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- Apply for an IJM UK Communications Internship.

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SEEK JUSTICE

AN UPDATE FROM PHILIP LANGFORD, IJM DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS, AFRICA

On a dark night three years ago, violent car thieves abducted a young father named Duncan from the Nairobi housing complex where he worked as a security guard. They stole a car, forced him to ride with them to the other side of town and dumped him there, asking, "Do you want us to shoot you?" A terrified Duncan reported the abduction and theft to the local police.

But the police ignored the crime committed against Duncan. Instead, they arrested him for the theft without conducting even a basic investigation. They knew there was no reason to suspect him – but with Duncan in jail, they could report that an arrest had been made, and move on.

IMPUNITY

Duncan was thrown in a Nairobi prison. When his trial began, the prosecutor had no incentive to try the case, and Duncan's family – poor to begin with, and desperate after the incarceration of the main breadwinner – could not afford a lawyer.

Duncan's nightmare stretched on. He was shuttled between prison and court for meaningless hearings at which the police were not once asked to produce evidence. He could not provide for his wife or their three hungry children, who were forced to quit school for their survival. He endured day



Duncan celebrates his release with IJM Kenya lawyer Ronald Rogo

after day, simply trying not to rot, body, mind and spirit, in the dark, crowded prison.

AN ADVOCATE

Over and over in Kenya, we have seen police arrest, charge and jail decent citizens without a fair trial or any reasonable basis. Why? So that they can show that a crime in their jurisdiction has been solved. The arrest is made; the box is ticked; and the police forget about the man they have jailed because no one will care about the outcome of the case, if it is ever tried.

But someone cared about Duncan's case. Five months after he was thrown in prison, an IJM staff member shared about justice at a local church. There, a member of the congregation shared what she knew about Duncan's story – and IJM lawyer Ronald Rogo took on the case.

After 10 months of fighting for Duncan's freedom, IJM finally secured his day in court and made his case. The Magistrate promptly acquitted him, stating that there was absolutely no evidence to link him to the car theft. Duncan left the courtroom frail but exuberant. He was free.

IMPUNITY OVERCOME

Since joining IJM's Africa team, I have been deeply troubled by the impunity enjoyed by the government that imprisoned Duncan. Candidly, I began to wonder if accountability was even possible in cases like this, where corrupt police are protected by the justice system they are failing to serve.

But Ronald Rogo didn't give up on Duncan. He pursued the only legal recourse available: a civil claim against the government.



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The team didn't know how the claim would be received by the court – Duncan's civil case was only the second such IJM-assisted claim to reach judgment in Kenya.

This November, in a judgment announced in open court, Duncan was awarded more than \$3,500 in damages – for an impoverished family like his, this sum is equivalent to nearly five years' wages. Duncan may be several legal battles away from collecting, but I believe this judgment reflects a very hopeful statement for the future of Kenya's public justice system: Those who abuse their power – police included – will have to give answer for what they have taken.

IJM Kenya's aftercare team has also been working to restore some measure of the peace stolen from Duncan's family during his incarceration. His family life has been restored, and his children have returned to school.

We will continue to stand with Duncan and others like him. Thank you for your support – which makes this story of freedom, and so many more, possible.

THE JUSTICE BRIEFING

News and information for friends of International Justice Mission UK

SEEK JUSTICE

SPRING 2010

IN GUATEMALA, UNIQUE GROUP OFFERS HOPE, HEALING AND UNDERSTANDING

GUATEMALA CITY – First step. First word. Favourite food. All these important milestones in the life of an infant have been carefully recorded in baby books by the members of a mother's group in Guatemala City.

But this is no ordinary mother's group. Made up of IJM Guatemala clients between the ages of 13 and 18 who became mothers as the result of abuse, this special group was formed in 2008 to meet the critical needs of these clients, who are not only healing from the abuse they have suffered, but learning how to care for children as well. This group's bi-weekly meetings are a safe place for clients to talk about their struggles and to learn how to care for their babies.



Baby books created by participants in the Young Mother's Group.

"The girls are teenagers who all of a sudden become mums," explains Joanna French, an IJM social worker and the leader of the young mums group. "They don't have experience in parenting – they're still children themselves and all of a sudden they're having to parent without any practical skills or experience."

