

RUFFUPDATE

GHANA MISSION

Extraordinary Prayer

Disciple Making Movements all have in common extraordinary prayer. When people become disciples and learn how to make multiplying disciples it is amazing how fast the gospel spreads. When many begin experiencing the glory of God, the natural response from Satan our enemy is to attack. Sometimes Satan attacks us physically, sometimes emotionally, but most of the time Satan targets key leaders of the movement, knowing that he can do more damage by attacking the shepherd and then scattering the sheep.

Since July 2014 God has been blessing mightily with the birthing of 155 disciple making groups meeting weekly, with a combined weekly attendance of 1054, and 496 baptisms to date.

I kept thinking, "This is wonderful. I wonder what Satan has up his sleeve." Throughout our 8 years in Ghana Satan has been relentless bringing home the reality of the critical need for intense prayer. Satan is at it again attacking another leader. PLEASE PRAY. I will keep you updated.



Juliana (Center), City Team trainer from Sierra Leone

City Team is an organization whose mission is Disciple Making Movements (DMM) and has a million member DMM movement going in Sierra Leone. They keep things simple by starting small DMM groups of 8 - 12 that disciple individual members of each group to disciple others and multiply new groups. They have done an

amazing job and we thank Juliana for her willingness to travel by bus from Accra to spend April 12-14 with us. A book worth reading about their movement is entitled "Miraculous Movements by Jerry Trousedale their director. The book describes what we are seeing in Ghana on a much smaller scale.



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NEVER GIVE UP

"So we're not giving up. How could we! Even though on the outside it often looks like things are falling apart on us, on the inside, where God is making new life, not a day goes by without his unfolding grace. These hard times are small potatoes compared to the coming good times, the lavish celebration prepared for us. There's far more here than meets the eye. The things we see now are here today, gone tomorrow. But the things we can't see now will last forever."

II Corinthians 4:16-18 MSG

I was recently praying, reading and spending time with the Lord and came across these verses. It struck a chord with me. It seems often the days are one difficulty after another. Disappointments, failures, and struggles. A fellow missionary mentioned that it's almost like we have to "fight" to live here. How true! But to be truly honest with you, I would not do anything else. Terry has often spoken of how stubborn I am and that is true, but it's more than just stubbornness or determination. I know without a doubt that on the inside He is making new life and daily His grace unfolds before me. As I read recently, "I am blessed, God is present and involved in my life directing all my affairs for a divine purpose." So, when the power breaks down for the tenth time and there is no water to haul and you have a flat tire and you go to the key shop for the fourth time to get the key made you need and you eat rice for a week so

twenty new disciple-makers can be trained and the laborer says for the sixth time he's going to fill in those places with blocks so you can move into the studio, and you fall into bed at night exhausted from the dust and the heat and the disappointments, there is peace. God is in control. He has a plan. He is faithful, my job is not the results, my job is obedience. We've learned in disciple making movements that the DNA is obedience - Radical, Immediate, Costly

Obedience. I'm working on that. May God continue to teach me all that I need because I'm looking forward to the things that we can't see now that will last forever.

Thank you for standing with us. Encouraging us, loving us, supporting us financially and prayerfully. We are truly blessed and we can't do this without you.

Amy

THE SECURITY TEAM



LAZARUS



KONLAN



YAHAYA



LUCKY



LADY, LILY, BUCKEY



SASHA

MAKING DISCIPLES: TAKING THE LAND FOR THE KING



"They strengthened the souls of the disciples and encouraged them to continue in the faith, saying, 'We must enter the kingdom of God through many persecutions.'"

— Acts 14:22

SINCE JUNE 2014

TOTAL # GROUPS:	155
TOTAL # DISCIPLES:	1064
TOTAL # BAPTISMS	474
TOTAL # KEY LEADERS:	5

THE NUMBERS - February '16

ACT #	BALANCE JAN 2016	\$16,254.04
	FEBRUARY DONATIONS	\$7,437.00
220	CONFERENCE/ CLASSES	\$258.86
300	CHR ED: PRINTED MAT'L	\$1.22
310	CHR ED MEDIA	\$202.70
320	CHR ED HOSPITALITY	\$37.84
435-7	PERM CTR	\$322.97
435-10	RECORDING PROJECT	\$3,873.78
450	COMPASSION	\$318.92
490	NAT'L CO-WORKERS	\$1,304.96
600	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$325.68
661	INTERNET	\$208.65
800	TRAVEL DIESEL	\$246.49
806	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$164.09
810	TRAVEL MEALS	\$463.80
820	TRAVEL TOLLS	\$4.59
830	TRAVEL LODGING	\$346.11
840	TRAVEL FEES	\$12.08
920	BANKING FEES	\$50.61
930	MISSION HOUSE	\$11,029.73
	FEBRUARY EXPENSES	\$19,173.09
	BALANCE FEB 2016	\$4,517.96

