

World Wide Financial Needs

Liberia: Anna Enoch Orphanage land opportunity

Liberia: Richard Myers & family - robbed

Liberia: Mike Foday - truck stolen

India: Uday- motor cycle

India: Uday- laptop

Ivory Coast: Kouame Adjoumani - laptop

Haiti: Jesus Loves Me Home - Closets needed

(Government is requiring)\$1000 US

Haiti: Jesus Loves Me Home - College Fund

Haiti: Jesus Loves Me Home - Support (we recently

lost significant monthly support)

Church buildings in many countries

Native evangelist sponsors (we have lost sponsors

for 4 evangelists)

Bibles



Immersion in 2011

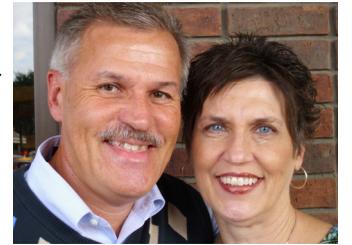
4,524 have been immersed into Christ during 2011. White Fields world wide ministries now assists 377 native evangelists in 33 different nations. These evangelists, along with our American and Australian team members, report 4,524 souls immersed into Christ for the remission of sins in January. It is a great victory and we give all praise to God. Thank God for His victory and for the souls won to Christ through the power of His gospel.



May 1, 2011

St Martin... Visiting A Maturing Church

One of my early priorities as the new Director of White Fields is to communicate and meet with our native evangelists. They have been dealing with Reggie Thomas for years. Change is an uncomfortable thing for many people, so naturally they are anxious about White Fields' change in leadership.



Reggie and I determined that St. Martin would be an important place for me to begin. This was my first trip anywhere in the Caribbean.

This church was planted in 1991. It is part of the White Fields 'Haitian Connection.' A young man who grew up across the street from Mapou Christian Orphanage and was baptized during a revival meeting preached by Reggie in 1978 moved to St. Martin in 1990. He began doing the leg-work necessary to launch a new church: gathering a core group and inviting Reggie to come and help launch the church. About a dozen Haitian immigrants met in the home of Paul Vanius on February 23, 1991 to participate in the Lord's Supper together. From that point on various White Fields associates came to preach evangelistic crusades and to help build a church building. The Church of Christ of the New Jerusalem [translated from French] has continued to grow and to be faithful. They have deeply appreciated the fellowship and leadership provided by White Fields.

Paul Vanius is now in Paris, France (see the next article). He still assists the elders in St. Martin with encouragement and advice. Elders and other capable men preach and teach each Sunday. They have wonderful musical talent: at least six church singing groups participated in our week of revival, along with many soloists and duets, and five different worship leaders! I observed a church populated with friendly, caring people; well organized, willing to put the needs of church visitors above their own. They regularly care for the poor among them and continue to invite people to worship and serve Jesus.

My task was a lot like the one Paul described in Romans 1:10-12: to come and visit, share spiritual blessings and to be mutually encouraged by our faith in Christ. The leadership in St. Martin scheduled a week of revival meetings based on the theme 'Be holy' from 1 Peter 1:15, 16. I also participated in a "get-to-know-you" meeting with the congregation, worship Sunday morning and evening (I have a video of Sunday night), and finally two nights of



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teaching. [Based on my time with them, I chose: What the Bible says about Marriage and The Importance of Understanding the Word of God]. We baptized a young woman into Christ early Sunday morning.

As I prepared for the trip, I was concerned about 'putting my best foot forward;' very concerned. First impressions



matter. I wanted to have rapport with the people so that we could serve Christ together and so White Fields would still have an impact there. The Lord moved quickly to build rapport between us. Because of my regular visits to the Ivory Coast, Africa, I had invested in learning some French. My knowledge of the language is very nominal, but I have the ability to greet people and to count and to communicate in short phrases. This quickly endeared me to the Christians. They really enjoyed the fact that we could "talk." As my time there progressed, they began feeding me Creole words and phrases; my use of Creole really endeared us. [It has also begun my preparation for an upcoming trip to Haiti].

