



Mission Update and Prayer Guide

NOTHING IS TOO HARD FOR THE LORD.....Jeremiah 32:17
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"Untold millions are still untold."

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"So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."

God is Faithful!

"Some of you today are going through heartache and grief so intense that you wonder if it will ever go away. But I want to tell you that our God cares for you and for your family and for your city. For God loves you, and he shares in your suffering."

The test of a preacher is that his congregation goes away saying, not, 'What a lovely sermon!' but 'I will do something.'"

"God proved His love on the Cross. When Christ hung, and bled, and died, it was God saying to the world, 'I love you.'"

"There is nothing wrong with men possessing riches. The wrong comes when riches possess men."

"My home is in Heaven. I'm just traveling through this world."

Billy Graham



Hi brothers and sisters! Thank you for sending Rev. Dave to us last month. His visit was a blessing to many people in Ghana. Your kindness is producing fruit. I am reporting to you today that over the past few weeks we have had 30 lost souls make decisions for Jesus. I praise God for this miracle. 14 of the people who came to Christ are now being welcomed in our newest church plant. I'm very thankful to Jesus for all He is doing. Your prayers and support are having results. A carpenter just came from Nkwanta Church in the Muslim region to do the estimate cost for the roofing. We know God is able to help us with this project. We give Him all the glory. As you can see the other van has been refurbished inside and out. We now have all three vehicles moving at the same time. Please keep praying for us. We here in Ghana are sending our love, **John Adjei, Agona Swedru**



From Dr. Sam George and Elizabeth, India
 We praise God for three marriages so far in 2018. All of us here at **Emmanuel Ministries** thank you for your specific prayers. God is so good! Please pray for more marriages to take place this year. We are also happy to report the **Emmanuel Bible Institute** exams went well. Pray for our 10th and 12th graders taking state exams this month.

Dear Heritage AFlame Family, We are absolutely amazed by God's grace toward us. After almost one year the Ministry House you have helped us with by your prayers and giving is now 98% complete. *This is the Lord's doing, it is marvelous in our eyes!* We never thought we would be able to have a secure place to live in and be able to welcome missionaries, widows, orphans and visitors from the USA! **Gideon Ukubit, Nigeria**



People often ask what goes on between the hills when we aren't doing summer camps and weekend retreats. People seemed to be aware of our camping experience, but what we do during the school year is a mystery. Back in 1989 **Gil's Hills** started doing weekly clubs that focused on engaging kids throughout their week to influence them for Jesus. A week of camp during the summer is a great way to spend a large chunk of time pouring into the lives of kids, creating adventures, memories, and relaying the truths of God to youth throughout our area, but the club nights throughout the year enable us to keep in touch with the kids when life gets complicated, stressed, and busy.

This year's club season we have engaged with almost all of the kids that joined us for this past years summer camp (there are some who travel rather far for Summer Camps which makes it difficult for them to join us during the school year for their club), plus many of them have brought their friends. It makes sense, when you enjoy something, you want to share it. Gil's Hills isn't just a place kids go once or even a few times a year, it's a part of the lives of the kids who consider this place their own.

Last month God blessed us with a new van. (Praise the LORD!) we had been praying for over a year for a way to pick up the growing number of kids we transport to Gil's Hills each week for clubs nights, and God provided above and beyond what we needed. recently, while picking up some Bolivar kids for their club night, one girl climbed into the back seat excitedly asking: **"We got a new van?"** A simple excited question, but it revealed a lot. God providing for Gil's Hills was like God providing for her. It was personal, and she was excited about it.

We love what we do and **what we see God doing** in the lives of the kids each month. We would not be able to see that growth and change without our Club Nights. We thank God for each opportunity He places in front of us and **ask you to pray for us as we pursue His will between the Hills.** - Ken Jordan

MARCH 2018

Monday, March 5th: Younger Boys
Tuesday, March 6th: Younger Girls
Monday, March 12th: Older Boys
Tuesday, March 13th: Older Girls
Monday, March 19th: Younger Boys

Fri./Sat. March 23rd-24th
Younger Girls Overnighter

Monday, March 26th: Older Boys
Tuesday, March 27th: older Girls

APRIL 2018

Monday, April 2nd: Younger Boys
Tuesday, April 3rd: Younger Girls
Monday, April 9th: Older Boys
Tuesday, April 10th: Older Girls
Monday, April 16th: younger Boys
Tuesday, April 17th: Younger Girls

APRIL 21ST: 4:30-6:30 PM
AN EVENING WITH GILS HILLS

Monday, April 23rd: Older Boys
Tuesday, April 24th: Older Girls
Monday, April 30th: Younger Boys

We would like to invite the Heritage AFlame Family in the Bolivar-Olean area to join the **Gil's Hills Ministry Team** for an evening of encouragement and blessing on Saturday, April 21st, at the Brookside Wesleyan Church in Wellsville, NY. If you are interested in going please let Dave or Daisy know as soon as possible. Reservations are necessary.

www.gilshills.org

"We should be as quick to kneel before God, crying out for our young people, as we are so quick to text our friends."

