



GLOBAL ENGAGE SPOTLIGHT

Ted & Carolyn Turnau

WHO THEY ARE:

In August of 1999, Redeemer sent Ted and Carolyn Turnau as "academic missionaries" through Global Scholars, a ministry that places Christian academics in secular colleges and universities overseas. Ted started teaching full-time at Anglo-American College (now Anglo-American University), the oldest private university in the Czech Republic. He teaches cultural studies, religious studies, media studies, and social theory.

Then in 2004, Ted and Carolyn along with other parents started the Christian International School of Prague. The school grew from 12 students to its current size, 170 students from over 50 countries. Carolyn is now the head of the Bible department. Ted is currently Chair of Arts, Culture, and Literature at AAU, and the second-longest serving member of AAU's faculty.

From the very beginning, Ted and Carolyn have extended hospitality to students. They alternate their Friday evenings between hosting a movie discussion night and then a Bible study for Christians and curious non-Christians.

Ted has also spent time writing and speaking to Christian audiences, mostly trying to equip the church to better understand popular culture and the arts. And Carolyn is currently attending online seminary so that she can be a better resource for Christian International School of Prague.

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HOW TO PRAY:

- For their Bible study to develop a core group of five or six students who come consistently. The long-term goal is that these five or six students could then petition to have a student club that would be recognized by the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students for long term work post retirement.
- Their youngest daughter, Ruth, was enrolled in a veterinarian program but dropped out after a brutal term. She is currently working at a bakery, but feels very stuck. Pray for a good path forward.
- In early August, Ted and Carolyn will be flying down to Guatemala City where Ted will lead a conference on helping Christian parents guide their kids into engaging popular culture faithfully. This is the first he's approached this topic with Hispanic & Guatemalan culture. Pray for wisdom in contextualization, and for the Holy Spirit to show up to help parents who are very concerned about their kids slipping away.

HOW TO SUPPORT:

- Your gifts to the Global Engage Fund as well as the General Fund help Cross Cultural Workers like the Turnau's in their day to day life. From Ted:
 - "Redeemer's long and faithful support of us has been vital in keeping us over here. Academics don't get paid a lot in the Czech Republic. The social expectation is that they are supposed to be poor, like monks who've taken a vow of poverty...just with more books. My salary at AAU covers our rent, and that's about it. The royalties from my books is minimal--enough to be pizza...once every six months. And Carolyn works for free; that's how CISP keeps its tuition affordable. Without Redeemer's support (as well as individual supporters and several other churches), we couldn't stay here. So, thank you!"