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June Highlights

Night for the Nations, June 15, 7 pm, Carpinteria.

This night will include worship and testimonies from the field ...including stories from Brooke Harper who recently returned from YWAM Chile, after ministering in Chile nearly a year and experiencing the massive earthquake on February 27. Other guest missionaries may also be sharing including Katie Caya about her recent experience in Africa.

Summer Mission Tuesdays Continue in July. Next month, our meetings will be on the Ventura campus.

Prayer for the Nations will be July 6.

Night for the Nations will be July 20.

In October, with the start of a new homegroup season, this schedule may be reevaluated. Watch the bulletin for more information.

More Prayer Needed! Summer is traditionally a time when many people are able to go and serve on short-term trips and teams. We have many teams and individuals going out this summer and we need to be diligent to pray for them. Come pray **June 8, 7 pm in Carpinteria with the Thai team** as they prepare to leave. Look for other prayer opportunities to be announced.

Missionaries on the Field

Jill • Israel



Jill really needs our prayers right now. She is being tested and tried, going through the last few weeks of the school year with added spiritual and emotional challenges, described in this recent e-mail:

“Today has been a devastating day for me, as I discovered that the Parker family will be leaving Israel on June 25th. They had a really hard time this year and with the loss of their baby, combined with all the issues and changes being made in the school, they decided that the best thing for their family is to return to the States. One reason why I have been able to persevere during this difficult year is because of the love and support I have received from the Parker family. Ben, Rachel and their children are my closest and dearest friends here and an integral part of the school community. However, while I agree with them that their decision is best for their family, I am SO SO sad!

One other added sadness was receiving news of the teaching appointments for next year and seeing Christian teachers being replaced with Jewish ones. All our strong Christian staff are leaving. That leaves me! What am I going to do?! Please pray that the Lord can somehow redeem this situation, as it feels so overwhelming to think about! I have to trust that God can redeem these situations, because He also cares, and ultimately He is in control and can work, even through these poor decisions!”

Through these trials, Jill continues to have opportunities to share the Gospel and to see God answer prayers. One praise is that Sonja, a Christian friend that Jill met in Hebrew class, is returning to live in Jerusalem to continue her studies. This is great timing and encouragement for Jill. Also, Machel Freel (pictured right) will be visiting her for 10 days this month from June 19 – July 1, bringing prayer, support, refreshment, and supplies.



Good things have been going on in Jill’s class and here is a fun report on her kids:

“I was teaching a Bible lesson about Elijah and the prophets of Baal and whenever I said “One true God” my kids had to shout out “ONE TRUE GOD!” After I read about Elijah setting up stones and wood and then covering it with water, I asked, “Can this burn up?” When the class said “No!” another boy shouted, “So this is a fiction book?” Well, I had to explain that our God, the One true God, can do things that no one else can do, such as miraculously burning water-covered wood, and this was a non-fiction book. Then they started saying “Yeah, the One true God can do anything... like make the world, and us, and send Jesus” and they just kept listing all the amazing things God has done! I followed up by talking about how important it is to read the Bible and two students asked for Bibles. I have found some children’s Bibles here and have written a note to their parents about it. Please pray that the Lord would allow this! Praise the Lord for good fruit, and for these children who have put their trust in Jesus!”

Pray for Jill to be strengthened, sustained and comforted by God’s grace and mercy and for her to have faith that the Lord will work through every challenging situation.

Pray for her to be guarded by God’s peace from feelings of isolation, confusion, and fear.

Pray for school directors and administrators to have clarity regarding the school’s ministry purpose and calling.

Pray for Jill to remain healthy through the last few weeks of the school year.

Pray that Machel’s visit is wonderfully anointed, protected by God, and effective. Pray for Machel to be filled with wisdom to know how best to encourage and support Jill. Pray for safety as they travel together in Israel.

Pray for prayer partners in Jerusalem to be raised up and come alongside Jill.

Pray for God to sovereignly rule over the government officials in charge of the visas to accomplish His purposes in His land.