"If we would spend as much time praying for young people as we do talking about them we would see real change - in them and in us."

"Young people need models, not critics." - John Wooden

Why not ask a teenager or a young adult in your life to start praying with you? It's not impossible!



For the past several years Heritage AFlame has had the privilege of prayerfully and financially supporting Circle Ranch in Delevan, NY. As a young boy I attended the very first summer camp season. That was 50 years ago. Through the years thousands of young people have made strong commitments to Jesus, repenting of sin and by the grace of God accepting His free gift of salvation through faith. Wes Aarum and my father were very close. One consequence of their friendship was that my siblings and I were saturated with principles of evangelism, discipleship and missions. Today Circle C continues to shine for Jesus. They have not compromised on the truth and power of God's Word. Please pray for them as they conclude the 2018 Snow Camp Season and prepare for the Summer Camping Season. Take a look at these testimonies from previous campers and staff members. As you do, please remember to pray for, believe in and expect transformation to occur in the lives of area young people and our entire nation. - *Dave Herne* "If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land." *II Chronicles 7:14*

www.circlecranch.org

Thank you Circle C Ranch for your impact on my life and the lives of so many over the years. Circle C is where I first committed my life to Christ and I am so blessed to have been a counselor for 3 summers at a camp that impacted me in such a big way. What a wonderful experience it is to work alongside dedicated staff, be able to have an impact on eternity by sharing the Gospel with each camper, and being able to give kids the time of their lives with all of the crazy, wacky fun that is Circle C. *Christen Sullivan*

Where do I start!? I am so thankful for this place, it really made me the man I am today and I can't thank God enough! I was a camper for 8 years and was going at least twice during the summer and I have worked 5 summers and hope to have some more summers in me! God has done so much through this camp saving lives and equipping kids on how to tell their friends and family about Jesus... So thank you for all you have done and what your going to do!.. And this was the verse and theme that changed my life around *1st Corinthian 10:31 "Live Like You Mean It"* *Josh Smith*

I have been going to snow camp since the 5th grade and it sure has changed my life through the years. My first year I finally understood what it meant to be a child of God and I was able to grow tremendously. My tenth grade year at Circle C had the biggest influence on my life. Towards the end of 9th grade and throughout 10th I struggled with depression and anxiety. My whole life was consumed in my fears and worries. I am very thankful that I went to camp that year because God truly was present. He was present in the worship, services, and in my counselor. I was at such a low, but in that short weekend something clicked in my mind that God's plans for my life aren't finished and the devil no longer has a hold of me. Without that weekend I don't know where I'd be today. I'm forever grateful for the people there that have become family. But I am most of all grateful for the God who sees me and knows my name and who loves me. *Madison M.*

Circle C Ranch has impacted my life in so many ways. This camp has drawn me closer to God and made me realize that He is number one in my life. I have made great friends there. I have learned from my past and have a great life and happy where I am. Circle C Ranch is a great place to learn, make friends, and have fun. *Megan Curry*

This ministry had a major impact on me as a child. Through their summer camps I attended with Dave Hoekstra, my faith in Christ was strengthened and deepened. Wayne Aarum and all the incredible staff at Circle C continue to boldly and lovingly share the good news of Jesus, changing thousands of student's lives. I am incredibly thankful for this ministry and can't wait to bring my youth ministry students there again this year for snow camp! *Peter J Pasieka*

I spent 4 amazing summers as a counselor at Circle C Ranch. I was blessed by my 4 years there. Not only did I meet so many great people, some of whom I continue to be in contact with and share the best of friendships with, but I learned so much about myself and grew in my relationship with Christ. This is a place that is not only a ton of fun but has a mission in mind; to reach kids with the Gospel. The staff is so passionate about that mission and puts their whole heart into doing their part. I wouldn't trade the years I had the opportunity to serve at such an amazing, Christ-centered camp. *Kathryn Plunkett*

*You were created with value and worth!
God wants your life to count.*



We praise God for the wonderful Missions Conference and Graduation Service that was held at Ebenezer Gardens, Mynaperi in Tenkasi, India. Dr Sam George, with Dr. MV Johnson translating English to Tamil, proclaimed the Word of God with great passion for lost souls. The Graduates were challenged to trust God completely in every area of their lives. Each graduate publically committed to follow Christ even if it led them to become martyrs for Jesus and the Gospel. Visitors from America were there to participate and share from the Word of God. Several past graduates were also there to share their testimonies. In the midst of hardships and strong opposition the EBI family is praising God for His provision, strength and grace. Is anything too hard for the Lord? No! Nothing is too hard for the Lord! **Please pray for the newest graduates as they make their way into the field that is white unto harvest.**



Please continue to pray for the outreach ministries of **Emmanuel**: Youth Retreats; Sports Events; Bible Studies; Vacation Bible Schools; Tract Distribution; Women's Meetings; Gideons' Bible Distribution and much more. We need God's anointing and favor.



From Jonathan and Sharon Penz, Russian Mission, Alaska - Thank you so much for your patience and sticking by us during these difficult times. Thank you for praying! We are abundantly thankful for the successes of this past year, *yet heartbroken by Kyle's passing*. We hasten with what needs to be done in the big picture with faith that the Lord has this rebuilding phase in hand.

