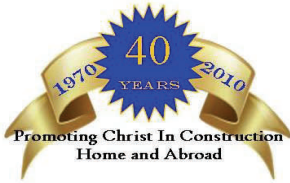


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Does Anybody Remember What Happened in August 2005?

Hurricane
Katrina!

Hurricane Katrina? Yes, and nearly five years after one of the worst natural disasters to ever hit America's shore, many families are still confined to

FEMA trailers, temporary shelters, or worse. Many experts say that **Hancock County, Mississippi**, "Ground Zero" for the hurricane, will never fully recover. For the last couple of years, NextStep Ministries has been sending student teams to Hancock County to help repair and rebuild houses and lives. NextStep is asking Hard Hats for Christ to supply *mature craftsmen* to help guide these young people as they share the love of Christ in very practical ways with people who are still hurting from the loss and devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina.

Let us know if you'd like to mentor some young (possibly future Hard Hats for Christ) missionaries this summer. Food and lodging can be provided. For more details, check out NextStep's website at

<http://www.nextstepministries.com/mission-trips/hurricane-relief>

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Faith Bible Church of Slidell, Louisiana, continues to host teams doing similar work south of Lake Pontchartrain, in New Orleans. They are improving their dormitory situation for volunteers on the church campus as well. Let us know if you'd rather go there.



Can we send you
the Action Gram
by e-mail?
Just drop us a
note at
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Go West, Young Man!



WHEN—SPRING 2010
WHERE—WYOMING

If you would like to go West during the summer, Pine Bluffs Baptist will be moving on with the construction of a new Sanctuary. Foundations are in and underslab work is scheduled to begin as soon as the snow melts. Dennis & Darlene Korneychuk will lead the Hard Hats volunteers.

What About the Recession?

Folks ask us if the recession has affected our ministry. The answer is, "Yes, and yes!" Giving to Hard Hats for Christ was down 10% in 2008 compared to 2007, and down another 10% in 2009 compared to 2008. So far in 2010, giving is down just 2% as compared to the first quarter in 2009.

At the same time, some churches and other Christian ministries are able to take advantage of lower prices and are building — and often "paying as they go" — in spite of the recession. We continue to have a steady flow of inquiries and requests for assistance.

And, while the recession has put some folks' retirement plans on hold for a year or two, others are finding unemployment to be an opportunity for volunteer service, and a time to reflect on God's plans and purposes for their lives.

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Projects East of the Mississippi River

For our folks in the eastern part of the United States we have two additional projects needing volunteers. The first one is in central Mississippi at the Greater Love Worship Center. They have 3 storefront spaces in the downtown area, with only one space in use. This project will be to convert the largest space into a sanctuary. They plan to start remodeling this spring.

The second project is in the beautiful Great Smoky Mountains of North Carolina at a Christian camp. The main project is to build a new dining hall with office space. Another need at the camp is for summer time help - everything from maintenance help to office help.

If you can give a week, a month or longer to any of these projects please contact the office for more details.

Let us rise up and
build, so they
strengthened their
hands for this good
work.

Nehemiah 2:18b





ARE YOU NOT ABLE TO GO YOURSELF?

Maybe someone you know has the skills we need, and the time available to respond to one of these project requests.

Pass this Action Gram on to them!

For months it appeared this project was going nowhere, but in late March a team of Americans and New Zealanders was at work in Mexico City, building classrooms for a community outreach center through a local Mexican church, and putting the finishing touches to missionary housing for the Pioneers missionaries doing youth work there. Stay tuned for further developments!

What about the Recession? Continued from Page 1

We are very grateful to all our donors, who continue to faithfully, and often sacrificially give to keep our Hard Hats for Christ missionaries on the job. And we look forward to "employing" many who are more free to serve now.

Thank you for praying for God's sufficient supply for all our Hard Hats missionaries' needs, and for His raising up new missionaries to continue this good work!

Each Hard Hats missionary raises the funds necessary to provide for their salary and/or expenses. From that we take 7% for the General Fund. Our General Fund is used to cover office overhead expenses such as rent, postage, phone and Internet services. A few donors also give directly to the General Fund, and occasionally, a larger gift allows us to keep the mission afloat without increasing the percentage taken from ministry donations.

One of the ways to supplement the General Fund is through bequests and wills. We are working with a financial planner to structure a very favorable estate planning option. Call Dave if you are interested.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



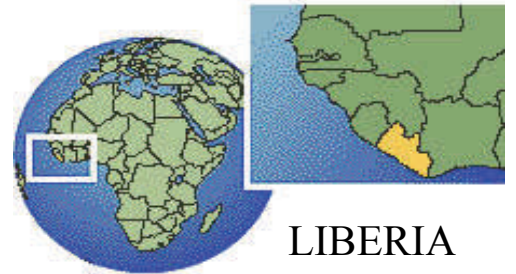
Duane Atkinson recently returned from the Dominican Republic, where he assisted on the foundation work for the church and community center at Iglesia de Comunidad in Santo Domingo. The slab work for the new sanctuary will proceed shortly, and then the erection of the steel building that was dismantled and transported to the site. **We need a welder ASAP to help erect the building.**

Duane also made contact with missionaries and Dominican pastors engaged in the relief and rebuilding efforts in Haiti. Plans are in the formation stage now to combine our project in the D.R. with work in Haiti. As presently envisioned, teams would go down to the island for two weeks at a time, spending a few days at the front and back ends helping at Iglesia de la Comunidad, sandwiched around five to seven days in Haiti. Duane's Dominican contacts warned that the average American volunteer probably could not survive (emotionally, at least), more than a week in Haiti under present conditions there.

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The time is near for the first banquet celebrating the 40th Anniversary of Construction Workers Christian Fellowship. at Fairmount Bible Church in Golden, CO May 1, 2010 at 4:00pm.

Please R.S.V.P. to the office by April 15, 2010. There is no charge but a love offering will be taken



LIBERIA

African Bible College, in northwest Liberia, hopes to put a new roof structure on the gymnasium this summer, and to finish out the new radio and television studio this fall.

Hard Hats has been asked to help, and all we need is a few intrepid builders to step forward! Contact us if you sense a call to African adventure!

Call us, you brave souls!!!

I AM INTERESTED

Name _____ Address _____

PLEASE SEND MORE INFO ON _____ PROJECT.

I WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THE _____ May 1st _____ October 2nd _____ CELEBRATION.

Return in the envelope provided or e-mail to Information@hh4c.org OR call 360-423-5022

