

East White Oak MISSIONS

“...Making Him Known”



EWO Colombia Team 2009

“Continue *earnestly in prayer*...praying for us, that God would *open to us a door for the Word*, to speak the mystery of Christ...” Colossians 4:2-3



• Kenya Kwa Yesu

The Kenya team is excited to bring the love of Christ to Africa this month. The trip will begin at Pwani Bible Institute, Mombasa working with students in Muslim ministries. Then on to Marimani village to live, eat, work, and worship Christ in Rabai homes. They will continue to Kijabe to visit EWO missionaries Doug & Lisa Orner at Rift Valley Academy. Round out the trip in Nairobi with Monica Muoki (former student of the Nodens) and husband Daniel serving 200 youth in their church. Whew!



• Prayer Requests

Mombasa | June 3-10

- Pray for team to be have open eyes, ears, hearts as they connect and minister with students in Muslim ministries.
- Pray as team members prepare and deliver workshops and chapel messages.
- Pray for boldness as they share their faith in the Muslim context.

Rabai | June 10-14

- Pray for sensibilities to manage in the context of village life.
- Pray for ministry in the village with Pastor Sululu and congregation.

Kijabe/Nairobi | June 15-21

- Pray for the team to encourage Doug & Lisa at RVA (Martha McNair's Alma Mater).
- Pray for ministry opportunities with youth and church in Nairobi.

A team schedule is available at www.ewo.org.



Thank you EWO for holding us up in prayer!

Chuck, Debbie & Jake Van Hoorn | Steve & Martha McNair | David & Darlene Noden | Carole Halcomb



Laurie (right) with ISU Campus Crusade staff, Andrea

• Ministry Focus

Through Campus Crusade for Christ, Laurie has been working with 30 schools in Central Illinois since 2002 and is active here at East White Oak. This summer, Laurie is Associate Project Director for the CCC Virginia Beach Summer Project. The 76 students and 32 staff will take the gospel to the many vacationers, international students, and college workers that flood VA Beach. This intense atmosphere forces growth in Christ at every level. When Laurie returns to us in July, her students will continue the work until August 12. During this time, Laurie prepares for another year of leading CCC here in Central Illinois while mentoring the project long distance.

• Prayer Requests

VA Beach Project

- Praise God for the number of Students and Staff in this effort (6 from ISU).
- Pray for boldness and skill in sharing their faith.
- Pray for Laurie as she develops 5-6 staff women in context.

Campuses

- Pray for continued wisdom and strength as Laurie and the rest of CCC staff try to build campus outreach into many schools without any ministry.
- Pray for this next year's volunteers/staff to be strong in the Lord as they disciple students in Christ.

Personal

- Praise God for developing Laurie into a strong leader for Christ.
- Pray that Laurie will be refreshed in Christ this summer.
- Pray for a summer of leaning on God for wisdom/power.



Staff and students involved in this year's project at Virginia Beach.





• Ministry Focus

Ever wonder how you can improve your marriage? Family? Finances? Family Life started in 1976 to tackle these questions. Gary and Cindy Blunier (See Nov. 2008 Prayer Guide) left Eureka, Illinois 15 years ago to join the effort. Today they oversee recruitment evaluation, internal position transfers, and staff resourcing for all of FamilyLife. In a time of uncertainty, Gary and Cindy wear a great deal of the stresses and blessings of leading the effort to streamline the organization's resources. For fun? Gary works on cars as a ministry to those in need around him.



EWO (Spring '09) helped build ministry garage

• Prayer Requests

FamilyLife

- Pray for FamilyLife staff to remain strong (Gary and Cindy's Dept. lost half its staff this year).
- Praise God for doubling ministry recruiting efforts in spite of cut backs.
- Pray that God will use the uncertainty in the U.S. to refocus families on Christ.

Personal

- Praise God for the teams that worked to help build the ministry garage.
- Pray for swift closure to garage project and restart of "car" ministry in July.

Family

- Praise God for Gary's Friday breakfasts with the men who love his daughters. This is a rich time of family growth that is rare in this culture.
- Please pray that their entire family (3 married daughters/1 engaged daughter/5 grandchildren) will order their lives around Christ.
- Praise God for visit with Chris and Jenny (daughter/son-in-law) who live in England.

Prayer

“...that whenever I open
my mouth, words may
be given me
**so that I will
fearlessly make
known the
mystery of the
Gospel.”**
Ephesians 6:19