A routine part of what happens at Kako involves keeping the facility ready for year-round Bible teaching events and the camping programs. While this has never ceased to be a challenge since the foundations were laid and the upper camp completed (1981 through 1998), the obstacles have been greater these past few years. This is in part because the DEC requires upgrades to the water and sewer system, but also because of the aging infrastructure. It was a rusty, 36 year-old culvert that caused the massive flooding in October. Despite lacking glamour, this maintenance chore accompanies our vision to provide a unique setting that welcomes guests to meet with the Lord, without the distractions of village life. But getting these big projects out of the way is going to take years, not months. Kids camps are traditionally located out of town, yet few face issues encountered this far from the Alaska's road system. Site upkeep can quickly become a full-time job and we continue to need help as we press forward. Volunteers are welcome! Office workers are also needed.

The pond wash-out that swept away a shed and well house has been filled in and for now the road is usable again. If it holds when Spring comes, it will really help during family and kids camp because access was a big problem. It took tons of work to get it done in temps down to 5 below and three feet of snow. The nine-week project involved fixing and using every piece of heavy equipment we have, except the P&H hoe which is still apart. We hauled 25 dump truck loads of sandy gravel and 23 loads of black clay and made piles near the hangar. We then mixed those materials together and put most of it in the enormous ditch. That's about 570 yards of dirt, or 200 bucket loads with the 966 loader that was handled multiple times. A portion of it became frozen into big chunks and was not used, not a new experience in this region of Alaska.

For a few weeks I was the only man in camp, so I was thrilled to have friends step in and join the struggle. Their presence here was a great encouragement to me and also to Sharon as well. We continue to be grateful for God providing John and Becky Erickson in taking care of the camp while we were in New York State. Our time there was so helpful. (Thanks for sending Dave and Daisy for a morning visit.) The Erickson's succeeded in hauling all the diesel fuel and propane up from the river, finished construction in house number 4 and made many other improvements. It has been wonderful to have Jerry David from Bethel back this winter covering the fire-wood needs. Summer-worker Ben Getz from Oklahoma is also here for the rest of the winter, helping Jerry and doing camp upkeep. The Landlord family in Marshall is doing well. It is a joy to have this native family working with us now for many years. **Please pray that the believers in Marshall** will be able to regain access to the church building, which has been caught up in outside ownership disputes for a year. **Also pray that God would bring additional long-term staff to Kako.** Thanks to all of you who have invested in the ministry this past year! You have made a huge difference and it is incredibly appreciated. **As we move forward in 2018 we need your prayer support. God bless you!**



Through the years we have been privileged to send many individuals to Kako to serve on work-teams, participate in camp programming and encourage the Kako Staff. If you have an interest in taking an active part in Kako's mission please see Bill and Paula Ayers or Dave and Daisy Herne.



www.kakoretreatcenter.org

May the grace of God continually strengthen you as we await His Second Coming. How is Paula doing in health? My family set apart time to be uplifting her in prayers and we intensified it today. May God who is able to do more than what we think or imagine manifest His power in her system.

By the grace of God Almighty, we can testify without mixing words that God has and continues to affirm our partnership. Last week end, I led a team of four passionate persons to do ministry in Nkochi, Lassin and Bongom. The demand was more than the ministers could handle and we had to divide the group. Since the other group made up of my wife and an elderly Pastor did not have a camera to snap, the images attached are only the one from my own side of ministry. The photos cover ministry at Din which I never reported last time, baptism at Bongom and a leadership training seminar in Nkambe Church on February 20.

The Gospel outreach program witnessed a massive turnout and responses to the call to follow Jesus Christ despite the biting cold. The leadership seminar in Nkambe church witnessed an attendance of 138 leaders from 42 ministry communities. I taught two lessons: **LEADERSHIP BY EXAMPLE** FROM 1Pet. 5:1-4 and **INFLUENCING PEOPLE TO GOD'S AGENDA** from Neh. 1 & 2. The response was wonderful. We are planning to have a Bible Conference in November located at one of the ministry stations which will bring together at least 3000 persons daily. How I pray God will open the door for Rev Dave to come and address these people on **PURSUING GOD** and **HONORING LOYALTY**. Thank you for the giant support you are providing on a regular basis through your sincere prayers and giving.



I baptized two young guys in Bongom and it was a joyous time. I supported them with a Bible each as seen in the images. I dedicated a stream which the community believes is a gathering place of wizards and did the baptism without any problem. The funds you sent came at a time we desperately needed help. I collected them and chose to use wisdom in disseminating them. I supported the Lassin Church project, made repairs to the ministry vehicle, supported three struggling local Missionaries, and took care of some pressing family needs. Time does not permit me to be more detailed in a report from what we experienced with the 100 prisoners at the Nkambe Central Prison. It was indeed wonderful. I hope to share a report in the near future. Please accept our humble and sincere appreciation for assisting us in the Lord's work.



Whom have I in heaven but You? And there is none upon earth that I desire besides You. My flesh and my heart fail; But God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. Psalm 73:25-26