THE NUMBERS - March '16

ACT #	BALANCE FEB 2016	\$4,517.96
	MARCH DONATIONS	\$7,257.50
	PERSONAL DONATIONS	\$20,000.00
300	CHR ED PRINTED MAT'LS	\$160.15
410	EVANGELISM: AUDIO VISUAL	\$153.95
435-7	PERM CTR	\$2,714.04
435-10	RECORDING PROJECT	\$8,841.58
450	COMPASSION	\$44.74
490	NAT'L CO-WORKERS	\$1,078.95
500	POSTAGE	\$13.78
600	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$9.99
661	INTERNET	\$215.79
800	TRAVEL DIESEL	\$381.88
810	TRAVEL FOOD	\$26.91
820	TRAVEL TOLLS	\$10.26
830	TRAVEL LODGING	\$205.53
840	TRAVEL FEES	\$42.11
930	MISSION HOUSE	\$7,771.37
	MARCH EXPENSES	\$21,671.02
	BALANCE MAR 2016	\$8,154.43

THE NUMBERS - April '16

ACT #	BALANCE MAR 2015	\$8,154.43
	APRIL DONATIONS	\$6,420.00
	PERSONAL DONATIONS	\$10,200.00
220	CONFERENCE: CITY TEAM TRAINING	\$134.21
320	CHR ED: HOSPITALITY	\$28.95
435-10	RECORDING PROJECT	\$613.29
450	COMPASSION	\$15.26
490	NATIONAL CO-WORKERS	\$934.21
600	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$123.29
800	TRAVEL DIESEL	\$132.24
806	TRUCK MAINTENANCE	\$171.49
840	TRAVEL FEES	\$231.30
930	MISSION HOUSE	\$1,019.75
	APRIL EXPENSES	\$3,403.98
	BALANCE APR 2016	\$21,370.45



Visiting team from two of Bobby and Mandy's supporting churches.



PRAYER

Praise God for....

1. ...the great time in USA for Jon & Jessi's wedding
2. ...completion of ALL 4 moves (Buipe & Tamale Bungalows, Grahams to Perm Ctr & the new studio)
3. ...a healthy team
4. ...Diallo Bukary joining DMM team
5. ...43 new baptisms in March
6. ...38 new baptisms in April
7. ...CityTeam's wonderful training
8. ...new truck, can't praise God enough for it
9. ...beginning to use new studio spaces
10. ...community development projects in villages
11. ...Bobby's successful CHE training in Accra
12. ...Perm Ctr working borehole
13. ...Moses & Hezekiah's studio work. They are such a blessing
14. ...Perm Ctr borehole is producing small

Request God for...

1. ...Jon & Jessi's new marriage
2. ...short term team from Kansas' visit
3. ...new believers to be God-honoring, multiplying disciples
4. ...Isaac, Moses, Joshua, Diallo, Abu - DMM leaders
5. ...video training May 9-14 by Mark Allen, GNPI
6. ...Grahams' preparations for home stay Jun-Dec
7. ...recording projects - OT, story sets, Jesus Film, etc.
8. ...audio tool production to reach many
9. ...3 Kairos introductions next week to cast vision for course in Wa, Damango & Salaga
10. ...final preparations Odle family to come last week June
11. ...rains to come, preparation & planting for abundant crops
12. ...Gloria (Graham house helper) & children as they grieve loss of husband & father
13. ...Moses & Akose's marriage needs your prayers



FROM THE PRESIDENT

Would you consider becoming a headhunter for us please? The world seems more mixed up than ever. We have Good News that could truly help make a difference, both short-term and long-. But to make a truly global difference, we need more workers. All kinds. We love short-termers. But what REALLY energizes us are the people willing to give at least a tithe of their working career (e.g., 5 years?). If you find such a soul, simply direct him or her to www.TeamExpansion.org/contact-us, or give him or her our number (800-447-0800) or email info@TeamExpansion.org. We'll do our best to be supportive, friendly, and resourceful. For example, know a teacher who might serve overseas for a few years? Check out www.TeamExpansion.org/openings for this and other job openings. So please pray for harvesters. We need workers. You know people. Your friends could very well end up helping your favorite Team Expansion worker. Thanks for your partnership!

Doug

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c/o Northside Christian Church
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