

Herman & Kristel Jürgens

Area of ministry: Estonia

Ministry focus: University student outreach and discipleship

Cru: Agape

Global partners since 2013

Children: Tobias, Mattias, Brita, Hanna



Herman and Kristel Jürgens are global partners serving in their native Estonia. Herman grew up in a Christian home, very unusual for a time when Estonia was part of the USSR and being a Christian was dangerous! Kristel grew up in a family that knew nothing about God. Kristel came to know the Lord as a pre-teen when many global partners came to Estonia after the fall of the Iron Curtain.

Herman is the Estonian national director of Agape, the European arm of Cru. The Jürgenses are committed to reaching university students in their country and are creative in how they engage these young people, including running a coffee space, providing Alpha Course evangelistic Bible studies, taking trips, and being on campus. Kristel has led Bible and book studies for women, filling a ministry gap in Estonia. Herman and the Agape Estonia team are bold, offering a challenge to turn and follow Christ at the end of each gospel encounter.

This past winter Herman's team took a very cold trip to the Arctic Circle. Read more below!

This February our team organized a trip to the cold, dark and snowy North. We drove to Finland and Norway, beyond the Arctic Circle. Why? Because many non-Christian students are very eager to join such an adventure—and it creates the perfect opportunity to meet new students, to spend time together, build relationships and share the Gospel.

One day, we visited the beautiful little town of Tromsø in Norway. During the 1.5-hour return trip, the students in my car... began talking about how it is possible for people to experience God. None of them have ever been to a church but they knew I am a Christian. I shared stories of answered prayers and moments where we've witnessed God at work. The conversation grew deeper, and even after we arrived back at our lodging, we stayed in the car for another two hours discussing whether it's possible to truly know God and what He is like. The conversation paused only when someone came to tell us that dinner was ready.

Since then, H., R., J. and G. have continued exploring Christianity. They attend weekly gatherings at Agape with Christians and we have had many good conversations about the Gospel. Would you join us in praying that God opens their hearts and they come to know Jesus personally?



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