



OPC STORM Report

Short-Term Outreach, Relief and Missions

2013 Short-Term Missions Season Begins

*"Therefore I will give thanks to You, O Lord, among the nations,
And I will sing praises to Your name."
2 Samuel 22:50 (NASB)*

Karamoja, Uganda Months of praying, planning and preparing are beginning to bear their fruit as we enter the summer months. Since late May, a team from the RPCNA, has been working with our mission in Karamoja, Uganda. The school program they're running has swelled from 11 kids on Monday to 95 on Friday!

Key West, Florida Here in the US, a team from Covenant OPC in Orland Park, Illinois has spent the week under Pastor Bill Welzien's tutelage, witnessing firsthand his gospel presentations in Key West, Florida, and receiving classroom instruction on evangelism



North, South East and West Within a week's time, the first of four teams will head *North* to Quebec to work with Missionary Ben Westerveld running the summer's first English for Kids summer camp. A team from the Presbytery of Southern California will fly *South* to Haiti to minister with Missionary Ben Hopp through a VBS program to children in various churches there. During the second week of July, the first of two teams to the Czech Republic will fly *East* to help Affiliated Missionary Jerry Farnik run an English Camp outreach. About the same time, we will send a team *West* to the Sendai area of Japan to continue the ministry to the victims of the tsunami of March 2011.

It's Not Too Late To Serve: Urgent Needs

- **Haiti Team in August:** If these spots are not filled in the next few weeks, there is the possibility that it will be cancelled. Interested? Email David Nakhla nakhla.1@opc.org!
- **Roof for Boardwalk Chapel:** The Chapel roof has a significant leak. Equipped? Email zozzaro.1@opc.org!
- **Cleanup and Rebuilding in New Jersey:** The post-Sandy response effort continues. Willing? Email farre954@regis.edu!
- **Construction in Neon:** Both workers and funds have diminished in Neon, Kentucky, but the work is half done. It would be so great to complete this manse refurbishment. Able? Email Bennett.1@opc.org!

International Mission Teams

5/23 - 6/25 Various ministries RP Missions team to **Karamoja, Uganda**
6/23 - 7/4 VBS team "Team Haiti" to **Haiti**
6/24 - 6/28 English for Kids team #1 to **Quebec**
7/1 - 7/5 English for Kids team #2 to **Quebec**
7/8 - 7/12 English for Kids team #3 to **Quebec**
7/12 - 7/19 English Camp team to **Czech Republic**
7/15 - 7/19 English for Teens camping team to **Quebec**
7/18 - 8/1 Disaster Response team to **Japan**
7/22 - 8/13 Various ministries "Team Praha" to **Czech Republic**

Domestic Mission Teams

6/13 - 6/21 Evangelism Team #1 to participate in Keys Ministries in **Key West, FL**
7/9 - 7/16 Evangelism Team #2 to participate in Keys Ministries in **Key West, FL**
7/20 - 7/26 VBS Team with Venture Ministries in **Zoar, WI**
All Summer! Boardwalk Chapel Ministries in **Wildwood, NJ***
All Summer! Various disaster response teams in **Brick, NJ** - thank you!!**

* An article on the impact of the Boardwalk Chapel, written by OPC missionary to Uruguay, Jeni Richline, can be found here: <http://boardwalkchapel.org/about-us/a-night-on-the-boards/>

** Hurricane Sandy Response work is going well, but much more work remains to get all OPC families back into their homes. Please consider investing some of your summer serving in this way. Contact Charlie Farrell

Travel Insurance a MUST for Travel Abroad

Probably one of the most frequently forgotten items is travel medical insurance! Many don't realize that when they board a plane and leave their home country, there is a good chance that they are no longer covered by their health insurance. They may be a long ways away from the local emergency room! All members of OPC teams must have travel insurance! There are many good companies to choose from. Find out what David Nakhla typically purchases for teams at <http://opcstm.org/resources/>



Is your church's opportunity listed? Would you like a team this summer or at another time to help you? Please visit www.opcstm.org for more information on opportunities to serve. If you have a project or ministry opportunity that you would like to discuss with Short-Term Missions and Disaster Response Coordinator David Nakhla, please contact him by phone 562-760-7606 or e-mail at nakhla.1@opc.org.

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