The Lord used his word, our mutual faith, and my attempts to communicate 'where they live' to build a strong bond between us. I praise the Lord! One of the joys of serving with White Fields is the opportunity to grow to love our Christian family throughout the world.

We had some candid and serious conversations. Conversations about their need to take the next steps toward maturity, depending on the Lord's provision (directly to them, without American 'middlemen') and training the people to tithe. I echoed Reggie's words as I encouraged them to consider planting churches at other locations on the island (population – 80,000). We discussed using their praise team to hold evangelistic crusades – out and away from their church building. We even discussed work on neighboring islands.

Please join me in praying that these faithful brothers and sisters of ours will experience the power and provision of God in their lives in a fresh and exciting way. Pray that they will accept the challenge to step out in evangelism and church planting. They have many young men who I see as up-and-coming church leaders and evangelists. Ask the Lord to lead these brothers to be prepared and encouraged to build Christ's kingdom.

Our goal at White Fields has never been big numbers; instead it has been to see to it that people throughout the world have an opportunity to know the eternal life that Jesus offers. Of course, that begins when we are buried with him and raised to new life. We long for people to mature in Christ, learning to obey him, which includes sharing their faith with others. The church in St. Martin is tracking with that goal.

For Jesus' sake, Tom



“Come Over To Bulgaria And Help Us”

Elena's faithfulness has endeared her to White Fields associates. Her heartfelt cry gripped the heart of Barbara Barger: someone needs to go and help her! Paul saw a man from Macedonia calling for help in his dream [Acts 16:9, 10]. Finally, God was showing them the next step for their mission team.

Barbara read Elena's communication and the Lord directed her to go and help this dear Christian sister. Patsy & Lou Hall have agreed to go and join Barbara to encourage, teach and evangelize Bulgarian people. They long to bring the hope of Jesus to those living in the depths of despair.

“On the Sabbath, we went outside the city gate to the river, where we expected to find a place of prayer. We sat down and began to speak to the women who had gathered there.” [Acts 16:13] As you go on in the chapter, you will be reminded that this outreach to women resulted in the first church planted in Europe - Philippi, Macedonia. Geographically, Bulgaria touches Macedonia. Elena formerly lived in Macedonia. This mission trip is primarily directed at teaching Christ's truth to women. We long for the similarities to culminate in the planting of a New Testament church in Bulgaria.

We need your prayers:

Pray that Barbara and Patsy will develop great rapport with the Bulgarian women who are interested in following Jesus.

Pray that their teaching will fall on good soil. That the women will not only respond with joy, but will retain the word in their hearts after the White Fields team departs. And that these women will teach others about the grace of God and the power of his word.

Most of Lou's work will be covert. Rather than public preaching, he will be frequenting coffee shops and other places where men gather. His desire is to make friends and through that develop opportunities both now and in the future to present the gospel.

Ask the Lord to go before Lou to these places and to prepare a special man (one who understands English and is in good favor with the Bulgarian men) who will be a liaison for the sake of Christ.

As always, seek the Lord for their safety and health and his complete provision for all their needs.

Trip dates: May24– June 3

Thank you for your prayer investment. The combination of your prayers, Elena's faithful witness, and the ministry of Barbara, Patsy and Lou will bring about the powerful effect of Christ's light shining in this dark place.

Barbara Barger, Lou & Patsy Hall Visit Elena

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The following are reports from Elena:

ABOUT HER WORK: We are doing fine. In January Bulgaria had an influenza epidemic, it was terrible, I have never seen in my life so many sick people, 1/3 of Bulgaria was sick. In our family just the children were. I'm meeting with same women and have bible time with them. We meet and I share everything what I pass with Boncho and how God make me free, how God makes so many miracles. The meetings are very exhausted and hard but also very encouraging to see how she is growing in Jesus. {Also, Elena has a very soft, kind heart and helps when she can. Although she does not have much money herself, she will give her last penny to help someone else with complete faith that God will provide for her and the children.} Also Anabela's teacher has asked my mom about our faith and to visit the church. Anabela prays for her. Because the orphanage here is not in the town, it's in one village and there is not a bus to go, I called and talked with one girl. During the summer she got a chance to stay for 1 day in my house and I took to church. She is a gypsy and has had a horrible life. Her father raped her sister and she saw that. She loves to talk with me and listen to my testimony how I become a Christian. We are spending hours on the phone. In Europe union made a statistics that Bulgarian are the most unhappy people in the world and live in deep depression. Even my children ask me why no body smile on the street. I'm trying to teach them that we have to show to this people that there is a hope and Jesus is only way. But sometimes is really hard to pass during those nervous and screaming people. Elena

