

Teleios Ministry

Helping God-Given Visions Become Present-Day Realities

The Wonder Of God And The Power Of Prayer

By Bonnie Parker

There is so much excitement in the air! God is truly the master coordinator as He is not only making more partnerships a reality, but making us ever-mindful of His ability to bring so many different - and unexpected - resources together in His time and for His glory.

Here's what we have going on just in May and June:

- A team is on its way to Romania to upgrade the wastewater treatment system at Camp Harghita;
- Floyd is currently in Romania teaching at the Hungarian Baptist Seminary

and visiting new works;

- Children have been arriving at the orphanage in Tanzania;
- And plans are under way for the dedication of the first real office of Teleios Ministry.

The staff is really staying on its toes in handling the plans and the details in the proper way, making sure nothing or anyone is overlooked is imperative. It requires time and energy. This newsletter contains schedules and information on all of these things in order for you to be informed prayer warriors as developments are happening.

Prayer is the most vital ingredient in all of these undertakings. We never want to lose sight of the fact that each of these things is done for the glory of God and to provide for people to come to know Him and/or grow in Him.

Our mission is to help others complete the vision God has given them, thereby fulfilling the purpose for which He created them. As we work to accomplish this, we ask for your prayers on our behalf.

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Consider Yourself Invited!

Teleios Office Dedication Set For June 3

You have seen pictures at various stages of progress, listened to stories about the work, and many of you participated in helping this dream become a reality. Now come celebrate with us!

The new Teleios office will be dedicated and a ribbon-cutting ceremony to take place on Saturday, June 3. Everyone is invited!

We will gather at 10:30 a.m. at 28 Eula Street to offer praise and thanksgiving to God for allowing us to participate in His activities in this world and to offer this place to His glory.

Plan to be present and see the new office. Refreshments will be served following the dedication service.



Through prayer, gifts, and talents of many, the Teleios office has become a reality dedicated to God's glory.

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The Children Arrive At Tanzanian Orphanage

With Wide-Eyed Amazement, 26 Children Begin Their Journey On The Path Of Hope



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The Tanzanian government officials came for the final inspection of the orphanage and the facilities were approved for the housing of children.

In fact, they were very impressed with the layout of the entire compound and the care with which it had been designed. Only a few suggestions were given. For the next year, as they monitor the startup, 30 children will be accepted.



On April 20, the first six children were cleared to move into the new facility. At press time, 26 children have been admitted.



Their amazement at indoor plumbing and electric lights is both heartwarming and sad at the same time. Some had never slept on a mattress before! Others had never eaten rice! They could not believe this was going to be their new home! One child when leaving the place he had been staying exclaimed, "Good-bye prison!"



They are starting to help with the gardening for growing their food and getting settled into school. Pray for their adjustment and the spirit of love to bond the children and the caregivers. Pray that all the requirements for being an approved facility will be met throughout this year so the remaining spaces will be filled. Pray for the business administration of the orphanage as many aspects will be new to those "running" the facility.



Praise God for the vision of Mpele, Neema and other leaders in Tanzania

and the provisions that have been made by the partners in the United States to establish the orphanage.



This Just In...

From Romania...

Targu Mures

Marta Borzasi's mother is gravely ill. Marta is the wife of Istvan Borzasi. Please pray for her mother and their family as they cope with her condition.

Camp Harghita

The Women's Conference of the Hungarian Baptist Association is planned for May 26-28. Please pray for the leaders of this annual conference and those in attendance as they continue to grow in their spiritual walk and become who God would have them be. Remember Bonnie Parker on May 28 as she will be speaking.

From Africa...

Floyd and Bonnie Parker, Anne Davis and Zechariah Horne will be traveling to Kenya and Tanzania in June-July. The first stop will be in Kenya for the Leadership Conference with the Federation of Baptist Churches of Central Kenya. Anne will focus on Children's Leadership; Bonnie on Women's Leadership; and Floyd on various other aspects of leadership and preaching. The team then travels to Tanzania where Anne will be teaching Creative Arts at the Girls School and working with the Kibeti Nursery School teachers on proper instruction of the curriculum materials sent earlier. Floyd, Bonnie and Zechariah will be working in other areas of teaching and preaching. The tentative dates for this trip are June 26-July 15. Pray for this team as they prepare for the trip, their travel and their work with the different groups and partners in Kenya and Tanzania.

From Tanzania...

In addition to caring for the new arrivals at the Tanzanian Orphanage, Mveli and Neema Mwaishumbe have taken in orphaned 6-month-old twins—a boy and a girl. They are excited to have such young ones in their house again.

