



## ATHENS PARTNERSHIP WEEKEND

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Athens, Greece, is known for its 2,500 years of history. It is the place where the Apostle Paul followed his missionary call. A land of beautiful beaches, the Acropolis, philosophy, great food and hospitality.

### BUT WHAT IS HAPPENING THERE SPIRITUALLY?

Athens, Greece, is seeing God move again! In a city where the Apostle Paul preached the reality of the “unknown god” to its leaders, the known God is being reintroduced in all of His reality! In a city that had been dominated by an Islamic conqueror for 400 years, hundreds, if not thousands, of Muslims are coming to faith! In a city that has seen two church planting movements in the last 100 years, only to see those dying out, we are seeing a renewal of church planting that has not happened in decades.

Through the midst of economic and refugee crises, we see God moving and the church standing up in a new way, reaching out to its city of 5,000,000 souls.

### BUT THE EVANGELICAL CHURCH IN ATHENS, ABOUT 0.2% OF THE POPULATION, NEEDS HELP.

We have been praying the Lord’s prayer of Luke 10:2 each morning at 10:02 a.m for the past seven years and now see God and the world-wide church responding.

Athens is in many ways unique and yet common in the world. It is a center of great need, great diversity and great opportunity. GEM is partnering with ministries of church planting, Biblical education, evangelism/discipleship, anti-trafficking, refugee ministries & integration, Business as mission, camping & youth ministries and much more. Our vision is to cooperate and come alongside the work of God and encourage and support these ministries so that they will overflow to all of Greece, the Balkan region and then the world.

## TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

### Wednesday, October 30, 2019

- 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. — optional tour of Corinth
- 7:00 p.m. — dinner & introduction to Athens, its needs & opportunities and the participating ministries
- 8:30 p.m. — mid-week worship service at new church plant - Urban Chapel

### Thursday, October 31, 2019

- 9:30 a.m. — seminar: Partnering with National Ministries
- 11:00 a.m. — coffee break
- 12:30 p.m. — on-site visits
- 2:00 p.m. — lunch
- 4:30 p.m. — prayer walking tours of Athens ending on Mars Hill
- 6:00 p.m. — informal time with ministry leaders
- 8:00 p.m. — dinner // two Greek pastors share their vision and testimony

### Friday, November 1, 2019

- Morning/Afternoon — worship at local church plants & lunch with them
- 3:00 p.m. — Urban Chapel session: Is Athens really a cross cultural missions experience?
- 5:00 p.m. — informal coffee time with ministry leaders
- 7:00 p.m. — prayer time for Athens and the visiting churches

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