Check out Jill’s blog at teachinginisrael.blogspot.com

Missionaries on the Field

Austin and Kindra • *Middle East*



Austin and Kindra will be returning to the states in a few weeks to prepare for their wedding later this summer. They plan to spend a year raising support and receiving training before returning to the Middle East in Fall of 2011. They are hoping to find a place to live in Carpinteria, and we are very excited to be receiving them back this this season of their lives together.

Pray for Austin and Kindra to finish well as they transition their responsibilities and relationships with students and prepare to return to the states.

Pray for lasting fruit, that the many students that have been touched by their testimonies will either continue to walk with the Lord or be drawn to make that initial commitment.

Pray for the teams that will be replacing them to come with a deep passion for the Gospel and love for the students they will be ministering to; that the work would continue to grow and flourish with new leadership.

Pray for God's grace and guidance over their lives as they take care of final wedding details and process their transition back to the states. Pray for Godly counselors and many to uphold them and help them during this time.

Pray for Austin and Kindra as they prepare for marriage and for long-term ministry. Pray for them to find a place to live in Carpinteria and be knit into fellowship at Reality for their next year.

Walt • *Mexico*



Walt continues to work at La Casa Esperanza, reaching out to abused women and children with the love of Christ. God has recently shown favor to the Casa in several ways. A woman who runs a large company that supplies fruit and vegetable has very generously offered to provide food for free to the Casa. What an amazing testimony of God's provision! Another praise is that one week ago, Walt got a chance to meet with one of Reality's staff members Matt Smith for lunch. In this short visit, the Lord did a lot to encourage Walt as he processed through some recent trials. Matt was also able to bring down some clothes and funds that the body at Reality had generously given to the Casa. God continues to be so faithful to Walt and Casa Esperanza!

Walt asks special prayer over the moms at the Casa, that the Lord would direct those He wants there. This last week, three moms left: one on good terms; another, because she was angry; and the third was asked to leave for not being willing to adapt. Walt says already four other women have asked to enter the Casa. Pray for God's sovereign direction over the ladies that come and that they would be open to what He wants to do in their lives.

Pray for the co-directors at the Casa (Samuel and Yasmin) who need a new vehicle; pray that the Lord would continue to meet all of the financial needs of the ministry.

Pray that the Lord would bring an end to recent harassment from neighbors toward some of the teenage girls at the Casa and restore peace, giving those who are causing problems repentant hearts.

Pray for safety and protection for Walt, the moms and children at the Casa as rumors have been circulating about others plotting to hurt them.

Pray for encouragement for Walt and grace to persist when he is the target of gossip and slander.

Pray for the moms at La Casa to truly seek a relationship with the Lord, and that their children would come to know Jesus and really grasp hold of Him. Pray for the moms to focus on the needs of their children, not themselves.

For news about the Casa: lacasadeesperanza.blogspot.com. For posts from Walt, see: chacholibre.blogspot.com

Missionaries on the Field

Matt and Amy • Ecuador



Matt and Amy had a challenging month, that began with Matt working over 100 hours one week when he was on call at the clinic covering for an absent doctor. Amy has been challenged too with Matt gone so much and trying to develop new relationships and keep the girls occupied. Amy says:

"I have had to adjust to many things since arriving in Shell: caring for two kids without Matt around as much, daily tasks and cooking that are more time consuming than in the States, realizing that I really don't live near family and old friends anymore. It's been hard at times,

but God has been faithful and I've been slowly learning to rely on Him for everything from parenting skills to company when Matt has long work hours. There's a peace that comes from knowing I'm where God wants me and that only He can really satisfy me. And I really have felt more at home here in the past couple weeks!"



Now that they are starting to feel settled, they will actually be returning to Ventura in June for two weeks to celebrate two special weddings: Matt's brother and Amy's sister. Lilly gets to be a flower girl twice in one month!

A special praise report is that after visiting a number of churches, Matt and Amy have identified a fellowship they can call "home." And added blessing is that their new church has been developing relationships with a small community of Shuar, an indigenous people group of Ecuador, located about an hour outside of Shell. Some Shuar still live deep in the jungle, in the same manner as they did hundreds and thousands of years ago. Others have relocated to more accessible areas and taken on Western dress, while still maintaining many of their tribal ways. Each community is basically a large extended family, with everyone related to each other.

