

Teleios Ministry

Helping God-Given Visions Become Present-Day Realities

Gypsy Summer Camps Almost Fully Funded

By Bonnie Parker

Final plans are being made for this year's Gypsy Summer Camps for children from Attila Toth's ministry areas of Peris, Gornesti, Glodeni and Csavas.

The theme, Bible stories and memory verses have all been chosen and are in the process of being translated. Arts and craft materials have arrived at the Teleios office for packing!

Funding for scholarships is continuing to come in, but 15 more are still needed to fully fund the number of children. Pray that God will make this remaining need of \$60 per child available so the children can experience His love.

Team member Katie McClung will leave June 26 with other team members joining her July 6. Ask God for safe travels for all and for the safety of the campers during July 9-22. Pray that the children will experience the Lord and that the camps bring honor and glory to God.

SATU MARE AREA CAMP

While in Romania during July, Floyd and I will visit the camp being held for the children of the Gypsy churches associated with the Satu Mare Church.

This is the first time a week at summer camp has been available for these children. The camp will be led by Barna and Judith Kovacs. Teleios Ministry committed to assist the Acas and Tream Gypsy Churches with the financing of this camp.

If you would like to be a part of providing the camping experience for this group, please designate your contribution for the Satu Mare Area Gypsy Children's Camp. All donations will be appreciated.



76 Baptized In Acas!

*Growth Continues In Every Way
As Holy Spirit Moves Among The People*

The Spirit of God truly came on Pentecost Sunday this year. On May 19, 76 adults were baptized at the Acas Gypsy Church in Acas, Romania.

Church leader Barna Kovacs reports that it was a very touching day. The Vice Lord Mayor of Acas was present and was deeply moved as he spoke to the people. Teleios Ministry partners provided Bibles for these newly baptized believers.

The church now has over 230 members. Membership in the church

is comprised of adults and older youth, but there are children and others who come. Imagine adding 76 families to a church!

An immediate expansion of the church is being planned. Already, the plans have been drawn and, hopefully, construction on the addition will begin the first of July. A wing will be added to the left side of the current building forming an "L" shape.

Please be in prayer for the church as it continues to grow in every way.

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Land Cleared As Progress On Secondary School Moves Forward

EDITOR'S NOTE: Just as the newsletter was going to press, we received word from Mpeli Mwaisumbe that the approval letter from the Tanzania Department of Education for the secondary school has officially been signed and delivered. Here's Mpeli's message:

*"We have the permission! Praise the Lord, thank you God; thank you education officer and friend (at the) state house (in) Dar. The name of school will be Bread of Life Secondary School.
Asante sana, Mpeli"*

Thank you for your continued prayers and support as work begins in earnest on this ground-breaking effort to change lives through education centered in a Christian environment.



few weeks. A temporary storage building is being constructed to store materials and tools.

VOCATIONAL TEACHERS SOUGHT

Another exciting component of the DBLTSS education is the development of practical vocational skills for all students, regardless of the academic course they pursue.

Focus areas are:

- Agricultural Management
- Automobile/Truck/Tractor Repair
- Brick Masonry
- Construction
- Electrician
- Plumbing
- Small Business Management

BOOKS AND EQUIPMENT

Though the school is in the initial phases of development, overall planning includes provision for textbooks, science equipment, and computer labs. Desperately needed now are used laptops (Windows 7). If you have a used laptop you'd like to donate, contact Floyd Parker at floyd.parker@teleiosministry.org.

This secondary school is an answer to prayer. Please continue to pray as construction begins that God will bring together those who want to make a difference in the lives of the children.

By Floyd Parker

Progress continues to be made on the Daily Bread Life Tanzania Secondary School. The land has been cleared. Authorization to begin building has been given. Approval has been received. Now, the national education office is covering all the bases one more time. Please continue to pray as it seems that every day there is one more paper needed to complete the process.

Everyone is excited about the new school and the tremendous opportunity it brings. Some of you have asked how you can participate by helping with desks, lab equipment, etc. We are working on all of those details.

Now that the land is cleared, plans for the water lines and water tanks are being developed. The well at the Kidetete Farm will provide clean water for the school and irrigation for the farm. Building of the wall around the school will begin in a

Initial enrollment will be 50 students. This number will expand slowly each year. We know, however, that some scholarships will be needed the first year for the orphans. Information on specific fees and expenses will be provided soon.

TEACHERS NEEDED

Permission has been granted by the Tanzanian Government for the school to have teachers from the United States and other countries.

Teachers are needed in the Computers/ Software, Sciences, Civics, Geography, Mathematics, Economics/Business, and English.

There are several ways in which teachers can serve.

1. Commit to teach a one- or two-week intensive class in a subject.
2. Commit to teach for any period of time up to one semester.

