



# **EMPOWER CHURCHES**

THE POWER OF TECHNOLOGY AND MASS COLLABORATION TO  
**& CHANGE COMMUNITIES**



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A person wearing a blue long-sleeved shirt is seen from the side, holding a map with both hands. They are standing on a rocky shore next to the ocean. The water is a deep blue with white foam from breaking waves. The rocks are dark and jagged. The overall scene is outdoors and appears to be a coastal area.

# A STORY ABOUT

being unafraid to break things in order to  
make them better

A world map with a dark blue background. The landmasses are shown in a light gray color. Numerous colored pins (red, blue, green, and brown) are scattered across the map, primarily concentrated in North America, Europe, and Asia. The pins represent various locations or data points.

# A STORY ABOUT

scaling missional innovation across  
borders to advance the gospel



# GOALS



## CREATE

open technology solutions for the challenges facing humanity, locally and globally.

## GENERATE

international collaboration between individuals, communities and organizations.

## FOSTER

opportunities for technologists to use their professional skills to serve humanity.

## BUILD

the technical and collaborative capacity of people and organizations to identify and tackle challenges for social impact.

We are continuing God's work of forming, filling, and subduing. Whenever we bring order out of chaos, whenever we draw out creative potential, whenever we elaborate and "unfold" creation beyond where it was when we found it, we are following God's pattern of creative cultural development.

Timothy Keller, Every Good Endeavour



Think of the gospel as a set of glasses  
through which you “look” at everything  
else in the world.

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# EXAMPLES

Church Planting

Discipleship and Training

People in Need

Community

Economic Development /  
Entrepreneurship

# FROM THE GOSPEL

**Acts 16:5** - So the churches were being strengthened in the faith, and were increasing in number daily.

**Proverbs 22:6** - Train up a child in the way he should go, Even when he is old he will not depart from it.

**Isaiah 58: 7** - Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter— when you see the naked, to clothe them, and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood?

**1 Corinthians 12:12**- Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ.

**Matthew 25: 23** - Well done, good and faithful servant. You were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.

# A STORY ABOUT

a NASA engineer and a seminary trained  
linguistics major





# SHELTR

Random  
Hacks of  
Kindness  
&  
National Day  
of Civic  
Hacking  
Philadelphia



# STRANGE DESK

International  
Space Apps  
Challenge

Oxford




# ABIDE

Code for the  
Kingdom

San Francisco







# HACK4MISSIONS

A MISSION-FOCUSED HACKATHON AT

URBANA15

# CHALLENGES FROM #HACK4MISSIONS



## #URBANAROUTERHACK

Hack a router so that it becomes a platform for sharing evangelical, devotional, worship and other media to individuals living off the grid.



## #SECUREMISSION

Enable mission workers to be more effective and, at the same time, more secure when operating in creative contexts.



## #URBANAJOB5

Develop a new way to manage jobs at Urbana from start to finish.



## #HACKTRANSLATION

Build a tool to support bible translation.



## #GAMES4MISSIONS

Develop a fun and interactive game for missions.



## #HOSPITALRUN

Contribute to an open source project aimed at developing modern software for charitable hospitals in the developing world.



## #GLOBALWORSHIP

Harness the power of globalized technology to empower every nation, tribe, and tongue to unite with the body of Christ in worship by 2040.



## #THISISREALLIFE

Build a mobile app for real life online - student leaders growing as disciples in, like, and with Christ.

# RAPID TRANSLATION TOOLKIT

#hacktranslation

Build a tool to support bible translation

Challenge Lead  
Brenton Briggs



<http://hack4missions.org/hacktranslation.html>



# ROAD TO RIO 2016

#rio2016

Build a digital/social strategy to spread the gospel around the globe before, during and after the Olympics.

Challenge Lead  
Tim Pitcher  
Shawn Keith



<http://hack4missions.org/roadtorio16.html>

# SMALL BUSINESS STARTER

#smallbusinessstarter

Build an aid for majority/developing world entrepreneurs to start businesses built on kingdom principles.

Challenge Lead  
John Millspaugh



<http://hack4missions.org/smallbusiness.html>

# MOBILE HUB SPACE

#thisisreallife

Build a mobile app for real life online - student leaders growing as disciples in, like, and with Christ.

Challenge Lead  
Alice Liu

**INTERVARSITY**  
INTERVARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP/USA

<http://hack4missions.org/thisisreallife.html>



# AUDIO SIM

#audiosim

Use Artificial Intelligence techniques to determine if audio files containing gospel messages sound very similar.

Challenge Lead  
Kevin Horan



<http://hack4missions.org/audiosim.html>

# LOGOFF THE GOVERNMENT

#redeemthesystem

Develop a platform to host prayer meetings, peaceful protests, petitions, and advocate.

Challenge Lead  
Glorianne Wrigh  
Stephen Rowe

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<http://hack4missions.org/redeemthesystem.html>

# LIBRARY BOX

#urbanarouterhack

Hack a router so that it becomes a platform for sharing evangelical, devotional, worship and other media to individuals living off the grid.

Challenge Lead  
Mark Josephsen  
Dirk



<http://hack4missions.org/routerhack.html>



# SECURE MISSION

#securemission

Enable mission workers to be more effective and, at the same time, more secure when operating in creative contexts.

Challenge Lead  
Scott Hurd



<http://hack4missions.org/securemission.html>

# MISSION SOUNDS

#missionsounds

Develop a web app for audio collection and sharing.