About 5 years ago, a medical team did a clinic in the Shuar community, and told them about Jesus for the first time. A few believed what they heard, which was the beginning of a small church. During the past three years, the local church in Shell has befriended the new believers, answering questions about the Bible, and helping with various practical needs such as clean water.

Matt and Amy with their children went with a group recently to visit the Shuar. Their pastor did a Bible study while his wife (who is a preschool teacher) did activities with the kids. After sharing a meal together, they gave the children Samaritan's Purse shoeboxes. So Christmas and Jesus love came to this little village in May. The kids were very excited to get presents and sweets!



Pray for the Holy Spirit to lead Matt and Amy as they develop relationships with their new church family and others in the local community.

Pray that Matt would have wisdom and sensitivity to the Holy Spirit as he treats the physical, spiritual, and emotional needs of his patients.

Pray for God's protection as they travel this month and their time with families in Ventura will be sweet. Pray that God fills them with excitement about returning to Shell, and that all the traveling would not be hard on the girls.

Continue to pray for Matt and Amy to have wisdom and grace in parenting Lilly and Violet.

Matt and Amy have a password protected blog: www.kappens.org. E-mail them at makappen@gmail.com to get the password or be added to their e-mail updates.

Missionaries on the Field

Michelle • *Australia*



Michelle is almost at the half way mark of her stay in Australia. The university students are preparing for finals and Michelle and her team will then begin evaluating the last semester and planning for the next. They will also enjoy a holiday and much needed rest for most of June while the universities are on mid-semester break. Then in the first week in July, the Mid-Year Conference will be held with other universities in the states of Victoria and New South Wales. A team from UCLA will also arrive to help in July, mainly at Ballarat, Michelle's campus. Michelle says about her first semester:

"We have seen the Lord do a lot, and I am so grateful for all the relationships He has put in our paths and all that He has done these past few months. But I'm desiring so much more. I'm desiring these campuses to be reached with the love of Jesus; I'm desiring these students to know that there is a God and that He's a God that cares more deeply for them than they could ever imagine; I'm desiring for Australia to become that key sending nation. I've wrestled so much with God on how we can help bring about all of these things. And He simply tells me to pray... to pray in faith, knowing that He is faithful to answer in His own timing." Let's join with Michelle in praying for revival among the college campuses in Australia.

Pray that many students from Geelong would attend the mid-year conference and enjoy the fellowship and training.

Pray that the UCLA team would be used effectively to reach students at Ballarat.

Pray for Michelle who is the liaison between the local team and the UCLA team, as well as being the campus coordinator at Ballarat. Pray that she will be able to balance all of her responsibilities.

For up-to-date news on Michelle's activities, check out her blog: michelleinthelanddownunder.blogspot.com

Aubrey • *Reality London, May 28 – July 2*



Aubrey made it safely to London on Friday after seeing the Lord miraculously provide for her financial needs. After three days, she is beginning to adjust to the jet lag. On Sunday, she worshiped with the believers at Reality London in their new location at a local pub. Aubrey says: "It seems funny that they have church in a pub, but it is such a perfect setting for this city! And it's the perfect size for the amount of people that go." Church was followed by a picnic at the park giving Aubrey a chance to get to know some people better. They also played wiffle ball until every ball Aubrey had brought was broken.

Part of Aubrey's purpose in London is to discern the spiritual climate of the city by visiting different churches on Sunday nights. This first Sunday, she attended Holy Trinity Brompton, where the worship leader Tim Hughes attends. Monday was a day to explore and get more familiar with the city. Aubrey visited about four different districts, jumping on busses and the tube and getting off again as she felt led. She did a lot of walking and praying!

Tuesday Aubrey will meet with Mark and Lizzie to begin exploring in more detail how she can help. They have some media projects they would like her help with such as Web updates, and other opportunities that are more directly related with building up believers and reaching out to non-believers.

Pray for the Holy Spirit to lead Aubrey in using her time wisely and effectively for Him, especially her free time.

Pray for Aubrey to have discernment and wisdom as she travels the city (she asked for "street smarts"); London is a much different place than Carpinteria!

Pray for Aubrey's heart to be open to everything the Lord wants to do in and through her during her time in London and for discernment about God's plan for future ministry in London and His purposes for Aubrey.

