

## CARP European level discussion

CARP has been around for a long time. Due to our beloved first generation starting family life and much of their time being spent raising us CARP and other evangelical activities were very much put on hold. We're in a critical transition in our European movement's growth; second generation over the age of 18 will make up the majority of our movement in the next 5 years, many of our first generation members are starting to prepare for retirement and of course 2020 is right on our doorstep. Europe has never before needed a vehicle like CARP more than it does now.

I speak from experience when I say that, at the moment it is extremely difficult for second generation to lead a mission integrated lifestyle. There seems to be no solution for how the first generation will pass the baton to our second generation. Applications for leadership positions in the UK movement are rare and there seems to be an illusion that prepared second generation with a high level of faith will simply spring out of the ground equipped with the qualifications, experience and time to fill these positions.

CARP equips second generation to become owners of their faith while simultaneously living in society. These young people provide a solution to our problems surrounding leadership positions. This is something that our church needs. We are desperate for our young people to take responsibility and continue what our first generation started.

I cannot stress the importance of CARP enough, not just in terms of evangelism, but in terms of creating individuals that will take responsibility in our movement.

-Michael Schroder, UK

Through this discussion we hope to find ways in which CARP can work best on a European level.

### **Discussion Questions**

1. What does CARP do in your countries?
2. What was it successful in doing?
3. What problems have you encountered in your countries with trying to make CARP work?
  - Defining CARP clearly?
  - Finance?
4. How can CARP play more of a role in solving society's current problems?
5. How does CARP fit in with ESGD and STF?
6. How can the European chapters all work together?
  - Yearly CARP training workshop in September before exams/ Summer?
  - Facebook page for sharing