The Guatemala office works to bring relief to victims of sexual violence and ensure that perpetrators are held accountable for their actions in Guatemalan court. Alongside their investigative and legal colleagues, the aftercare team seeks unique ways, like this young mother's group, to

provide meaningful support as the clients the office serves overcome abuse.

The team helped the group members create baby books not only as a way to document milestones in the life of their children, but to open up conversation about their babies and experiences in a safe and comfortable way.

"Because of the circumstances in which the children were born – poverty and abuse – their mums are so focused on day-to-day challenges that they don't have the time to celebrate the development of their child. We wanted to provide a space in which the girls could take the time to celebrate their child, and to tell the stories that come from having a child and being a mother," explains Joanna.

The mothers put a lot of creativity into the baby books, some even adding their own ideas for pages to include. Almost none of the mothers had pictures of their children, so adding photos the IJM staff have helped them obtain to the books became an exciting and special way to document their children's early lives.

When the mothers show others their books, they do it with pride. One young mother and her family keep her daughter's book locked up so that nothing can happen to it.

"The baby book was a way to demonstrate to my son how much I care for him," said one of the group members. "It's also like a dictionary of baby things – I can show him his first drawing and tell him when his first step was."

The group will continue to add more focus to the development of the mothers themselves. The participants will



A participant in the Young Mother's Group shares the baby book she created

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take workshops on healthy living, budgeting, self esteem and setting goals, among other topics. But perhaps the most important element of the group is the supportive relationships it fosters.

Though IJM Guatemala works to help them return to school, pregnancy and caring for their newborns have required the majority of the clients to undertake prolonged absences. The lack of social interaction can be particularly challenging. But in the group, the girls have found a supportive community of others who know what they are going through.

Joanna recounts the arrival to the group of a new client – the mother of a three-month old – who had recently been relieved of prolonged abuse. At one point during the session, she began to cry. The other girls quickly surrounded her, offering words of encouragement and comfort, telling her that they understood what she was going through and they are here to help her. "It's been really good to see the growth and change in the girls, and to witness how it's been a small part of their healing" shares Joanna.

IJM FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT INSPIRES THOUSANDS IN LONDON



IJM President and CEO Gary Haugen

On 24th January, Gary Haugen spoke at Holy Trinity Brompton with St Paul's Onslow Square, the major UK church at which the Alpha course began. Drawing upon his personal experiences, Gary explained why the violent reality of injustice can be responded to with action instead of paralysing despair. Haugen described tangible solutions to issues of oppression, and encouraged listeners to take the lead in confronting injustice with courage.

FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO PRAY

- Thank God for the hope that is given through justice and aftercare to young women who are confronted with motherhood following the trauma of rape.
- Pray for the healing of South Asian slaves recently rescued from five years of violent bondage in a rock quarry; pray also that these freed slaves would receive the official release certificates to which they are entitled.
- Pray for Brits who are new international interns: James, Adrian and Henry as they adapt to the challenges. Also, praise God for Eileen Kim as she enriches the IJM UK team with added passion and professionalism.

* In order to protect the individuals IJM serves and those who carry out the work, faces of certain victims and IJM investigators have been blurred. To further conceal the identities of victims and safeguard ongoing IJM casework, pseudonyms have been used though the accounts are real. Actual names and casework documentation are on file with IJM.

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YOUNG PROFESSIONALS DEPLOYED GLOBALLY



JAMES RUPASINHA:
COMMUNICATIONS
INTERN, *IJM RWANDA*

This year, UK graduate James Rupasinha is supporting the work of IJM in Rwanda. IJM's Rwandan staff fight for justice for child victims of sexual violence and protect widows and orphans vulnerable to the illegal seizure of their property. He joins the office as their first communications intern, helping to train staff, assisting project planning and documenting the stories of those who otherwise have no voice. Having graduated in 2008, James worked for one year coordinating the youth and children's work in his north London church, IGC. When not working, James enjoys sampling new sports, fostering Anglo-American rivalry and helping plan an annual

China outreach. James is immensely blessed to daily witness the shining of God's light into spiritual darkness and thanks everyone for their support and prayers.