Follow Aubrey at: aubrey2london.tumblr.com

Missionaries on the Field

Sharon • *Tanzania, May 14 – June 6*



Sharon, who has faithfully served in the US as the coordinator for sales for the Wild Hope Artisan products, is now spending three weeks in Arusha, Tanzania, sharing her love and encouragement with Tammy Russell as well as offering practical help with the Maasai beadwork and any other way she can. Sharon reports:

“One of the highlights so far has been seeing the Total room where all the beadwork is counted and stored after its long journey from the bush. I was also able to meet Faith, a Tanzanian who does the accounting and attends to other bead-related issues.”

Sharon has been amazed at all the needs and requests that are directed at Peter and Tammy in addition to their own ministry ventures and commitments. During her time there, Sharon has been able to help home school the twins so that Peter and Tammy could have a much-needed 3-day get-away. She has served alongside them in the hospital, praying for individuals with a variety of physical needs. One of the Westmont interns recently fell 100 feet while hiking and miraculously came out with only a minor head wound. A hiking friend, Nadine, is healing from a broken pelvis and other bruises from the fall. They are both glad to be alive!

Sharon is also fully enjoying seeing her dear Maasai friends she has loved and prayed for since living with the Russells in the bush twelve years ago. Recently many came out of the bush to greet her at the Russell's home.

Pray for Sharon to have spiritual insight for each day as she pours into Tammy and intercedes for her ministry.

Pray for practical wisdom and knowledge regarding the Artisans' beadwork ministry.

Pray for the Lord to help Sharon give peaceable wisdom, hope and joy to the Wild Hope team and Maasai pastors.

Pray for Sharon's back to be healed while she is there, and for physical strength while travelling over extremely rough ground as she works alongside Tammy.

Missionaries Returned from the Field

Katie • *Kenya and Tanzania, February 18 – May 18*



Katie returned to the States on May 18 after serving for 3 months in East Africa. She loved it there! We will be hearing more about her time with orphans in Kenya and her work with Tammy Russell and the Maasai in the next few weeks.

For now Katie reports:

“Things are going really well since being in Sacramento with my family. I am finally recovered from the jet lag (took me about a week to feel normal again), and although meeting with friends and family has been a bit overwhelming, it has been good to process with them.

When people ask me what I learned, what God taught me and what I did, I realize how much God worked and changed me and taught me life-long lessons. I am so encouraged talking to people and my faith has been strengthened since being home and reflecting! It is hard though being back and not really knowing how to cope with everything that we have here and not feel guilty. Everything from running water, to paved roads, to shoes... I don't want to forget that all of these things are such a blessing and not to take them for granted.”

Pray for Katie to adjust back to life in the States.

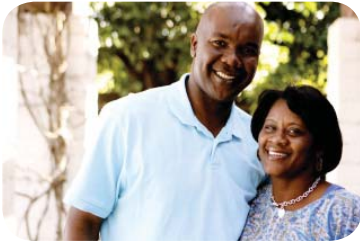
Pray for God's leading regarding where Katie is to work and live.

Pray for Katie's faith to continue to grow and for her to trust the Lord to work in her life as strongly now as while she was in Africa.

Righteousness Reigning in Roatan

“The Lord reigns; Let the earth rejoice; Let the multitude of isles be glad! “ Psalm 97:1

Hank and Kathy • Roatan, June 13 – August 13



Hank and Kathy Stanley are preparing to serve in Roatan, Honduras, ministering to those at the Alpha Community Church in Pandytown. This church has seen steady growth over the past few months, with sixteen people coming to faith. An increase in Spanish-speaking believers may soon lead to beginning a Spanish service. Hank and Kathy are looking forward to preaching the Gospel to the community and ministering Christ to the men and women of the island. They will be hosting several short-term teams with specific outreach goals, including Paul and Jeannine Morgan and their homegroup, Dave and Heather Granada and their family, and Ryan Hillner and the Reality High School Team..

The Stanleys are very excited about the summer ministries and what the Lord is going to do and are praying for a great revival among the youth of Pandytown. They are also praying for God to raise up long-term youth pastors and servants to provide administrative support for the church and various outreaches. This trip should be refreshing and fruitful since nothing brings the Stanleys more joy than to be ministering Christ to “their people” on Roatan.

