

The Visionary



"MOMMY, DADDY, WE'RE HOME!"

by Doug Lucas, Team Expansion President

Last month we mentioned that Team Expansion's team leaders were on deck to visit Emerald Hills. Every other year since 1997, we've stage a Team Leader Summit. This year's event was especially poignant, because several team leaders have now gotten into a rhythm of visiting Emerald Hills, not only for trainings and refueling, but also for get-togethers like this one, where they strategize about how to finish the task of reaching the world's remaining unreached peoples.

One family shared, as they turned into the drive to enter Emerald Hills, their kids (fresh back from overseas) shouted, "Mommy, Daddy, We're home!" Both parents later told us their eyes misted because they realized that, with all the crazy travel schedules, they hadn't really noticed that their kids didn't have a perception of the

meaning of home until they saw Emerald Hills. To them, it was the closest thing to home that they know.



Thank you for helping us build a dream here - a staging center allowing for teams to be recruited, selected, trained, and sent out to the least reached peoples of the world. Please pray for our team members this week as we begin the global strategic planning process for 2014. Thanks again for your partnership.

SPECIAL FIELD HIGHLIGHT: PHILIPPINES

by Carla Williams

In the Philippines, a 7.2 earthquake followed shortly by a record-breaking typhoon this month has cost thousands their lives, and more than 9 million people have been affected by the destruction. Team Expansion workers, the Propps, operate an orphanage called Village of Hope in Bohol. While sorting through their own extensive damage and clean-up, the Propps are also equipping and leading teams to reach into the most devastated parts of the Philippines.

Thankfully, IDES has granted \$50,000 for earthquake and typhoon relief, but more is certainly needed. If anyone would like to contribute toward their efforts, donations can be made through Team Expansion's website, www.teamexpansion.org/give (Enter "Propps/relief work" on the missionary/project line).

Please continue praying for the Philippines, the Propps, and all those who are affected by this tragedy.



TOP 10 WISH LIST

In addition to the funds* needed for aRefuge housing, Phase 2, and many personnel needs at International Services, there are items we could really use to help International Services work and serve more effectively at Emerald Hills.

TOP 10 (in no particular order):

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| 1. New Gator | \$400 |
| 2. 3 Loads of Gravel | \$400 |
| 3. 2 GB Layer 3 Edge Switches
and wireless units | \$11,000 |
| 4. Mobilization Travel Expense Grants | \$200 each |
| 5. 360 iStock credits | \$545 |
| 6. Nikon AF-S Nikkor 70-200mm Lens | \$2400 |
| 7. Nikon AF-S Nikkor 24-70mm Lens | \$1900 |
| 8. Nikon SB-700 AF Flash | \$350 |
| 9. Studio Lights/Background Kit | \$600 |
| 10. Crisis/Extraction Training Videos | \$500 |

Give online at www.teamexpansion.org/give and enter the item on the missionary/project line.

*You can also donate toward aRefuge, our debt, Phase 2, general fund, or any team/missionary by entering the Missionary or Project on that same line.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Praise God for blessing all of the planning and preparation for the Team Leader Summit (TLS) and the International Conference on Missions (ICOM), two big events in November. Thank God for the 70+ participants who traveled safely around the world to attend TLS and thousands who traveled to ICOM.
- Thank God that the Global Prayercast during a main session of ICOM went off without a hitch! Pray that all who participated will have a growing desire to pray for the work of God all over the world. May His Kingdom come!
- Ask 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 OCTOBER 2013

Emerald Hills Fund

Balance 10-01-13	\$35,817.05
October Receipts	\$20,639.00
October Expenses	\$21,292.96
Balance 10-31-13	\$35,163.09*

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

Receipts

Individuals	\$1,415.00
Andover Christian Church	\$368.00
Center Pointe Christian Church	\$375.00
College Heights Christian Church	\$100.00
Crossroads Christian Church	\$1,350.00
Crossroads Christian Church, IN	\$12,500.00
Fern Creek Christian Church	\$400.00
First Christian Church, Sullivan	\$400.00
Freetown Church of Christ	\$2,491.00
Heritage Christian Church	\$100.00
Indian Creek Christian Church, Indy	\$500.00
Lake Eufaula Christian Church	\$240.00
Northwest Christian Church	\$200.00
Spencer Christian Church	\$200.00
Total	\$20,639.00

Expenses

Banking Fee	\$10.00
Project 29 Gazebos	\$9,937.50
Enlarge the Harvest Offering	\$2,950.00
Emerald Hills Sign	\$165.00
Misc	\$106.58
Mortgage	\$8,123.88
Total	\$21,292.96

*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.

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