Teleios Team Needs You For Kenya Holiday Bible Camp

The Children's Leadership Team in the Gatunguru area is hoping you'll join them this year for Holiday Bible Camp. This opportunity to participate in an exciting and challenging mission effort to share Jesus Christ with children, youth, and adults will be held Dec. 27, 2013 – Jan. 5, 2014.

This is our second year working with the Children's Leadership Team in the Gatunguru area. Total cost is \$2,500 and includes

round-trip airfare, daily costs for hotel, food and water, in-country transportation, a safari and a travel visa. Team participants will also be asked to assist in raising funds for supplies.

Please consider joining this effort to help change lives for the glory of God. Contact Floyd Parker at floyd.parker@teleiosministry.org.

A Teleios Fourth!

You are invited to join us for the celebration

Thursday, July 4

6:30 p.m. until...

28 Eula Street, Greenville, S.C.

Barbecue - Homemade Ice Cream - Fireworks



Please **RSVP: 864-322-9775** or floyd.parker@teleiosministry.org by **July 1.**

Bring your own lawn chair.

Ilombo Children's Center To Be Built!



Neema Mwaisumbe, right, presents Monica, chairperson of the Ilombo women's committee, with the funds needed to complete the Children's Center. Thanks to the generosity of Teleios partners, construction on this center will resume. Praise be to God! He has honored the prayers and commitment of the women in Ilombo and called sisters and brothers in Christ alongside to be a part of what He is doing in this area of the Mbeya district in Tanzania.

Malaria Testing Partnership Formed

Daily Bread Life Children's Home and local medical personnel are entering into a partnership to provide malaria testing for the children at DBLCH (main campus) and Asante Sana Children's Home in Nzihi.

Teleios/DBLCH will need to provide a microscope and slides for the lab. The initial startup cost is \$500. Local medical personnel will do the lab work. This will greatly reduce costs for medical care of the children and staff. Also, the testing will be available to others in the Iringa area for a small charge.

If you would like to assist in this endeavor, please contact Floyd Parker at 864-322-9775 or floyd.parker@teleiosministry.org.

Remembering Mwaisumbe Family

Please remember Tanzanian partner Mpeli Mwaisumbe and his family in the loss of his mother on June 1. God was glorified in the funeral service with over 1,000 people in attendance.

Mpeli and the Mwaisumbe family thank all of you for your prayers and encouragement during this time. Moma Mpeli was active in women's ministries in the Mbeya area and many came to share about her influence for Christ in their lives.





Reflections From the Green Chair....

The Scriptures are an amazing gift to us from God. We may read the Bible through year after year, and each time we read a letter or gospel or prophet, a verse jumps off the page and speaks to us in a profound and life-changing way.

God's Word is sometimes treated as complex and difficult to understand. Yet, over the years, I have been struck by the simplicity of the Scriptures and how much of the complexity is our attempt to divert the penetrating message from us. The message is so simple that we understand; the problem is that it puts us contrary to our culture and our way of living.

In 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3, Paul wrote, *"We always thank God for all of you, mentioning you in our prayers. We continually remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ."* These three phrases are simple, powerful, and challenging descriptions of the Thessalonian believers. Later in the letter we see that this is not just Paul's assessment of them, but these phrases are their reputation.

"Your work produced by faith." In Greek, the phrases are even more simply

worded. By "Your work" Paul is referring to everyday business work, what we do every day. We are stewards entrusted by God with the work we do in His creation.

Whether in a factory, office building, farm, outdoors, indoors, on a computer or an automobile, our work is a gift from God (Ecclesiastes 3). Our work comes from our trust and belief in Jesus Christ. We are where we are because we followed Jesus there.

"Your labor prompted by love." Paul used two different words for work in these phrases. The one here is often used to describe very difficult work or even trouble. Because of love, these believers engaged in hard, troublesome work. Sounds like the cross. What we do prompted by love is never easy - it costs us something.

Whether the work is in our heart, head, or hands, it is hard, troubling work. Recently, I saw a living example of a husband, family, and church family caring for a person with Alzheimer's disease. I saw it in Tanzania and Kenya in working with orphans and vulnerable children. I saw it in the United States in a businessman trying to figure out how to

handle a difficult employee situation in a God-honoring way.

"Your endurance inspired by hope." Every time I go overseas or people hear my or Bonnie's travel schedule they remark about how do we do it. Honestly, sometimes it's not easy, and the older we get, we have to say it gets a little harder.

Early in my life, a passage of Scripture caught my attention and captured my thinking. *"Let us fix our eyes on Jesus... who for the joy set before him, endured the cross..."* (Hebrews 12:2-3). Hope is at the heart of living an authentic life in Jesus Christ. Hope is confidence in the promise, protection, and provision of Jesus the Christ and God the Father.

We get up every day and engage in work produced by faith and labor prompted by love because we are inspired by hope in Jesus Christ. We know, we are confident, that what we are doing will make a difference. We will overcome; we will be victorious. A powerful, simple, challenging, comforting, encouraging message from the Word of God. Let's go to work.

In His Love,

Floyd