



Globalnews



stories and updates from Scripture Union around the world

Global News aims to keep you in touch with how our network of Scripture Union teams around the world is having an impact on young lives. We hope this monthly update will inspire you to partner with us.

Husky dog inspiration

How a new Husky dog camp is having an impact in Moscow



Children have been enjoying time at **Scripture Union Moscow's** new Husky Dog camp called 'The Huskies' Kennel'. Inspired by a sheep shearing camp run by Scripture Union in New South Wales, Australia, they invited children to live and work alongside the dogs. This gave them an opportunity to learn from their passionate Husky dog trainers.

A volunteer leader with SU Moscow, Maria said, "The Huskies' kennel is an amazing place! The camp was full of life and the Husky owners shared their great passion with us. I think it's because they love what they are doing, and they think it's very important for the children to live with the dogs.

"One of the topics we discussed with our children was how to connect with people - how to break down walls that prevent communication and how to turn to the Lord for help. Caring for and helping train the dogs was a common task that brought everyone together. It warmed my heart to see how connections were made and barriers removed, because this was something I had been reflecting on myself."

About Russia



Russia is the biggest country in the world - bordering 14 countries - it has 11 time zones! Its population is around 142 million. About 20% of Russians are Russian-Orthodox, with 15% Muslim and just 2% professing other Christian faiths. Many Russians are non-believers. Approximately 15% of the population is under 15. The Russian Federation was created in December 1991 after the break-up of the Soviet Union. Scripture Union staff and volunteers work in a challenging political and social context as they reach out to children and young people through a variety of ministries.

Songs of encouragement



Guardians of Ancora is a digital game-app for six to 11-year-olds that has been created by **Scripture Union England and Wales**. It is available in a range of languages and now young gamers also have the opportunity to enjoy Ancora songs and videos on their **Facebook** and **Youtube** pages. This musical video is all about not being afraid and is based on the story of Jesus and Jairus.

You can partner with us

If you would like to know more about how to partner with us or find out about Scripture Union in a particular country or area, you can discover more **HERE**:

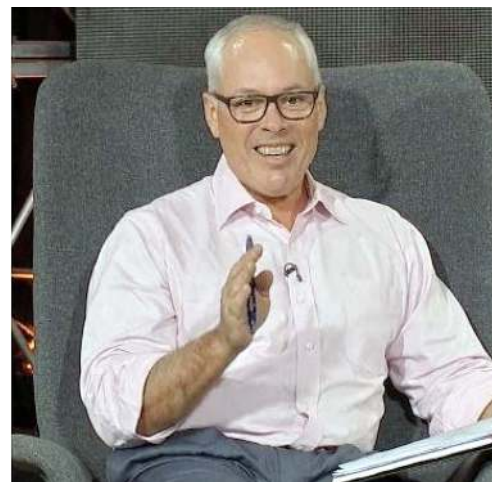
Sparking discussion in Sri Lankan schools



Discussions were sparked among pupils when a member of **Scripture Union Sri Lanka's** staff shared a motivational thought at St Mary's School, Kollupitiya. Christian students and those of other faiths enjoyed lively discussions and some shared personal challenges they were experiencing in their own lives. The School principal was delighted with the outcome!

Scripture Union Australia is born

Scripture Union movements across Australia have voted to join forces under the banner of **Scripture Union Australia** this month. The new entity will include Scripture Union movements including, **ACT, Queensland, Victoria, Tasmania, Northern Territory, South Australia and Western Australia**. Although Scripture Union **New South Wales** has decided to stay independent at present, it will remain in close fellowship with the new movement.



Former lawyer and SU volunteer, board member and staff member, Peter James (pictured right) has been appointed as Scripture Union Australia's first Group Chief Executive Officer. He said, "The mission God has given Scripture Union is life-transforming. It certainly transformed my life and helped me learn to meet God daily through the Bible and prayer: something I still treasure every day."

