

### IMPACT MONTENEGRO 2017

On January 25, 2017, a planning meeting with leaders (pastors/missionaries) from Montenegro, Albania, Croatia, Italy and PEF Impact team (Daniel Costanza, Markku Ovaska, Veera Hug) took place in Podgorica in view of Impact Montenegro (July 2-9).

### GREEK PENTECOSTAL NATIONAL LEADER HONORED

On January 17, 2017, the Medical Association of Kavala (Greece) organized an event in honor of Dr. Lambis Sidiropoulos, who was awarded for his voluntary medical activities in Greece and in the Balkan region. A number of doctors from Kavala took part in this tribute. Mr. Krokidis, President of the Medical Association described Dr. Sidiropoulos as one of the most energetic and honest personalities, contributing also as a member of the Medical Disciplinary Council in Kavala. Ms. Tsanaka, Mayor of Kavala and other representatives of the Medical Association pointed out his great commitment towards the refugees, the Pomaks (minority of Slavic Muslims inhabiting Bulgaria, north-eastern Greece and north-western Turkey) and in the poorest areas of Greece, where he has been serving for 40 years. The event also received significant media attention.



Dr. Lambis is the President of the Greek Pentecostal Synod (a member movement of PEF), Pastor in Kavala and other locations and a pioneer of several churches. He served as a member of the PEF Presidium from 2010 to 2016.

### ITALIAN PENTECOSTAL LEADER PROMOTED TO GLORY

On January 9, 2017, Pastor Remo Cristallo went to be with the Lord. Born in 1940, he had accepted the Lord at the age of 16. Pastor Pasquale De Martino initiated Cristallo into pastoral ministry which he always carried out with extraordinary energy and a strong evangelistic momentum. Cristallo led numerous



missionary and philanthropic initiatives: from the school of discipleship for young people in a deprived area of Naples (Secondigliano), to evangelistic activities, from the production of radio and television programmes (Radio Nuova Casale, Radio Evangelo, TeleOltre) to the promotion of Christian publishing houses (EPA Media, Multimedia), from social commitment on behalf of the young people in the Campania hinterland, to national and international humanitarian initiatives (Amen Onlus). The church was always the centre of Pastor Remo Cristallo's perspective of life. He was involved in planting numerous churches in Italy and abroad, and in promoting the unity of the Church, first with the creation of the Pentecostal Pastors Coordination, then with the building up and leading of the Communion of Evangelical Pentecostal Churches (CCEP, 1997) and finally with the Federation of Pentecostal Churches (FCP, 2000), a member movement of PEF, which includes about 50,000 Pentecostals believers in Italy. His ministry developed under the banner of "New Pentecost", indicating a constant search for the leading of the Holy Spirit. His vision was encapsulated in the motto "From Italy for Italy, for Europe and the World."

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