Pray for God’s wisdom and provision for Hank to know when and how to transition into more full-time ministry. **Pray for** the establishment of the non-profit ministry “His Island Outreach” to the people of Roatan.

Pray for powerful anointing on Hank to preach and pastor and on Kathy to minister to women and lead worship.

Pray for God to help Hank make the needed preparations for the summer short-term trips and that God uses each team to bless, encourage and refresh Hank and Kathy as well as to establish God’s kingdom in Roatan.



Pray for God to continue to raise up the body of Christ to come alongside the ministry of Pandytown through prayer, giving and sending long-term workers. Pray for the hearts of the teams coming to be prepared to serve.

Follow updates during the summer on Hank’s blog: hislandoutreach.tumblr.com

Morgan’s Home Goup

On June 26, sixteen members of Paul and Jeannine Morgan’s home group will join Hank and Kathy for a week of outreach. Planned mens events include a dominos tournament, accompanied by testimonies and a Bible lesson. A popular event repeated from last year is the men’s “hog fry,” also with time for testimony and Bible teaching. The men also expect to visit a prison, provide food for widows, and participate in a baptism for new converts. Women’s events include special nights of worship and Bible teaching and morning exercise followed by coffee, fellowship, and Bible study. The team will provide childcare and Bible activities for the kids so the moms can participate.

Dave and Heather Granada and Family

Dave and Heather Granada and their family will also be traveling to Roatan from July 13–30. Last year, Dave spent several weeks in Roatan by himself, but this year he feels led to serve the men of the Island by showing them how God works through an intact family. Another part of the Granada family’s mission is to be forerunners for the Reality High School Team arriving July 17. Dave will scope out projects for the youth and prepare needed materials. Jade (14), Genevieve (9) and Dave will have opportunity to lead worship in various settings while Heather will have the privilege of sharing with women. Savannah (5) will focus on praying and playing with kids.

High School Youth

Ryan Hillner is bringing a team of 17 high schoolers and 9 youth leaders to Roatan from July 17–27. The team will serve in various ways from building projects, to street evangelism, sports outreaches, and open air meetings, especially targeting the youth of Roatan. These high schoolers have been meeting weekly to pray and grow their hearts for God’s purposes for this trip. They are reading John Piper’s *Let the Nations be Glad* and learning more about God’s desire to bring glory to His Son and are excited to see how God will use them to further His kingdom among the island people.

Missionaries Preparing to Go

Lindsey • Uganda, June 28 – July 28



God has recently been moving on Lindsey's heart to be on mission with Him, especially in serving and loving orphans. As she has followed that leading, the Lord has given Lindsey the opportunity to go to Uganda for the month of July with a team of eleven others sponsored through the International Mission Project and Cross Cultural Training (IMPACT) program of the Santa Barbara Presbytery.

Lindsey and her team will leave June 28 for five days of cross-cultural training and preparation before flying to Kampala on July 3. While in Uganda, they will be serving alongside an indigenous, multi-faceted organization named Discipleship Mission International (DMI). The team will work in construction, evangelism and mercy ministry to widows and orphans, and support DMI's programs in any way needed. DMI sponsors two Christ-centered primary schools that have over 1900 students from Ugandan villages, orphans whose parents have died from HIV/AIDS, community children, and pastors' children. Check their Web site for details:

www.discipleshipmissions.com

Pray for Lindsey as she prepares to leave this month that her heart would be stayed upon God's Word and that He would strengthen her and establish her thoughts.

Pray for the Lord to meet Lindsey's financial needs. Part of the cost of the trip includes money that will be given to DMI to support their programs.

Pray for unity among the team; that they would honor and esteem one another and that they would seek to do everything for the Glory of Christ. Pray that they would grow closer to one another and to Jesus.

Pray for safety as they travel and for health as they eat new foods and experience physical challenges.

