

The Visionary



TEAM LEADERS ON DECK

by Doug Lucas, Team Expansion President

Every two years, we stage one of the most important conferences for our organization. We bring all our team leaders together from around the globe. We seek to encourage them, edify, exhort, and even excite them. We provide resources, along with an opportunity to share "shop talk." This meeting is like no other. They can travel to all the big name churches for branded seminars about evangelism or discipleship, but the one thing they can get in the Team Leader Summit, that they can't get anywhere else, is a unique network of other leaders who do exactly what they do: forge ahead in the face of insurmountable

odds to launch a movement that only God can create - a church-planting movement. These are our organization's top leaders and when they speak, both to each other as well as to us, everybody listens.

Please pray for the meeting from November 5-9. Ask God to refuel them for the future and ask that International Services takes away the insights we're supposed to gain too. These meetings take place at Emerald Hills, in part, because Emerald Hills is our "home base." Please ask God to bless everyone involved.

FIELD HIGHLIGHT: CINCINNATI

by Chloe Glenn

This year I went with our high school students to Whitewater Christian Service Camp, seven girls and six boys. For four of them, this was their first time at camp.

It was really cool to watch all of our kids from State blend in and become friends with everyone. Malik, a 17-year-old guy said, "Everyone is so friendly here. It's peaceful. I can actually relax."

For many of our kids this place is one of the only places they can let their guard down and not worry about the violence on the street or at home.

The theme this year was "Kingdom" and focused on the life of King David. I could see God working in each of their hearts as they talked about the giants they face in life. One student said to me on Tuesday, "I have been changed in just two days. I have so much more joy."

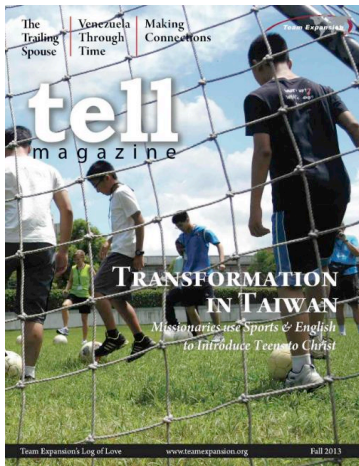
There were three college camp teams helping that week. Our students got to hear about each of those Christian universities and it got them thinking about their future.

One boy actually received a one semester scholarship to Ozark

Christian College while at camp! A few of them talked to me at camp about how they want to have careers that help people and make a positive difference.

This is possible for them if they continue to work hard and stay focused.

I know God has great things planned for each of them. I am excited to see how God is going to continue to work in these students' lives. Please pray with me that they will stay open to listening to His still small voice. Please pray with me that they will stay open to listening to His still small voice.



The 2013 tell Magazine is out!

The 2013 issue of Team Expansion's annual publication, the tell, is now available in print and online.

This year's issue features Sports & English camp in Taiwan. There are also articles about a prayer campaign in Eastern Europe, being a "trailing spouse," effective short-term trips, Permaculture, Venezuela, and more!

Read it online at www.teamexpansion.org/tell or email creativearts@teamexpansion.org to request a copy.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Ask God to bless planning and preparation for the Team Leader Summit to be held at Emerald Hills the first week of November. Pray for 70+ participants traveling from points around the world to attend. Ask God to speak through those who will be leading sessions during this Tuesday evening through Saturday noon event.
- Final preparations are also being made at Emerald Hills for Team Expansion's participation in the International Conference on Missions to be held in Kansas City November 14-17. Pray for those involved in working out details for set up and representation at the Team Expansion and the Wall of Unreached Peoples.
- 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 Emerald Hills 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 SEPTEMBER 2013

Emerald Hills Fund

Balance 09-01-13	\$23,167.90
September Receipts	\$21,904.26
September Expenses	\$9,255.11
Balance 08-30-13	\$35,817.05*

*Balance owed to First Cap Bank: \$1.28 million, \$170,000 in Maintenance Endowment

Receipts

College Heights Christian Church	\$100.00
Lake Eufaula Christian Church	\$174.00
First Christian Church, Sullivan	\$200.00
Northwest Ave. Church of Christ	\$200.00
Coastal Community Christian Church	\$250.00
Fern Creek Christian Church	\$400.00
Indian Creek Christian Church, IN	\$500.00
Shively Christian Church	\$750.00
Andover Christian Church	\$875.00
Team Expansion (Wingate)	\$1,210.56
Eastview Christian Church	\$5,000.00
Individuals	\$12,244.70
Total	\$21,904.26

Expenses

Banking Fee	\$10.00
Equipment Maintenance	\$398.19
Fuel	\$489.10
Shelf	\$233.94
Mortgage	\$8,123.88
Total	\$9,255.11

*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 (\$8,200/month), as well as Maintenance and Upkeep.