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Gleanings For The Hungry

A Ministry of Youth With A Mission

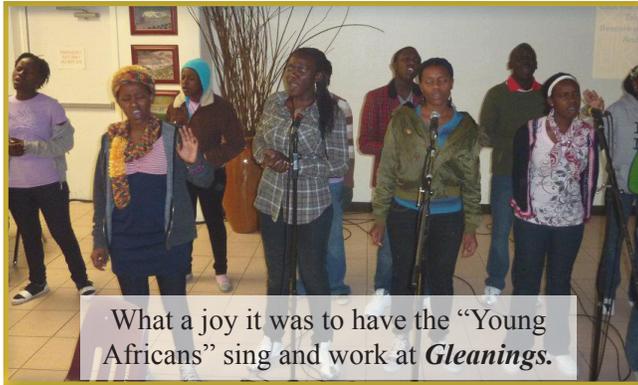
WELCOME MARY LOU SCHNUTENHAUS

Our newest staff member was ushered into the Gleanings' family in February. Mary Lou served with YWAM previously, onboard the MV Caribbean Mercy Ship in Central America and the Caribbean. Thanks for joining our ministry team with a willing heart to serve Jesus with us Mary Lou; good to have you aboard.



WEDDING BELLS

Introducing Mr. & Mrs. Randy Erickson, wed on March 3, 2012. It was a joyous and beautiful celebration, honoring our Lord and Savior, two of our staff, Randy Erickson and former Eliane Rechberger were married. Congratulations and many blessings as they begin their life together and continue serving at Gleanings for the Hungry!



What a joy it was to have the "Young Africans" sing and work at *Gleanings*.



Serve the Lord with gladness! Come before His presence with singing! Psalm 100:2

SOUP FOR ISRAEL

A vision of the founder of Gleanings, Wally Wenge, to ship food to Israel has been fulfilled. Praises were given to God as we packaged and sent our fourth shipment of kosher soup mix to Israel. This soup is distributed by Messianic Jews in Israel, some of whom came personally to witness the loading of the soup. You can read their amazing stories on the back page of this newsletter.



TEN-PLEX - UPPER LEVEL

As young and old joined to lift the ten-plex walls into place we were reminded of a barn-raising. As you can see, the upper level of our newest addition is quickly being framed, and the roof is next up.





Container Arrives in Israel

ISRAEL REPORT

Hands of Mercy is ministering to Holocaust victims experiencing poverty due to a lacking social network in Israel. Experiencing the terror of World War II as children, these senior Holocaust victims remember being safely harbored by Christians. Now, as they are again having their needs met by Christians, their hearts are touched by God’s love and they are open to receiving Jesus as their Savior. During a recent crusade 500 received Jesus or asked for prayer. The ministry also has many soup kitchens serving terrorist victims, street people and the needy.



Spent Katusha rockets fired from Gaza into southern Israel, resulting in additional need for dried soup mix, peaches, etc.



Outreach and food distribution to street people where old bus station stood.



Needy Children in Israel

CAMBODIA

“Watching a flood flow in from incrementally rising rivers is kind of like slow death, it’s painful, it progresses relentlessly, there’s very little you can do about it, and it leaves a terrible mess,” came the troubling report from Ted & Sou Olbrich with *Foursquare Children of Promise (FCOP)* last October. *FCOP* has grown from 22 to 108 church orphan homes currently caring for more than 3,000 orphans, separated children and widows. And, to date, *FCOP* has established 3,262 churches throughout Cambodia. *Gleanings For The Hungry* has been regularly shipping containers of food to *FCOP* for many years.

Ted further expresses the dire need. “We’ve been flooded in Cambodia, the worst since the year 2000. Much of our rice has been underwater, some has died, and the yield will be reduced. About 50% of our homes have been damaged: roofs, walkways, floors, and paint need repair. Seven homes had to be evacuated for a couple of weeks; four received major damage. Yet, no lives were lost, and when you compare our pain with that of Japan, it almost makes me ashamed to ask for help. It’s just that I really have nowhere else to go. There is no disaster aid in Cambodia, no welfare, no family assistance. Due to reduced rice production we continue to rely upon donated food items to meet the needs of the orphans and widows. We are grateful to *Gleanings For The Hungry, Reach Now International, and Feed My Starving Children* for their generous help!”

“We link evangelism with the meeting of urgent needs (Titus 3:14). The fruitfulness which comes from moving in a way that connects people with God and also meets their needs is electrifying. The community sees how the church meets human need, and they are open to the Gospel of Christ. Currently, much of our growth is through the Young Tigers, Lions, and Fisherman; Spirit filled youth teams that are seeing the Book of Acts come alive in Cambodia. They go out in one weekend and leave behind hundreds of new Christians.”