From South Carolina...

Greenville

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Teleios Team Joins Floyd In Romania

The following is an itinerary of the current Teleios Team's trip to Romania. Remember, too, that Floyd is already there preaching, teaching and making preparations for our arrival. Please use this as a guide for prayer for mission with Hungarians Believers in Romania.

The team members are Bonnie Parker, Leah Dover, Rebecca West, Meg Hunt and Ed Arnold.

Travel Schedule

May 16: Teleios Team leaves Charlotte at 4:30 p.m.

Floyd travels with Gyula Borzasi to Brasov.

May 17: Floyd and Gyula meet Teleios Team at Bucharest Airport at 1:50 p.m.

Team travels to Brasov and then to Harghita Christian Camp.

May 18: Team begins working on Cesspit Project until finished.

May 23: Floyd preaching in village church.

May 26-28: Hungarian Baptist Women's Conference begins; Bonnie speaking on Sunday.

May 28-29: Team returns to Brasov.

May 30: Team returns home

Teleios Team leaves 6 a.m.; arrives in Charlotte at 3:15 p.m.

Floyd leaves 6:15 a.m.; arrives Greenville at 9:50 p.m.

Blog Site Created For Camp Harghita Cesspit Project

A blog site has been created for the Cesspit Project that is underway at the Camp. Through this blog site, you will be able to follow the progress of the wastewater/water system improvements via photos and messages. You can also send the Teleios Team messages through this site. You can access the site by going to <http://www.teleiosministry.blogspot.com>

Green Chair

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He said, "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." A blessed life is a life that lives by faith—confident of the unseen because of God.

If you want a life of blessing, live a life of faith. Live beyond your doubts to embrace a life of faith. Experience the blessing of living by faith. Oh, I cannot tell you the times that people have said after they acted in faith, "What a bless-

ing!—I or we have been so blessed by the Lord!"

Thank you for being our partners on this journey of faith. Our prayer is that you are blessed by your partnership in the Gospel with us. I know that we have been blessed by your partnership.

What joy it is to share with you in this newsletter the stories of the faithful and the blessed.

In Christ's Love,

Floyd





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Reflections From The Green Chair.....

“Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of things we do not see. 2. By it the ancients gained approval.”
 - Hebrews 11:1-2

“Then Jesus told him, ‘Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.’”
 - John 20:25

The greatest challenge that the church faces today is one of faith. Will we truly live by faith? Will the life of our church and our personal lives demonstrate a genuine faith in Jesus Christ?

In these two passages of Scripture, faith or believing is defined. Rather than using the language of Paul to describe faith in salvation terms, John and the writer of Hebrews describe faith in practical terms of what happens when one “faiths” or “believes.” Immediately, we see that faith is not the intellectual grasp of certain facts and saying yes to them. Belief, or faith, is not something that you hold in your head, it involves your heart and your hands. Faith enables us to become who God created us to be and to do what God called or is calling us to do. Faith always carries with it an action—an everyday,

practical action based upon this confident hope, this certainty of the unseen.

Faith is that trust which God empowers us with and enables us to move into the future regardless of what the future holds. We have a confidence that we can rely on God—we can trust Him.

In the rest of Hebrews 11, the writer selected a variety of people through the history of God’s people and showed how faith affected their lives and led them forward. Faith led them into the future regardless of the circumstances. Faith led them to engage in everyday actions that exposed their faith/belief/trust to the world in which they lived. Hebrews 11:8 – “By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going.”

The opposite of faith or believing or trust (all the same) is fear/uncertainty about the future—what will happen to us if we do this. Most often what I hear is that people are afraid to fail or afraid that moving into the future in pursuit of what God is leading them to do will jeopardize what

they already have. I must confess that I was naïve five years ago when our journey of faith called Teleios Ministry began. I did not realize how much fear is involved in the life of the church and her leaders.

Teleios Ministry is committed to helping people turn their God-given visions and dreams into a reality. On everything we print, the following phrase appears: “Helping God-given visions become present-day realities.” In fact, what we really do is assist people to act in faith and live by faith – both the indigenous leader and the partner who is involved through prayer, hands-on support, or financial support. I cannot tell you the number of times that people have said, “How can I trust that these Hungarians, Romanians, Kenyans, New Yorkers, Tanzanians, South Carolinians, Virginians, and so on will be faithful?” The answer is you can’t, but you can trust God who called you to be a partner.

In the passage in John, Thomas had demanded certainty ... “Unless I touch and see the Risen Jesus, I will not believe.” Jesus’ response is recorded above. Note

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