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PRAYER WEEKEND - APRIL 17-18

by Doug Lucas, Founder and President, Team Expansion

If I asked you, “When’s the last time you gathered with a group to pray for 60 minutes straight,” how would you answer? What if I said just 30 minutes? Or 15? The Bureau of Labor Statistics did a study last year on the amount of time we Americans spend on a variety of activities, by state. It makes for interesting reading.* TV time per day varied by state between 2 hours and 3 hours 38 minutes. Leisure activities averaged between 4 1/2 hours and 6 hours per day. Time spent doing all religious activities (prayer being one of them) hovered between 2 minutes and 17 minutes per day.

We apparently don’t pray that much.

Yet Paul commands us to pray “without stopping.” And Jesus asked us to pray for harvesters for those who were harassed and helpless. No wonder there are still so many unreached people groups. Would you like to completely skew the Bureau

of Labor Stats’ study? It’s easy. Decide today to visit www.PrayerWeekend.com, register, and take part in our next Prayer Weekend here at Emerald Hills, April 17-18. You’ll be glad, but unreached peoples will be even more excited, since, because of your prayers, God will make sweeping changes throughout the unreached world. Either way, you’ll get the tools you need to remain consistent in your prayer life. A prayer journal, along with instructions on how to use it, will be given to each participant. Participants will also learn about prayer-walking, spiritual warfare, and prayer initiatives throughout the country. Please visit the site and learn more today.



**You can read the Bureau of Labor Statistics study via the website at <http://www.bls.gov/tus/>, or see a Washington Post article summarizing the study at <http://wapo.st/1npEAWT>.*

FIELD HIGHLIGHT Southeast Asia

by workers serving in Southeast Asia

Mrs. Queen is a new believer in a very strict, very dangerous Muslim nation. Recently, neighbors asked her if she was a follower of the Messiah. When she confirmed their suspicions, the village leader came, searched her house, and found a Bible. His demands were clear: reconvert to Islam or leave the village.

She had three children to consider. Where would they go if they had to leave their home? Life would be so much easier if she just returned to Islam. But that was not an option.

Though her faith was new, her commitment to Christ was unwavering. She refused to recant, and her family was driven from their home.

Mrs. Queen is currently in the care of a family in another city. She has no worldly possessions, no job, no school for her children, and no permanent home yet. Despite the upheaval, Mrs. Queen has eternal security and a hope beyond her present troubles.

Please pray for this newborn follower, her three children, the family she is living with, and new adjustments. Praise God she held to her confession of the Messiah!



FINANCIAL UPDATE

January 2015

Unleashed: Extraordinary Prayer for the Harvest

April 17 (6 - 9 pm) & April 18 (8 am - 4:30 pm)

SPEAKERS

- Doug Lucas, President of Team Expansion
- Gary Cornwell, Minister at Hazelwood Chr Ch, Indiana
- Betty Byrd, Vice President of Prayer, Operations and Personnel at Team Expansion
- Paul and Tammy Rogers, Elder & Prayer Leader at Brownstown Christian Church, Indiana

Register at www.PrayerWeekend.com
 Cost is \$70 (includes meals & material)

PRAY WITH US

- Pray that the Good News concerning the love of God might spread rapidly throughout the whole world. Praise God for opportunities God puts in place to survey new fields and visit existing works for encouragement and training. Thank God for orchestrating a successful journey by a team comprised of four Team Expansion workers and three ladies from a partnering church in Illinois to a Muslim country in West Africa this month. Ask God to continue to open doors to spark a church planting movement among many unreached people groups in this country.
- Ask God to grant wisdom to Team Expansion's board of directors, the Leadership Task Force, as they convene at Emerald Hills for their annual meeting to review field and financial reports from the past year, pray, and plot direction for the coming months and years.
- Please pray for the April prayer retreat, titled "Unleashed: Extraordinary Prayer for the Harvest," to be hosted at Emerald Hills, April 17-18. Pray that this retreat will make an impact on God's Kingdom and on the 50 people who will attend. Ask God to raise up the people He wants to come.
- Ask that God will provide for the current facility at Emerald Hills to be completely paid off and for the next phase of development to be funded in order to provide housing, training, and missionary kid space.

International Services	
Balance 01-01-15	\$224,579.01
Receipts	\$193,485.76
Transfer in from Reserve	\$200,000.00
Expenses	\$49,334.77
Designated Funds	\$541,230.04
Balance 01-31-15	\$27,499.96
Balance owed to First Cap Bank: \$1.13 million	
\$100,700 in Operational Reserve Fund	
\$440,530.04 in Five Loaves Fund	
RECEIPTS	International Services
Andover Christian Church	350.00
Application Fee	140.00
Center Pointe Christian Church	375.00
Coastal Community Christian Church	150.00
College Heights Christian Church	100.00
Crossroads Christian Church, IN	12,500.00
Fern Creek Christian Church	400.00
First Christian Church, Brazil	100.00
Hikes Point Christian	13.00
Indian Creek Christian Church, Indianapol	500.00
Individuals (22)	23,041.87
Kairos	460.00
Lake Eufaula Christian Church	195.00
Launch	150.00
Leadership Fee	15,000.00
Northwest Christian Church	200.00
Team Expansion (Workers, 120)	68,823.91
Transfer from Emerald Hills Reserve	40,000.00
Transfer from Emerald Hills Reserve	10,836.98
Verona Fund	20,000.00
Wilmington Church of Christ	150.00
TOTAL	\$193,485.76
EXPENSES	International Services
Education	1,667.17
Postage	784.66
Office	19,210.81
Promotion/Representation	25,400.00
Banking Fee	2,272.13
TOTAL	\$49,334.77