Challenge Lead  
Elliott Stoddard  
Lance Olenik



<http://hack4missions.org/missionsounds.html>

# GAMES FOR MISSIONS

#games4mission

Develop a fun and interactive game for missions.

<http://hack4missions.org/gamesformissions.html>

Challenge Lead  
Jon Parise



# HOSPITAL RUN

#games4mission

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Challenge Lead  
John Kleinschmidt



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Challenge Lead  
John Kleinschmidt



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# GLOBAL WORSHIP

#globalworship

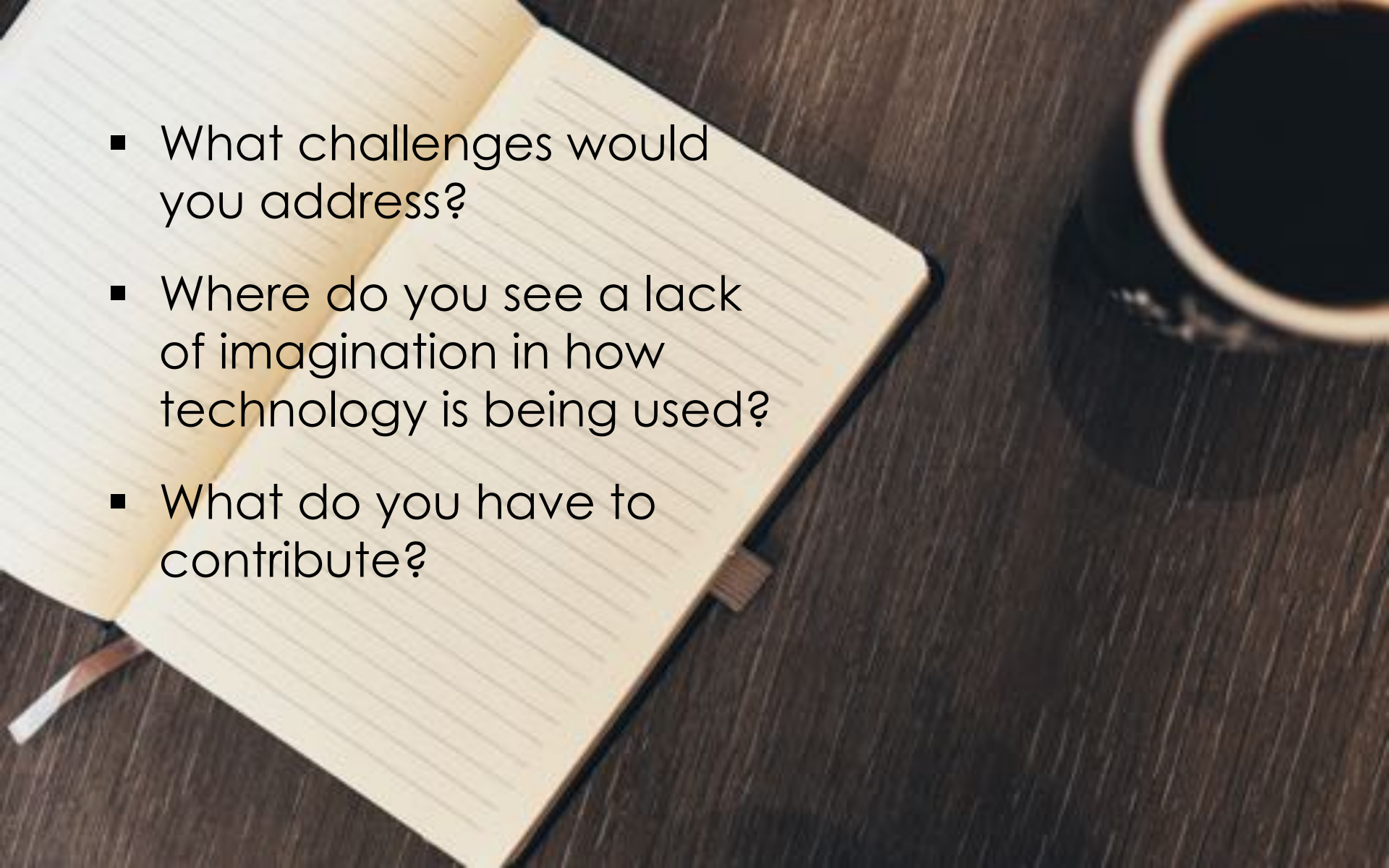
Challenge Lead  
Katherine  
Morehouse

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UNIVERSITY

<http://hack4missions.org/globalworship.html>





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- An open notebook with lined pages is positioned diagonally on a dark wooden surface. To the right of the notebook, a cup of dark coffee is visible. The notebook's pages are cream-colored with light blue horizontal ruling. The coffee cup is dark and filled with a dark liquid. The background is a dark, textured wooden table.
- What challenges would you address?
  - Where do you see a lack of imagination in how technology is being used?
  - What do you have to contribute?

SHARE YOUR  
DREAMS, HOPES &  
ASPIRATIONS





# STEPS

AN EIGHT-WEEK, VIRTUAL PROGRAM  
TO DEVELOP COMMUNITY AND DIGITAL  
SKILLS

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# HARVEST

A MISSION-FOCUSED MASS  
COLLABORATION  
OCTOBER 2016

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# QUESTIONS

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