

ACP Talk on Human Trafficking---7 Feb. 2013

How I learned about HT

House work
Watching TV to distract myself
 I thought the program was on travel in the Philippines
 Baskets
 Ironing: nothing else interested me
 The movie had the tone and texture of a documentary
 ICE was involved
 During a commercial break I Googled the term Human Trafficking
 I couldn't believe what I read!!!!
 Not in the U.S. I thought!
 My God, how can you stand this????
 This cannot be allowed to stand!!!!

Then we moved to Paris!

So why the revelation then the move????
Roma begging
Pickpockets
Fire near the Gare de Nord: many died---many immigrants, some illegal, packed into a small apt.
Ship off the English coast ran aground and many bodies of Chinese people were washed up on shore. Speculation was that they might have been illegal immigrants, but they also might have been HT victims.
Met people in the stores who dreamed of moving to the UK.
Our tour guide in Egypt dreamed of moving out of Egypt to a better life.

Back home in 2006

Getting the house ready to be put on the market
 Taking down wall paper
 Painting inside and out
 When we were finished, I thought I would put my feet up and watch a movie
Guess what came on??? The movie I'd seen on HT
 God was giving me nudge
 God was also leading me through the Holy Spirit to join Mission del Sol Church

During the New Members Class, the pastor mentioned Social Justice and Peacemaking

I immediately thought of help in HT!!!
It was that, but it also led me into Prison Reform Work and Restorative Justice
In the first meeting, the pastor asked each of us to talk about what areas of Social Justice we were there to work on. Everyone was there to help on Prison Reform
I was there because of HT. What IS that???? No one knew what HT was.

The pastor tabled the Prison Reform issue and wanted to focus on HT. Would I lead a study in it?
GULP!!! I knew so little myself!!!! But I said yes!!!!

I called The Salvation Army office. They sent me to ALERT! Arizona League to End Regional
Trafficking

Mark Bratman sensed my anxiety. He told me I could relax; they had a person on staff
who was there to go out and educate the community. Katie Resendez spent
four Sunday mornings educating us.

I began attending the annual statewide conferences

People throughout Phoenix met to begin a grass roots organization on HT
Hard work

We were not always successful, but people did eventually form the
Greater Phoenix Area Human Trafficking Task Force

Organizations Fighting HT

International Justice Mission---<http://www.ijm.org/> Asia, Africa, and Latin America-headed by
Gary Haugen. They employ and work with nationals to liberate the enslaved and
prosecute the traffickers

The Polaris Project---<http://www.polarisproject.org/> Global in its mission of fighting HT, named
after the North Star that guided Slaves to freedom along the Underground Railroad.
They have a 24-hour hotline number for victims

Not for Sale---<http://www.notforsalecampaign.org/> Creates tools that engage business,
government, and grassroots in order to incubate and grow social enterprises to benefit
enslaved and vulnerable communities.
work to create jobs within poor communities

CNN's Project Freedom---<http://thecnnfreedomproject.blogs.cnn.com/> CNN is joining the fight
to end modern-day slavery by shining a spotlight on the horrors of modern-day slavery,
amplifying the voices of the victims, highlighting success stories and helping unravel the
complicated tangle of criminal enterprises trading in human life. In
2010 **Anuradha Koirala** of Nepal was Hero of the year for her fight against HT. She
received \$125,000 to continue her work

Anti-Slavery International/Free the Slaves/Anti-Slavery Paris---

<http://www.antislavery.org/english/>

<https://www.freetheslaves.net/SSLPage.aspx>

<http://parisantislavery.org/parisantislavery/>

Historically the oldest human rights organization in the world. Anti-Slavery International
was formed in 1823 to eradicate slavery in the British Empire. With the passage of the
Anti-Slavery Abolition Act in 1838, the members felt they'd achieved their goal but went
on to establish Anti-Slavery International.

Film: "Dreams Die Hard" <http://www.cultureunplugged.com/play/4985>

You'll meet three victims in this film who tell their stories a lot better than I can. You'll see the
enslavement process, organizations working to help victims, and what's happened to these people. The
film has been produced by Anti-Slavery International/Free the Slaves. In the film you'll also meet Kevin
Bales a trustee of Anti-Slavery International, who is passionate about ending slavery.

Kevin Bales:

Graduated from high school in Ponca City, OK.
BA from the University of Oklahoma in Anthropology
MA in Sociology from the University of Mississippi
MSc in Economic History and his Ph.D. from The London School of Economics
Served as consultant to the UN's Global Program on "Trafficking of Human Beings"
Advisor to the US, Britain, Ireland, Norway, Nepal governments and The Economic
Community of West African States in forming policy on slavery and HT
Edited an Anti-Human Trafficking Toolkit for the UN
Published a report on forced labor in the US with the Human Rights Center at Berkeley
Visiting Professor of International Studies at the Croft Institute at the Univ. of Mississippi
from 2001 to 2005
Currently Professor of Contemporary Slavery at the Wilberforce Institute for the Study
of Slavery and Emancipation at the University of Hull
Emeritus Professor of Sociology at Roehampton University in London.
Board of Directors of the International Cocoa Initiative

Pell & Bales, Ltd. a fund raising/research consultancy that in 2011 raised close to \$2B for
medical charities, human rights groups, environmental campaigns, overseas
development and The Labour Party.

Author of many books on HT but the best known and recently updated is *Disposable
People: New Slavery in the Global Economy* and was the basis of a film: "Slavery: A
Global Investigation" that's won a Peabody and two Emmy Awards.