Lindsey's team will be posting updates here: impactuganda.blogspot.com

Rebecca • Roatan, June 24 – July 18



As a school teacher, Rebecca has had the opportunity to be a frequent participant in short-term missions during summer breaks from school. Over the past 20 years, she has visited many places in south and central America, especially enjoying serving at orphanages. One of her favorite spots is Roatan. This is the fourth year she will be returning to Sandy Bay, Roatan to help as a relief worker at a local orphanage so that the house parents can have some needed time off. The Greenfield Home is part of Sandy Bay Light House Ministries (www.sblmroatan.org). The facility can house up to 24 children.

During her time at the orphanage, Rebecca will demonstrate the loving and healing hands of Jesus to the children by supporting them through academic tutoring and vacation Bible school type activities as well as the daily routine of helping with meals, school, bedtime, and general upkeep. Another couple from the states will also be joining her to provide extra hands and help during this time.

Pray for Rebecca to be filled with the strength and love of the Lord as she ministers to the needs of these children, many of whom have been deeply wounded through difficult life experience.

Pray for sufficient helpers and team unity at the orphanage so that activities run smoothly while the house parents are gone; for good health for the children and workers, and for the children to be adequately cared for.

Pray for the Holy Spirit to cover the time the house parents are gone, that the children will be peaceful, and everything will run smoothly.

Pray for sweet times of worship and prayer and times of refreshing from the Lord.

Missionaries Preparing to Go

Luke and Bethany • *YWAM Australia*



Luke and Bethany are now back at the YWAM base in Montana after completing their journey to India and Australia. However, they won't be there long. One of their goals in traveling was to seek the Lord's direction in ministry, and they now feel like they have heard clearly about the next steps: they will be moving to **Australia** in July to become part of the staff at the Sunshine Coast YWAM base. They will return to Santa Barbara in June to reconnect with the church family here and begin preparing for the move to Australia. Bethany reports:

"We believe very strongly that this is all God's doing. We are a little nervous but more excited. Moving to Australia will be a big deal for us. It will be our first time living over seas for an extended period of time."

Pray for the Lord to manage all the details of the move to Australia and for peace and trust for Bethany and Luke.

Pray for the transition as Bethany and Luke leave Montana and say goodbye to those they have been working with; that they would continue to have good relationships with the friends they have made.

Pray that the Lord would provide times of rest and refreshing before they begin their next move; they have been on the go non-stop for several months. **Pray for** opportunities to see their families before they leave for Australia, since around Christmas they will be leading a team overseas and won't be able to visit.

Pray for increased financial provision since the daily living expense in Australia is quite high, as well as provision for the initial cost of moving to Australia.

Follow their adventure on their blog: onanadventurewithhim.blogspot.com

Missionaries Friends

Merrill and Teresa • *South America*



Merrill and Teresa have been enjoying a few weeks in the states catching up with family. The picture on the left shows Merrill (second from right) on a road trip with his four brothers. After a week-long motorcycle trip through Arizona, the band of brothers went on to San Carlos, Mexico, where Howard, one of the brothers, has a mission. Merrill and Teresa are also spending time with their son Josh, his wife Josie, and their four children before this family heads back to Indonesia to continue serving with New Tribes.

Merrill and Teresa head back to South America on July 4 to resume translating the remaining books of the New Testament, starting with 2 Corinthians. Teresa says, "The initial transfer to another language is probably the most laborious, especially when we don't have the mother tongue speakers close by in case we want to find out how to say something we are stuck on."

Pray for Merrill and Teresa as they visit family here that they will get some needed rest and refreshment. **Pray for** their son Josh and his family as they return to Indonesia for 3-4 more years, and have many goodbyes to say.

Pray for Merrill and Teresa's physical strength and healing and for wisdom in taking care of health issues. Pray especially for their backs, which have been a source of pain and stress.

Pray for strength and joy to complete the translation task; pray for safety and freedom from government interference.

Continue to pray for the local pastors and their families, that they would trust God to provide their physical needs as they give their time to the study and teaching of God's word. Pray especially for Hernan, Vigilio, Pablo, Justo, Luis Ramon, and Juan.

Missionaries Friends

Peter, Tammy, and Family • Tanzania



Peter and Byron have returned to Tanzania after a fruitful meeting with the Wild Hope Board in the States, sensing renewed focus for the season ahead. Tammy and Lisa and the kids did well while the men were gone and thank everyone for their prayers! Peter received clear direction from the Lord on how to build up the team in worship and love, while waiting on Him for finances for their various ministry projects. The challenge now is to keep this focus and to implement God's direction while hosting several back-to-back summer teams coming to serve the Maasai and the soccer kids in the Unga slum. The Wild Hope team of four is very stretched, but still eagerly anticipating what lies ahead in the next season.

