

LAUGHTER, LOVE, AND LOSS

by Doug Lucas, Team Expansion President

As I write this piece for the Visionary, I can hear through my wall a couple of dozen team members cheering on our new missionary candidates as they participate in another training exercise out in the atrium. It's "Launch" time again here at Emerald Hills, which signals the arrival and training of new workers headed to places that most intelligent souls wouldn't dare to tread. In spite of being sobered by the realities of the challenge, these workers seem nearly jubilant to step out on faith and trust God not only to care for them in the journey, but to help them raise funds to make it possible. Personally, I'm always sobered more by the faith of the workers than I am by the danger in the work. Either way, it's always inspiring to see the bond of love that develops between our trainers and our new workers. Love it.

Of course, I can't deny the fact that taking the Gospel globally can be difficult. Last month, we mourned as we helped bury a newborn infant, who was lost to a fatal ailment that developed during pregnancy. Several of our global team members are fighting cancer. But in all of this, we truly rejoice for the chance just to serve our King - and you, the partners who make this work possible. Thank you for your enduring friendship, love, and partnership!

Thank you to those who gave:

In Memory of Ruby Rash

Janet Sparkman
Jerry and Nancy Gastineau
Michael and Katherine Wilfong
Charles Richison
William Rash
Paul and Linda Rash
Roy and Sheila True
W Thomas and Beverly Beckner

In Memory of Virginia Tapp

Mitchell and Bernetta Trainor Suzanne Kiser Carol Phillips Jim and Linda Hall

FIELD HIGHLIGHT: TAIWAN

by John and Cheryl Dunn

At the annual Sports & English camp in Taiwan, there were seven people who made decisions to follow Jesus. Two were able to be baptized at camp. Others went home to discuss this decision further with their parents. Pray that those who have made these decisions will be faithful to them.

This year much of the camp was designed to teach the campers what they need to do as a disciple of Christ, which included leading a small group of their peers. More than 60 campers committed to trying to begin a small group in their home, neighborhood, school, or other area. The missionaries

have committed to continue to equip the students throughout the year. This will happen in many ways, including resources online and with personal visits. Pray that these young people will not lose heart at the face of opposition.







*The shelter above is the Cecil Byrd Memorial Shelter. No picture is available for this shelter as it has not yet been constructed yet.

PRAYER SHELTER SPOTLIGHT MORRISTOWN F

Being a mission-minded congregation, one of the ladies of First Christian Church in Morristown, Tenn. felt that they could certainly be a Project 29 partner and petitioned God earnestly. After much prayer, encouragement from a presentation by Team Expansion's president, and the vision of the missions chairman, the church joined in partnership with Team Expansion to plant churches among the unreached people groups worldwide. The church is recognized as a praying church, and one that is uncommonly hospitable to all who visit.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for good fruit from the five weeks of training at Emerald Hills. Pre-field/orientation training took place the last two weeks in July for four adults hoping to depart for fields of service in the coming year. Kairos training is schedule for July 29-August 2, followed by two weeks of Jonathan Training.
- Pray that God would provide the means to completely eradicate the outstanding debt on the Prayer Center and Atrium and move on to Phase 2 of expanding the campus so that even more participants can be accommodated in a training wing and housing unit.
- Pray that Emerald Hills will always be used to glorify God through prayer for the nations and training for go-ers, pray-ers, and senders.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

JUNE 2013

	Emerald Hills Fund
Balance 06-01-13	\$15,740.34
June Receipts	\$15,083.67
June Expenses	\$24,109.73
Balance 06-30-13	\$6,714.28 [*]

^{*}Balance owed to First Cap Bank: \$1.28 million

Receipts

Total	\$15,083.67
Pathways	\$150.00
Kroger Inc	\$207.67
Individuals	\$11,950.00
Heritage Christian Church	\$100.00
Freetown Church of Christ	\$792.00
Fern Creek Christian Church	\$400.00
College Heights Christian Church	\$100.00
Coastal Community Christian Church	\$250.00
Center Pointe Christian Church	\$375.00
Andover Christian Church	\$759.00
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Expenses

Banking Fee	\$10.00
Front Lighting	\$44.18
Fuel	\$368.56
Louisville Water Co.	\$80.09
Misc	\$297.81
Mortgage	\$8,123.88
Mower Parts	\$203.84
Penrod Fence Boards	\$369.20
Principal	\$14,118.00
Service Call To The Barn	\$385.00
Stain	\$13.77
Tools	\$95.40

*In addition to the balances noted above, we have set aside \$170,000.00 in a fund that ensures even billing of our mortgage payments (\$8200/month), as well as Maintenance and Upkeep.

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Total