



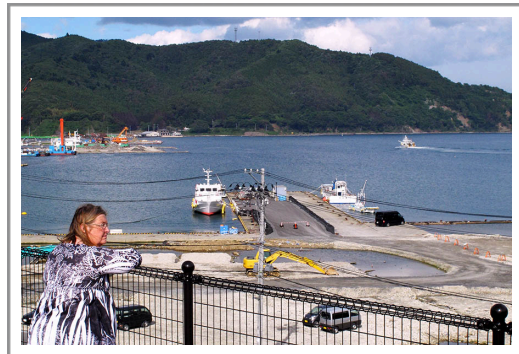
The Visionary



AN INSEPARABLE LINK

by Doug Lucas, President, Team Expansion

There is an inseparable link between what happens here at Emerald Hills and what happens in the lives of our team members living overseas. Here's just one tiny example: In June, we assembled a 6-person team here to visit the tsunami-stricken area of northeastern Japan. While there in Ishinomaki, our visiting team members were able to see firsthand the devastation wrought by the powerful waves. Our hosts were so busy with the reconstruction and the hands-on ministry, so we asked them to give us the bullet points of their next-step goals. Upon completion of our trip, we returned to Emerald Hills and fashioned a grant request to I.D.E.S. (International Disasters Emergency Services), a funding partner that had helped us with disaster relief at



times in the past. Last week, from our offices here at Emerald Hills, we were able to call the field team to inform them that I.D.E.S. had granted every facet of our request. They sent a check for \$175,625 to empower the Ishinomaki team to tackle the half-dozen ministry areas we described.

When our team here at International Services gathered in the Prayer Center and Atrium to give thanks to God for the much-needed help, a visiting team from Southeast Asia commented, "Doug, this must be one of the best parts of your job - being able to call people with this kind of news." Actually, there are MANY "best

parts" of my job, and one of them is understanding the connection between Emerald Hills and our field teams. It is inseparable.

FIELD HIGHLIGHT: THAILAND

by Lonnie and Courtney Holbrook

Bonus was one of the students that accompanied us to the English beach retreat. As we rode down to the beach, I asked Bonus questions to see if she had any spiritual interest. After getting nowhere for the first 20 minutes, I then threw out this question, "So have you had any cool dreams lately?" And this is what came out of her mouth, "Yeah,

there is this dream I keep having of a big guy in the judgment seat and there are all these angels in white robes and then there are these guys who take you to heaven or hell."

Bonus was a little more than surprised to find out that her dream was in the book of Revelation, nearly word for word. The guy next to me,

who is not a believer, said, "it sounds like God is trying to talk to you or something." It was an awesome experience to discover God working through this dreamer. God is continually surprising us with how He is at work. Please pray for Bonus and for more opportunities like this one!



PRAYER SHELTER SPOTLIGHT

WESTERVILLE

Westerville Christian Church decided to become a Project 29 partner because of their interest in unreached people groups. They believed Emerald Hills could become a core sending base for global outreach, and they wanted to help that vision become a reality.

The church is highly interested in reaching people in the Middle East, and they actively embrace students and visitors from a specific Middle Eastern country, sharing with them the love of Christ.

Praise God! Over the last two months Emerald Hills has held six weeks of training (Launch, Jonathan Training, Kairos, and CHE), debriefing for our summer interns, plus child care for some of those trainings, and various missionaries visiting us! *More than 175 participated and volunteered for these events.*

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Praise God for His continual provision for Emerald Hills.
- Ask God to raise up a buyer for the Hopewell House.
- Pray that Emerald Hills will always be a place to pray for the unreached as well as a place to mobilize and train harvest workers.
- Ask God to provide the means to eradicate the outstanding debt on the Prayer Center and Atrium.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

JULY 2012

Emerald Hills Fund

Balance 7-1-12	-\$45,199.39
July Receipts	\$11,885.00
July Expenses	\$11,358.80*
Checking account Balance 7-31-12	-\$44,673.19

*Balance owed to First Cap Bank: \$1.43 million

Receipts

Team Expansion (Richter)	\$20.00
Briar Ridge Christian Church	\$100.00
College Heights Christian Church	\$100.00
First Christian Church, Sullivan	\$200.00
Heritage Christian Church	\$200.00
Northwest Christian Church	\$200.00
Coastal Community Christian Church	\$250.00
Lake Eufaula Christian Church	\$308.00
Center Pointe Christian Church	\$375.00
Fern Creek Christian Church	\$400.00
Hazelwood Christian Church	\$500.00
Vansant Church of Christ	\$500.00
Westerville Christian Church	\$245.00
Crossroads Christian Church	\$825.00
Individuals	\$7,662.00
Total	\$11,885.00

Expenses

Banking Fee	\$10.00
Louisville Gas and Electric	\$1,001.29
Mortgage Payment	\$10,142.36
For More Support	\$132.00
Fuel	\$73.15
Total	\$11,358.80

*In addition to the balances noted above, we have set aside \$64,051.99 to fund future Maintenance and Improvements to Emerald Hills campus. The negative balance in the Emerald Hills Fund is possible because we are borrowing from a Maintenance and Improvement Fund and the Office General Fund.

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