The team is excited to receive help in the form of Shannon and Liz Roddy, a young married couple who will be joining the team this month for a year's stay, bringing talents and passion for administration on all levels.

Katie and her friend Mallory have returned from their time of serving in East Africa. They were a special blessing in the area of organization and administration for Wild Hope's artisans and Tammy is very grateful for all they accomplished as they worked by her side and lifted her up in prayer. Sharon Reed is now in Arusha with Tammy and helping her with home schooling, organizing the Maasai beadwork sales, and in prayer ministry for the Maasai. Because she is there, Peter and Tammy have been able to have a 3-day marriage get-away to be refreshed in the Lord together. Sharon is being used by the Lord to bring refreshment to Tammy and to help confirm spiritual direction for the Wild Hope team and the Maasai pastors.

Pray for the Wild Hope team to grow in understanding and for unity to increase even while each person carries out their individual roles and tasks. Pray for their love and care for each other to increase.

Pray for the team to have the right balance of worship and waiting on the Lord, and teamwork to get the work done to carry the ministry forward.

Pray for the team to be renewed in simple pure devotion to Jesus and His Word.

Pray for Tammy to use discernment and know when to say No, as her gift of mercy and heart of compassion get tugged on regularly.

Pray for the gift of healing to increase through the team as they pray for their own physical needs as well as minister to the sick all around them.

Pray for the four Maasai pastors and worship leaders to receive all the paperwork needed for them to come to the States this fall. Pray for partners in prayer and funding to be prepared for Peter and Tammy's visit and for the ministry presentations they will give in October and November.

Pray for Shannon and Liz to settle in and adjust to life in Tanzania, for Liz to be healed of a tailbone injury, and for their marriage to be strengthened as they live in community and begin to add their skills and spiritual gifts to the Wild Hope team.

For up-to-date news, visit the Web sites:

wildhopeinternational.org

www.wildhopestories.blogspot.com



Missionaries Friends

Steve and Jan • *Mexican Medical*



Steve and Jan are continuing with their busy summer schedule, leading teams and coordinating activities to bring the good news of the Gospel as well as provide medical services to those in need in Mexico.

Steve is very grateful for the prayer last month regarding ministry at the men's prison in Santa Rosalia. The team included a dentist, two doctors, and the mobile dental unit. Many of the men have no family near by, so a visit from friendly faces and some hygiene supplies meant a great deal to them. Steve reports:

"It was a moving experience sharing the Gospel with men who are surrounded by walls and fences but are free in Christ. The prison has a chapel and the men who know Jesus worship every day. One young man saved in prison showed me his Thompson study Bible. The Holy Spirit impressed me how this young man was actually being protected by God by being in prison. Outside the prison walls,

young men like him are dying horrible deaths in the constant drug war between cartels, while inside because of God's infinite mercy, this young man actually has a chance at life and an opportunity to become educated in God's word."

Steve and Jan are seeing an on-going need for a place to care for critically ill children in the Ensenada area. Gabriel House recently received two more children, including a three-month old baby named Ana Lucia who weighs only 4 pounds and has a feeding tube. "Lucy" was later re-admitted to the hospital for pneumonia and really needs prayer for God's healing touch. The government has asked Gabriel House to take two more physically disabled siblings of children already there. Jan says, "We are grateful for the funds provided this week to Gabriel House from faithful churches and individuals."



Gabriel House Ministry Opportunity

If any friends from Reality are interested in seeing the ministry of Gabriel House first hand, Steve and Jan will be leading a weekend trip for Reality members on August 21-23. If you would like to spend a weekend seeing love in action among these precious children, contact Jan (jan@mexicanmedical.com) for details and an application.

Pray for Steve and Jan as they will be leading teams in Mexico every other week until Labor Day. Pray for strength and good health, for safety and protection from violence, and for wisdom and discernment as they lead.

