



To the Undiscovered Country...The Future

Dear Friends,

I really need to stop crying... or at least cease to tear up every time I think of the next year or so! As I write this, James has turned 17 and we are thinking about his future - what next, university, gap year ministry school, a job first?

Do we send him back to Canada alone or do we come with him for a few months? There is so much to think and pray about... and then there are the emotions. Wow, the emotions!



But among the emotions is immense pride and a feeling of gratefulness for the fine young man that he (and Darien) has become. He loves Jesus and wants to serve him. What parent could ask for more? Please help us to pray for the future.

He wants to be a pilot and we pray that God will show him how to fly!

The Father's House

In March we wrote about the official opening of the Susa church, but work has not stopped. With the help of West Edmonton Christian Assembly (WECA) we completed almost all of the second floor walls in April.



There is still much to do, but at this point you might be saying, "OK, great, but what is your next project?" We are so glad that you asked!!!

Project Refuge

In an April e-mail blast we announced Project Refuge.

Project Refuge is the expansion of The Refuge Boy's Home. More than just adding two dormitories, for some 15 boys, we want to help prevent children from ever having to be taken into long term care.



Neglected, abused & needy children tend to stem from needy families - homes that need intervention before the crisis escalates and send kids into the system or worse; the streets.

Our plan is to build a Community Feeding Centre that will also serve to hold parenting workshops & training programs of all kinds. Consider the possibilities! This will benefit the boys already in the home. Part-time caregivers and staff from the Refuge will be brought on full time to help care for the community - thus allowing more continuity with the staff.



Since launching the project, we have been able to lay 25% of the foundations, have raised the funds for the next section and now we have **our next target - raise \$15,000.00 before August 23 to finish the other half of the foundations,** just in time for our next construction team.

We have a 14 member team coming to raise up the first walls for the boys dormitories and we want to **have them working like Gophers** on the rest of the foundations at the same time!

Would you pray about helping us meet the need?

Teams and Dreams

We LOVE evangelism and this year we have two more teams that will be coming to do presentations in schools around Bogota. We will present the Gospel to more than 15,000 students by years' end. And that is with only 2 teams!



We dream of other missionaries coming to work with us and more evangelistic teams to reach even more students with a message of hope, but God also seems to be putting something else on our hearts - **building churches**.

We are in relationship with several congregations that are doing church planting. These churches tend to grow readily, but in places where people often make half of minimum wage, building a church is out of reach. Congregations are disrupted or even closed when their rented facilities are taken away.

We want to help. **Giving priority to small churches that already have their own land**, we are praying about getting more involved with building churches, not necessarily large spaces like in Susa, but places that will allow the church to grow and prosper on its own without any further aid from us.



In some cases that means helping a church remodel the old broken down building that they managed to buy, but are unable to do needed repairs.

We are looking at potential projects, places that teams can help to build or rebuild and we are dreaming... God dreams.

Are you Speaking English?



In a remote mountain top school, some 500 students attend classes daily. In another town close by the school holds 3000 students. What both of them have in common is a great desire and an educational imperative, to learn English.

English is mandatory in Colombian schools, but native speakers to practise with are almost nonexistent. So when our friend Cheryl Ashton volunteered to design an intensive English program and raise up our first ever ESL team. We were thrilled!



For 5 days we spent six hours of class with all of the 160 High School students in this little institution, teaching English - **all based on scripture and Bible stories!** The students even taught us a little... about dancing!

We have over 20 schools waiting for us to bring ESL teams to help them with their English programs. **Interested?**

Love In Christ,

♥ *Darren, Patty, James & Darien* ♥

Just as Jesus had a group of people who sustained Him (Luke 8:1-3), we also depend on God's provision as expressed through the Body of Christ. *Please partner with us through your giving!*

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