ABOUT THE SITUATION IN BULGARIA: I'm angry over the system here because they don't give chance to earn normal life for my children. Many women are sleeping with their bosses to keep their job. They just kill our dignity and self worth. Nobody wants to invest in corrupted country. Also they prefer to give work to those under 30 years old and without children. I cannot explain my feelings of I'm 35 years old & a women, I'm not old, I'm in good health, I want to work, I'm not lazy and I look every possibility for work - but until now nothing. A few months ago I worked 1 month in a restaurant but they didn't pay correct. After 3 days work in one hotel they also didn't pay, so I didn't call to continue. When I asked my friends why they are doing this...they say many are doing this, get to work few days don't pay and quit, after that they hire someone else and don't pay them. I'm tired of this corruption, I just want to simply work and support my children - nothing more. Many parents go to work out of Bulgaria and the grandparents take care for the children. Here no one will pay for washing, cleaning, babysit because people don't have money. Most of the children stay alone at home or on the street until their parents come back. I don't know how I can start a business here because mafia guys control whole town. Our church has about 20 people, half of them are retired & receiving about 80 \$ monthly & is not enough for food. Another half is without work.

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When Barbara Barger heard the recent reports from Elena she felt God was leading her to visit Elena and to encourage her. Barbara recruited Lou & Patsy Hall to travel with her. They will go to Bulgaria May 24. We are excited they have this opportunity to go.

From The Christian Church In Paris, France

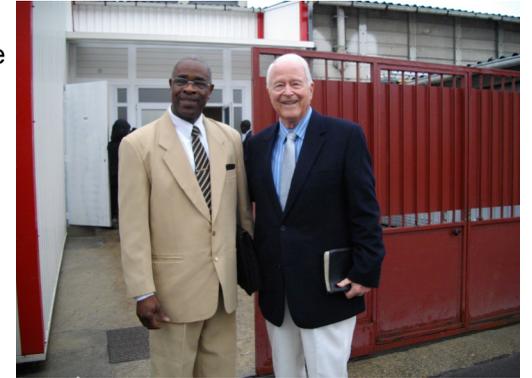
Dear Friends: We had never known of any Christian who had visited France for the purpose of starting the New Testament church in Paris. So we have assumed there was no un-denominational nt church here. Thus after many years of praying and planning we traveled here April 1 for the purpose of starting the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ in Paris.

Our dear friends, Paul and Mary Vanus, with whom we have worked for years in St. Martin had moved here to put their daughter Christian in nursing school. We have been writing to Paul and Mary re: helping to start the church here.

Imagine our surprise when Brother Paul met us at the Charles DeGaulle airport in Paris and drove us to the meeting place for Christians in Paris!!!!!! Yes, they have already started the church and over 500 greeted us and we worshipped with them and observed the Lord's Supper on Sunday morning April 3, 2011. We rejoice and praise God.

More than 500 Haitian Christians have moved to Paris. They all found each other in this large city of millions and they have been gathering as a congregation to worship God and practice Acts 2:42.

They all invited yours truly to bring the message from the Word of God. I tried to encourage them by pointing out that they early Christians in Jerusalem were



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were scattered because of persecution and that they PREACHED THE WORD EVERYWHERE THEY WENT. I pointed out that these Haitians Christians have followed the example of the first church in Jerusalem and encouraged THEM TO EVANGELIZE ALL OF FRANCE.