Pray for Jan as she travels to Gabriel House this week to coordinate the return of some missionaries to the states and introduce a possible nurse volunteer to the ministry there.

Pray for Steve and Jan as they lead a team from Washington to Gabriel House for the week of June 19-27. Pray for the team to be prepared spiritually and for them to have wisdom on how to be a blessing.

Pray for God's continued mercy on little Lucy, that her health would turn around and she would begin to thrive and grow. Pray for continued financial provision for the Gabriel House to be able to receive more needy children.

Pray for the summer interns working at Gabriel House and at Clinica La Esperanza.

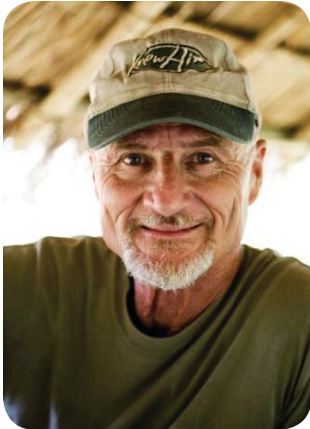
Pray for the "Mini Medical Brigada" in Tijuana on June 12, that the local church will reach many in their community for Christ.

Pray for Steve and Jan's son and ministry partner Brian who is serving at a Calvary Chapel summer camp in Colorado this month and then joining Steve and Jan in southern Baja in July, where they will be ministering at the original mission base with Dr. Avila.

For news and ministry opportunities, visit the Web site: mexicanmedical.com

Missionaries Friends

Ron • Thailand



Three weeks ago Ron took part in a special time of prayer and sending out of 25 Lahu missionaries who were heading to China. These men were eager to go and spread the Gospel despite risking their lives. Also in the past month the staff held their semi-annual staff seminar, which was a study of the book of James. This was a very encouraging time, not only to spend time in the Word with the other staff, but also to be able to see the depth of knowledge and wisdom that the Lord has given to the staff. P' Chelerm a staff member who grew up in the orphanage, taught on his passage of James using many detailed diagrams (picture on right). This was Ron's description:

"The white board he diagramed everything on was like 3' x 5.' He had it full of illustrations, scripture, arrows, examples, wow, I'm telling you it was great. I think he must be spending

time with Britt. He was so completely thorough in explaining this passage—like Britt's teachings—that we were all just amazed and sat there in awe. And he did all of this in an hour and a half. Bless God! I love to see our staff members and kids growing in grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus."



Ron also shared that the area of Chiang Rai has not been experiencing any of the political tension that has been consuming Bangkok. Despite this continued peace in the area, he has had two other short-term mission teams from churches in the States cancel their summer trips. Although disappointed, Ron is trusting God will work this for good, and is really looking forward to the arrival of the team from Reality, who will be in Thailand June 20 – July 3. The team, shown below, consists of (standing): Tom Kranzle, Dave Robison, Danny Jack, Michael Stetson, Erika Felix, Marcie Hammons, Matt Smith, Geoff Jensen, and Caleb Mason. Seated are Amber Smith, Shea Gallardo, Bethany Ernst, Jocelyn Robison, and Jessica Joens.



At present, the Reality team is planning on spending five days sleeping in the mountains by the border of Myanmar at Batha's orphanage, which is in the Red Lahu village of Hewey Lou. From there they plan an outreach to a local tribal school, then travel to a nearby village called Hewey Lou Two. There they plan to pray and minister to people by providing minor medical care and presentations of the Gospel. The team will also look for ways to minister to the kids and staff at Baan Immanuel through encouragement and help out with any practical needs. Time will also be devoted to prayer for the current needs and new developments of the ministry.

The team would love your prayer support for this trip.

Follow their blog at realityinthailand.com and come pray with the team on Tuesday, June 8th at 7 pm on the Carpinteria campus.

Pray for Ron to be daily refreshed in physical and spiritual strength.

Pray for Ron to have prophetic insight and wisdom into where to lead the Reality team while there.

Pray for the children and the staff of Baan Immanuel to be sheltered in God and kept from the schemes of the enemy to disrupt unity.

Pray for the Reality team to travel in safety and remain in good health, to be unified and humble.

Pray for fruitful and powerful ministry among the Lahu and Thai people.