The Trafficking Victim's Protection Act of 2000 passed by the 106th Congress in Oct of that year.

Sex Trafficking: The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for the
purpose of a commercial sex act (any sex act in which something of value is given to or received by any
person) in which a commercial sex act is induced by **force, fraud or coercion**, or in which the person
forced to perform such an act is under the age of 18; or

Labor Trafficking: The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for
labor or services , through the use of **force, fraud, or coercion** for the purpose of subjection to the
involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage or slavery.

View Film: 35 minutes long

What can anyone do to prevent Human Trafficking?

Pray and educate yourself on the details of HT
Invite your friends to join you
Be careful where you spend your money
Buy Fair Trade coffee and chocolate
Buy rugs that carry the Rugmark tag
Check your favorite brands online

If you're an attorney, consider doing one pro-bono case a month or every six months
If you're a doctor, donate some time to examine and treat victims coming out of trafficking
 The same if you're a psychologist or psychiatrist
If you're a writer, write about HT
If you're a musician, compose music or write lyrics to alert others
If you're a painter, create and paint a piece of art about HT
If you're a minister, call attention to HT in your sermons and organize classes to teach about HT
If you're a teacher, teach a class on HT or work with others to hold a conference on HT
If you're a craftsman, create a craft item on HT
If you're a journalist, write a story about HT
Talk to your friends and neighbors about HT
Host a dinner party and tell your friends what you've learned
Have a pizza/movie night and watch a film on HT
Join a local organization against HT and volunteer your time
Financially support an organization fighting HT
Write to your elected officials letting them know that you stand against HT
Write a letter to commend an elected official who stands against HT
Write a letter to the editor for your local paper standing against HT
Keep the numbers of your vice squad/police on your cell phone and call them if you see something suspicious
Befriend a victim coming out of a trafficking situation. Go shopping with that person, take that person to lunch.

Discussion and Q&As

Films on Human Trafficking

Amazing Grace. William Wilberforce works to end the British trans-Atlantic slave trade.

Born into Brothels. <http://www.kids-with-cameras.org/bornintobrothels/>

Call and Response. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mS-0CHXfyIk>

Children for Sale. Dateline NBC investigation.

<http://www.nbcnews.com/id/4038249/#.URZv1Wd55B4>

Dying to Leave. PBS film on trafficking

Human Trafficking. Stars Mira Sorvino and Donald Sutherland. Detailed depiction of girls and women lured or abducted into sex trafficking.

Not for Sale: The Documentary. www.notforsalefilm.com

Sex Slaves. <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/slaves/>

Trade. Stars Kevin Kline and Cesar Ramos. Adriana is a 13-year-old girl from Mexico City whose kidnapping by sex traffickers sets in motion a desperate mission by her 17-year-old brother, Jorge, to save her. Trapped and terrified by an underground network of international thugs who earn millions exploiting their human cargo.

Cargo: Innocence Lost. A compelling and educational film that explores the world of sex trafficking in the United States.

Bought & Sold: An Investigative Documentary About the International Trade in Women.

Trade of Innocents. Staring Mira Sorvino. South East Asia trafficking of children.
The Day My God Died. Trafficking of children in Bombay brothels.

Books on Human Trafficking

Kevin Bales. *Disposable People: New Slavery in the Global Economy*.

Kevin Bales. *Ending Slavery*.

Kevin Bales. *Understanding Global Slavery*.

Gary Haugen. *The Good News about Injustice*.

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Gloria Steinem. *Enslaved: True Stories of Modern-Day Slavery*.

David Batstone. *Not for Sale*.

Siddharth Kara. *Sex Trafficking*.

Anthony DeStefano. *The War on Human Trafficking*.

Links to recent articles on Europe and France

"European police arrest 103 in suspected human trafficking ring."

<http://edition.cnn.com/2013/01/31/world/europe/human-trafficking-arrests/index.html>

"Stop Sex Trafficking of Children & Young People."

http://ecpat.net/EI/Publications/Trafficking/Factsheet_France.pdf

"Refworld. 2012 Trafficking in Persons Report - France."

<http://www.unhcr.org/refworld/country,,USDOS,,FRA,,4fe30cc932,0.html>

"France and the Fight Against Trafficking in Human Beings."

http://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/IMG/pdf/FR-TraiteEtresHumains__v_anglaise.pdf

"Human Trafficking & Modern-Day Slavery - France."

<http://webcache.googleusercontent.com/search?hl=en&tbo=d&q=cache%3Ahttp%3A%2F%2Fgvnet.com%2Fhumantrafficking%2FFrance.htm&btnG=>

"Comité contre l'esclavage moderne." (Committee Against Modern Slavery).

<http://www.esclavagemoderne.org/>

"The Price of a Stole Childhood."

http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/27/magazine/how-much-can-restitution-help-victims-of-child-pornography.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0

"Child Sexual Abuse Rampant and Untreated in India, Report Says."

<http://india.blogs.nytimes.com/2013/02/07/child-sexual-abuse-rampant-and-untreated-in-india-report-says/>

"Fighting Slavery Today, Rugmark"
<http://www.anti-slaverysociety.addr.com/rugmark.htm>

The Schuster Institute for Investigative Journalism, Brandise Univ.

Human Trafficking and Modern-Day Slavery.
<http://www.brandeis.edu/investigate/slavery/index.html>