ADRIAN FORSTER:
LEGAL FELLOW,
IJM KOLKATA

Adrian recently graduated from University College, Oxford, and has now deployed to IJM's Kolkata office as their sole British representative. Adrian learned about IJM's unique work to protect the oppressed and was immediately attracted to the innovative, holistic approach. He quickly applied for a place as an IJM legal fellow. He heard of IJM's vital and unique work to protect the oppressed late last year, and quickly applied for a place. He is currently settling into the Kolkata office, which carries out counter-trafficking casework and he is hoping for a productive year with IJM in India. Adrian's home church is St Joseph's, Gerrards Cross.



EILEEN KIM: BUSINESS
OPERATIONS INTERN,
IJM UK

Eileen, an English Literature graduate from University of California, Los Angeles, discovered what it truly means to live out the gospel in the midst of personal and external brokenness while serving in places like Mexico, China, and Kyrgyzstan. Originally hoping to pursue screenwriting, news about the Darfur genocide was enough to redirect Eileen's life-course toward law. While preparing for law school, Eileen has been on a two-year journey of discovering God's relentless pursuit for her as well as the poor while interning with the Wage Justice Center, a legal NGO that advocates on behalf of exploited workers, and Aid Still Required, an

NGO that seeks to revitalize neglected areas like New Orleans, Indonesia, and Darfur. She has since found her source of spiritual home and community at Rock Harbor Church in Costa Mesa, California. Before matriculating into law school this autumn, she will be fighting to restore justice and dignity for the voiceless as IJM UK's business operations intern.



HENRY GUMBEL:
HUMAN RIGHTS
INTERN, *IJM HQ,
WASHINGTON DC*

Henry has been wanting to be involved in IJM's work of protecting the oppressed since 2004. At that time he was studying for the bar in London when a friend told him to read 'Good News About Injustice' by IJM President Gary Haugen. Excited by the philosophy and action he discovered, he started filling in the application form for an internship. In the meantime, Henry made a surprising career change - from the laws of England and Wales to the laws of economics working for a hedge fund. When Henry's sister became involved in an aftercare project in India, he started searching his desk for that partially completed form. Then, an opportunity to spend some time in D.C. enabled Henry to leave his job in finance, and hand-deliver a slightly aged form in October 2009. Henry started the internship in January 2010, working in the communications department. He is specifically developing a project on a Rule of Law class to be taught at the prestigious University of Chicago. Henry's home church is Holy Trinity Brompton.

The summit at Snowdon



TEAM FROM ST JOHN'S WIMBOURNE TAKE ON WELSH 3000's AND RAISE £1000+

"We attempted the Welsh 3000's on what turned out to be the worst weekend we could have chosen. We did however manage to spend the night on the summit of Snowdon," reports Paul Stanfield of St John's. Indeed, the team completed a good number of peaks despite extreme wind speeds - and the amount of money raised was a tribute to their "huge feat of human endurance." Thank you for battling adversity in support of IJM!

SPLAT RAISE £500+ FOR IJM

The youth group of Holy Trinity Knaphill, Surrey - aka SPLAT - led a service focused on IJM's advocacy for the violently oppressed. In response, the congregation gave over £500 to help IJM in the battle for justice. Thank you SPLATers!

SIX TRAFFICKING VICTIMS RESCUED IN PHILIPPINES OPERATION



Undercover footage from another recent IJM Manila operation

MANILA, THE PHILIPPINES - It was a busy Saturday night when officers from the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) and investigators from IJM Manila entered a bustling village in Laoag City, population center about 480 kilometers north of IJM's Manila field office. The team made their way up and down the bar-lined streets, the hour nearing midnight as they arrived at their final destination - a disco bar, serving as a front for prostitution.

IJM had begun its investigation on the case just days before, after receiving a desperate plea for help from a couple on behalf of their teenage daughter.

Their daughter had been lured to Laoag City with an offer of work in a canteen, but she was instead entrapped by traffickers at the bar. The family was familiar to IJM staff - their daughter had already been served by IJM's Manila team. Having witnessed firsthand IJM Manila's dedication to their clients, her parents once again trusted the staff to bring their daughter to safety.

Arriving at the bar, the IJM team and local authorities prepared to bring rescue to this girl, and several other trafficking victims they expected to find with her. The signal was given, the operation moved forward - and on December 12th 2009, six trafficking victims were rescued from the bar, while three bar employees were placed under arrest for their roles in the crimes.

