CAMERA, I WAS ABLE TO RECORD SEVERAL WORKSHOPS, AS WELL AS THE MAIN SESSIONS, FOR THE MISSIONARIES TO ACCESS AFTER THE CONFERENCE. THE NEED FOR A TECH GUY WAS OBVIOUS, AND I AM GLAD THAT I WAS ABLE TO FILL THIS NEED. HOWEVER, I WAS GIVEN SHORT NOTICE ABOUT THE CONFERENCE AND WAS UNABLE TO RAISE FUNDS FOR IT.

So TechMin covered the $1,400 expenses for airfare and hotel. It was a joy to have Joshua Huang with me as well. He came to photograph the conference and take family portraits for the missionaries. He is a true servant and gave up his time and money to help in this. You can see Josh’s photos on our Facebookhere. There are some kind words from the conference director:

“Thanks so much for your tireless efforts in helping to make our regional conference in Slovenia a success. Your willingness to assist in so many aspects was certainly of great value to me as the conference coordinator, but more importantly you were a vital resource to our team mates. From the workshop you presented on the various aspects of technology, to overseeing the video/projection during our group sessions and more, you served us well and we look forward to the next time!”

I discovered the Mevo live switching / live stream camera in January 2016 when its manufacturer introduced it and offered it at half price. I took advantage of this preorder offer. It arrived in the mail two days before we left for the Olympic ministry trip. I was able to play with it a little on the way to Rio and was able to record two of the evening sessions before it was stolen from the hotel. I was able to introduce the Mevo camera to several team members before it was stolen; but, with much disappointment, I was unable to actually do a live test of the device. After returning from Rio, one of the team members purchased a Mevo camera, realized he didn’t need it, and shipped it to me. In his words, “You will use this much more than I will.” Praise God for providing this tool for us to use and share. It was valuable on my trip to Slovenia.

The Mevo is a 4k camera that connects to an iOS device to be able to “switch” from sections in the viewing area. This simulates a live switch mixer with multiple cameras, enabling the user to live stream directly from the camera to Facebook or LiveStream.com. While in Slovenia, I was able to stream on Facebook an entire evening service and had 10 viewers. I also recorded several workshops and main sessions for the missionaries to access after the conference. The Mevo app is extremely easy to use and has the ability to transfer right to an i phone i f o m the camera. Plus, a bonus is the ability to input from a sound board directly into the i Phone to have quality sound input, which I have not yet been able to test.