Paul and Mary Vanius have 2 daughters. They were very little girls when we first started the church in St. Martin. Now they are grown women. Christia is the oldest and she will be married in June. Today Thursday April 7, Christia was our chauffeur and guide as we traveled around Paris. She was such a kind, gracious, host-

ess. She is an excellent driver, and also very knowledgeable about French history. She took us to see Versailles (the beautiful palace where the French Kings and Emperors lived) Christia's fiancé is the choir leader for the Christian church here in Paris. He and Christia have worked very hard for 7 years to purchase a house and prepare for their wedding this June. We are very proud of this young couple who are serving the Lord so faithfully.

Our second mission in France was to visit General Noriego who is in prison in Paris. He served his first prison term in Miami, Florida, where Joe Garman preached the Gospel to him and baptized him into Christ. The General recently wrote to Joe and told him he is still faithful to Jesus but that he has no one to visit him and encourage him here because everyone speaks French. The General only speaks Spanish. So Joe asked me to visit him. Today April 9 we traveled to the large prison and took one of the members of the Christian church with us who speaks Spanish. But alas the prison officials who interviewed us would not allow us to visit. They said their rules require that you write a letter asking permission to visit. Then they will give you an appointment. They said there are no exceptions to this rule. So Brother Paul, our Christian friend from St. Martin who now lives here, will visit the General and the lady from the church will serve as the Spanish interpreter.

We thank God for this great experience of finding Christians at work serving God and pray God's blessings upon them as they evangelize France.

Written by Evangelist Reggie Thomas



The Story of Elena by Lori Darnell

Sometime in 1999 I sat down to check my email. I received an email from a girl named Elena in Bulgaria. At that time, email scams from foreign countries had started to come, so I read her email with a little skepticism at first. But there was something that told me to reply and find out more information. Elena said she had been to Croatia to a small Bible College, graduated, and returned home to Bulgaria. She was working as a paralegal for a Christian lawyer, but she really wanted to work with children in orphanages. After many emails, White Fields sent my husband, Zane, to Bulgaria to visit Elena, visit the children she was working with & see what the prospects were for starting the Christian Church in Bulgaria.



Over the years we have had many plans for Bulgaria and Elena. These plans have mostly been hindered by the Communist beliefs and by the Government regulations. Also after many years of Communist rule and self taught preachers, the churches are not very strong. It is also a belief that although young people were very interested and open to the Gospel, churches are for "old people" and young people should not attend. Elena talked to people and she was able to start working with children at the state run orphanage and she started up Bible studies for her friends and other people in the area.

At that time, Elena reconnected with a young man whom she met in Bible College. His name was Boncho & he was from neighboring Macedonia. They soon married and Elena moved to Macedonia. Elena travelled every month or two back to Strumica Bulgaria to see the children and check on the Bible study groups she had started. She also started a group in her home in Macedonia and started working with people with disabilities at the local hospital/orphanage. She was met with much opposition from Boncho's family, but she kept going and sharing the Gospel when she could. Boncho lost his job and could not find other work. Times were very tough. Their house was so cold there were icicles in the house during the winter. By this time Boncho & Elena had 3 children. Elena finally wrote and told us that she was forced to leave her family and was going to Sweden to become a nanny. We were heartbroken for her.

Little did we know there was a lot more to the story than she was telling us. Elena was not in Sweden very long when she wrote to tell us her devastating news. Boncho had started beating her and he had almost killed her twice. She was scared to death for her children while she was away. She had no where to turn and did not know what to do.

We were able to help her go back to her children. Once home, Boncho came closer than ever to killing her. She took the children during the night and escaped back to Bulgaria and to her mother's house. The people who Elena ministered to surrounded her with love and protection. She was able to gain custody of the children and the few men in the church always go with the children when Boncho visits with them.

Because of her experiences, this has led Elena to a new area of Bulgaria and a new opening in her life. She still wants to work with children at the orphanages but there isn't one close by but she does have phone contact with a few of the older children and they talk almost weekly. Elena has also developed a love for Women's Ministry and helping those women who are hurting.