"We lost no time in mobilizing our team," explained IJM Manila Director Mia Andal-Castro. "I knew that the [bar's location] was way beyond our target area. However, it was very clear to me that we needed to get to where this young girl was and do everything within our power to rescue her. Having been

a client of ours in our sexual abuse programme, it was heartbreaking to know that she had fallen prey to the deceitful means of traffickers in her community."

The State Prosecutor will now press formal charges against those arrested for violations of anti-trafficking laws and the prostitution of minors. IJM lawyers will embark on the challenging road of processing the case and assisting with the prosecution of the accused perpetrators despite their physical distance from the crime scene.

The girl for whom the operation was conducted has been reunited with her parents and is undergoing counselling at an aftercare home with the help of her IJM social worker. The other rescued minors remain in Laoag in the safety and care of an aftercare home in that area.

From December 2009 to January 2010, the investigations of IJM's two field offices in the Philippines (Manila and Cebu) resulted in the successful arrest of 17 suspected perpetrators of human trafficking and the rescue of 36 victims of trafficking.

LATEST NEWS: PROJECT SEEK JUSTICE BANGALORE

Through the swift generosity of supporters from the UK we have reached the initial target of £50,000 towards the casework of IJM Bangalore in releasing people from slavery. Terry Tennens, Executive Director of IJM UK remarked, "we are deeply moved and thankful for the sacrificial giving of individuals, churches and groups. Since the task to release men, women and children from slavery is so great we are increasing our target goal for Bangalore up to £75,000 for 2010. Please continue to partner with us in releasing slaves through IJM Bangalore."

The need is great and the evil of slavery prevalent, IJM

Bangalore's Field Office Director James Ewins has been engaged in training Public Prosecutors in witness handling with colleagues in Mumbai. This is part of their initiative to promote rule of law and greater efficiency within the public justice system, IJM hosted an all-day professional development workshop for Public Prosecutors in Mumbai on Saturday 12th December 2009. Ten public prosecutors attended the seminar, conducted by IJM Bangalore Field Office director James Ewins, an English barrister with 13 years of litigation experience. The two-tiered training focused on building a witness' story in chief examination and dismantling an



The Public Prosecutors training day in Mumbai (centre: James Ewins)

opponent's witness testimony through cross-examination.

The challenging role of Public Prosecutors is critical within the criminal justice system in India. In Mumbai, these advocates tackle cases ranging from petty theft to murder - and are also on the front line in the fight against forced labour and human trafficking. In the courtroom, they establish the

guilt of traffickers, pimps and abusive brothel owners, helping to bring forth just conviction and sentencing.

James Ewins was also pleased with the day's accomplishments: "This was a great opportunity to support and empower Public Prosecutors, without whom the perpetrators of the heinous crimes we uncover would go unpunished."

SUMMER CONFERENCE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Dear Friends,

This summer IJM UK will once again be hitting the conference circuit. We are attending exhibitions at Keswick Convention in Cumbria, the Greenbelt festival in Cheltenham, and to weeks one and two of New Wine at Shepton Mallet. We expect to engage hundreds with the good news about injustice at these conferences.



IJM staff member Oliver Wright and intern Charlie Ager at Greenbelt.

As ever, we can only do this with the help of faithful volunteers. It may be that you discovered IJM when attending a festival or conference and can therefore testify to the impact of us being there, and also the fun of attending! Indeed, we want to invite you to consider volunteering at one of these conferences if you feel that sharing our mission with others is a way in which you could support us. We are assembling volunteer teams now, so please do contact us to discuss being a part of one at contact@ijmuk.org or 0845 094 3109.

Of course, volunteering your time and passion is about more than just agreeing to help, it's about taking the initiative to act in whatever way you can. Mirroring Gary Haugen's encouragement to take the lead in the fight for justice, I would like to highlight the fact that our volunteers are called to both represent us and also consider how they can champion IJM's work within their own communities, churches, networks and spheres of influence. Whether you feel drawn to volunteer or not, you can still make a difference where you are.

It is so good to have you with us in this journey toward God's justice for the world - thank you for partnering with us.

Yours joyfully,



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