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Are You Thinking About Short-Term Missions for 2018?



Members of Team Praha 2017

I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service. 1 Timothy 1:12 (ESV)

Are you considering participating in short-term missions next summer? Are you wondering what short-term missions are like? Do you need some inspiration to serve as a short-termer?

The smiling faces and brief comments of short-termers provided in the current issue of the S.T.O.R.M. Report offer just a glimpse into OPC short-term missions. Links to online reports, testimonials, photo galleries, and videos at OPCSTM.org give you the option to delve in further!

Therefore, this issue of the S.T.O.R.M. Report is best viewed in its full electronic format! Contact us at OPCShortTermMissions@opc.org to request to receive the S.T.O.R.M. Report by email! And, stay tuned for news of opportunities to get involved in short-term missions in the summer of 2018!

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"What I Learned ..." and Other Comments from 2017 Short-Termers

That even a very short missions trip can still be beneficial to my faith and friendships with people from my church.

I learned how much God uses things like small talk and pleasantries to further His kingdom, and how important those things are.

I wish that I took the time to serve God and people in specific ways like this more often.

He taught me that my "comfort zone" can actually be a bad place of complacency.

As a young person, I was incredibly blessed and edified by the older team members.

I did not expect to feel bonded with the team. Everything we did we did as if we were one mind.

The team testimonials were the most helpful to me in preparing for the trip to the Czech Republic.

I did become more comfortable in talking to unbelievers about Christ, and I praise God for growing me in this way.

That prayer is more important than action. That being around believers at all times is good for Gods people.

That God has given everyone different gifts and that no matter what ours is, there is a way we can use it for His glory and to help other saints.

It was a wonderful time where I believe I really had an impact on some of those I encountered and the entirety of the trip definitely affected me deeply.

God taught me that you learn much of what you actually believe by telling what you believe to others.

Got taught me much patience, humility and compassion. He also gave me a greater love for corporate prayer.

I learned how much work goes into teaching children. I gained a new appreciation for what such teachers do.

The global nature of his people, the difficulties missionaries face on the field, the precious fellowship that flows from serving the Lord/sharing his gospel together.

He showed me that no matter what hardships or obstacles we encounter (and there were plenty of those), He will always provide, and I have no reason to fear or try to control a situation that isn't mine to control.

Am so grateful the OPC provides short trips like these--it might be the very thing God uses to put me on the field long term!

It was challenging in ways that produced growth in my life. Thank you, Jesus.

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