Would you like to become a mission partner?

With a big question mark, I left Switzerland for Canada with my family in 2012, with a big question mark, I found myself back in Switzerland at the end of 2020 to experience the here and now and the future with an even bigger RED question mark!

When I was given my terminal cancer diagnosis as a young mother and wife in 2001 (3 months to live), I learned to follow my dreams. I would not have dared take the step into entrepreneurship as an HR & training specialist, our emigration to Canada, founding my global network marketing company, had I not faced a death sentence.

In search of fulfillment in life, I came to Canada with my family. After a while, I noticed that striving and achieving still left me empty despite success. It wasn't until later that I realized that my reasons for motivation were selfish and therefore not fulfilling.

Alphalive

So if you only see ??? from now on, then welcome to the club. In search of meaning and purpose in life, I embarked on a journey that I am only now beginning to understand. Never would I have thought that I would give up my passion of being an entrepreneur and be called to lock arms with an international Christian non-profit organization. Never in my life would I have dreamed of equipping and coaching churches and their leaders across Switzerland and being part of a worldwide missionary movement.

Sandra Rechsteiner

Then Enrico brought a book home from the library in Vancouver. It's called **"THE PURPOSE DRIVEN LIFE"** by Rick Warren. This book has completely changed my/our life. After decades we dared to step inside a church building again and after the life-giving & fun service, we attended the Alpha course without knowing what to expect. For 12 weeks we met as a randomly mixed group with other curious and also skeptical people from nations all over the world and in all age groups. We all had unique life stories. We all had questions about faith, Jesus and more. Thanks to this course, I found the answer to the question marks in my life. I also soon realized that my performance, my career, my acquisitions, my lifestyle does not define me, but rather do I want to make an impact through my contribution and no longer through self-serving actions. I found my identity in Christ and was set free not by my works but by His grace. The relationship with Him allows me to step out in faith and work for His glory.

Enrico and I found our faith thanks to Alpha in Canada and were set free. In our church in Vancouver, I was able to witness so many transformations through Alpha up close and was privileged to support others on their journey. Soon I wanted to find out whether the Alpha movement is also so successful in Switzerland. Guess what I found; in Switzerland, it's called Alphalive and more than 300 church communities are already successful Alphalive hosts. I was drawn to want to participate.

I am grateful and excited to be able to combine two passions of mine
1) to empower & equip people/leaders
2) and to strengthen them in their relationship with God so that they can pass on their enthusiasm and knowledge into all Nations

The RED question mark – Alphalive and my job responsibilities

Perhaps you have already come across a poster with a big, RED question mark somewhere or have already heard of Alphalive/Alpha or even already experienced an Alphalive? Alphalive is a series of interactive meetings offered in 113 different languages and over 170 countries. Hosted in churches of different denominations, at someone's home, in prisons, universities and now online, people come together to discover the Christian faith and God. In a relaxed atmosphere, they first eat together, then watch a movie together and discuss questions around a topic; opinions and experiences are exchanged, completely informal. The communities and lifelong friendships that result are unique and incredibly enriching.

Alphalive Switzerland is a team of four passionate individuals, which equip small and larger churches all over the country to run Alphalive. My tasks will mainly include equipping and coaching churches and their leaders, winning new churches for Alphalive, strengthening and expanding the Alphalive culture locally, strategic planning and development of Alphalive as well as collaborating with Alpha in Europe and developing training across Switzerland. www.alphalive.ch

What is Campus Crusade for Christ International?

Alphalive is running here in Switzerland under the umbrella of "Campus für Christus" (a worldwide Christian non-profit organization known internationally as Campus Crusade for Christ International). They are a denominationally independent, international mission and training movement. The purpose is to help to fulfill the Great Commission in the power of the Holy Spirit by winning people to faith in Jesus Christ, building them in their faith and sending them to win and build others.

In Switzerland, we are called
Campus für Christus www.cfc.ch
In Canada, we are called
the Power to Change www.p2c.com
In the US, known as
Cru International www.cru.org

Here in Switzerland, we include around 20 ministries, such as sports, youth development, humanitarian projects, music, women's community, marriage and family. I am happy to become a part of the worldwide campus family as a staff member.

I'd love to partner with you on this impactful journey

For me to start at Campus on May 1, 2021, I am now building a strong support team, a team called mission partners. Campus für Christus is an organization supported exclusively by donations. This means that every staff member is financially supported by mission partners so they can commit fully to the service they were called to fulfill with Campus.

Would you consider becoming a monthly donor and become part of my worldwide support team? I can't wait to partner up with you. Teamwork makes the dream work. It would be my pleasure to contact you to initiate a conversation.

With love,
Sandra