

East White Oak MISSIONS



“...Making Him Known”



Eric Herbst, EWO Short Term trip to Colombia in February 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



• Ministry Focus

Since 1917, Home Sweet Home Mission has helped tens of thousands of people through its programs and services. HSHM offers 3 meals/day to residents at the shelter and 2/day for non-residents. HSHM offers shelter, counseling, referrals, and basic life skills training for people in need. Threshold, HSHM's Bible-based addiction recovery program (typically 12 months), provides teaching, counseling, and job search assistance in the context of knowing Christ. Hearts with Hope ministers to over 150 children every year. Pre-school and parenting classes for little ones and tutoring, mentorship and fun activities for kids up to 18 years are attempts to break generational homelessness.



• Prayer Requests

Threshold

- Praise God for broken lives that have been restored.
- Pray for students as they try to break addictions.
- Pray for Bible studies and other classes to transform minds.

Residents

- Pray for children to know Christ and break cycles of dependence.
- Pray for volunteers to help with teaching pre-school. (see www.hshministries.org for ways to get involved)
- Pray especially for mothers in the shelter this Mother's Day.



Food Services/Mission Mart

- Pray for donations and volunteers to meet the many needs.
- Pray that Christ will be seen in the love shown each day.



• Ministry Focus

After a short-term missions trip to the Ukraine, Todd Morr was infused with passion to minister to the young leaders in Eastern European churches. "God decided that missions was for me!" Todd said. "When I graduated from Moody Bible Institute in 1992, I thought I would be a youth pastor in the United States. The call to work with youth ministry came first, and then God directed that passion toward Eastern Europe." Todd and Hannah, along with their children, work with Josiah Venture, which ministers in 11 former Communist countries. Only 2–5% of the population in these countries is evangelical. The Morrs recently re-located to Tacoma, Washington. They are working with a church planting network called Acts 29 in order to develop a church planting component in the Josiah Venture ministries for Eastern Europe. "There is a great need for many healthy, reproducing churches to be planted," Todd said. "We are praying that God would raise up 1,000 church planters in Eastern Europe to plant 1,000 healthy, reproducing churches within the next 15 years."

• Prayer Requests

Ministry

- Pray for wisdom as they develop the foundational steps of a church planting movement in Eastern Europe.
- Pray that God would raise up 1,000 church planters in Eastern Europe within the next 15 years.

Family

- Praise God for their growing family: Elijah, Ella, and their newest daughter, Noelle (3 months).
- Pray that the family would quickly adjust to the United States after living in Eastern Europe for many years.
- Pray for them to develop healthy relationships within their church and with their non-Christian neighbors.



Ministry with Josiah Venture



Wild at Heart boot camp in Colorado

• Ministry Focus

David and Darlene Noden have been a part of EWO since 1963 (after Moody and Wheaton). While attending EWO, they worked in youth ministry and started a college ministry. In 1967 they joined AIM and spent 20 years in Africa teaching in national schools and at Rift Valley Academy and 20 years stateside working with AIM candidates and leading short term teams to Africa. They are currently spending their retirement advising new missionaries in raising support. As EWO Mission Team members, David and Darlene will lead a team of eight to Kenya June 1-22.



Counseling those interested in missions

• Prayer Requests

Kenya Trip

- Pray that the team will gain a true perception of Muslim ministry while at Pwani Bible Institute.
- Pray that their involvement in the Bible school at Mombasa would be worked out and that the gifts of the team members would be well-utilized.
- Pray for the health/safety of the team and relationships with nationals.
- Pray that they can be an encouragement to EWO missionaries, Doug & Lisa Orner.

Mentoring

- Pray that more young people will commit themselves to international Christian service.
- Pray that David & Darlene would have wisdom in guiding new missionaries.

Family

- Praise for time spent with Bruce, Myra, Anna and Ethan here in Bloomington/Normal.
- Pray for Darlene's broken ankle to heal completely.



Ministry in Madagascar



• Ministry Focus

With one billion people, India can boast of a growing economy, abundant resources and a rich history. The other story: people trapped in poverty & illiteracy. The caste system still holds sway while millions of women and children are victims of human trafficking and sexual slavery. Truth is compromised for tradition, occult practices, or syncretism. Church Leadership, through its local Church Plants & Bible Institute as well as two Children's Care Homes are Charasia's response - bringing Christ to this darkness. Ralph Borde, President of Charasia, has the long term goal of raising the next generation of leaders who are passionate about influencing and impacting South Asia for the glory of God.

• Prayer Requests

Church Leadership

- Praise God for the 16th graduation of Charasia's Bible Institute.
- Praise God for staff and pastors passionate about Truth.
- Pray for growth in collaboration between the Bible Institute and local churches to raise strong leaders.
- Pray for pastors to develop a greater depth of Biblical Truth and Spiritual Vitality.
- Pray for church leaders/members to mature in their faith, reflecting Christ to their communities.



Charasia Pastors' Conference



Orphan Care

- Praise God for loving staff at Grace and Faith Homes, caring for children from 6 months – 3 years old.
- Pray for sponsors of children.
(visit news@charasia.org for online prayer calendar)
- Pray for development of Discipleship programs for Staff and Children.

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

