

# Reaching Out Across the Street and Around the World Caring, Witnessing, Making Disciples

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Dear Friends,

Can you hear them? LOTS of talking, laughing, balls bouncing...P.R.E.P. Youth Ministry has started! The kids are excited to be here – all 23 of them! We have a maximum capacity of 25, due to transportation limitations, and I'm sure those last two slots will be filled before the end of the week. So many precious souls to love!



How I love this day! Today marks the beginning of our 5<sup>th</sup> year of youth outreach in Starkville. We have learned so much in those years, and through the years, our staff has developed a truly meaningful discipleship program. We couldn't do any of it without the many volunteers from the community and the university who help with tutoring, meals, field trips, and special events.

We are only a few weeks away from completion of the building! Just one classroom and a hallway left to finish, and then carpet for the rest of the upstairs. They're going to use one of the newly completed classrooms this summer, without carpet. I can hardly wait to hear them clomping around above my office!

I want to thank all of you for praying and giving so generously in response to our letter last month. Over \$10,000 was given, enabling us to move forward with flood prevention and completion of the upstairs rooms. We will finish the rooms and start using them, and wait to install carpet when we have sufficient funds. The youth also held a rummage sell June 7 & 8, and raised over \$700, so they are now have \$7500 of the needed \$10,000.



We received a special gift of \$500 for new church in Nigeria. In addition, one of the long-time supporters of Gospel Friends in India sent a gift for us to use as most needed, so part of it went to Nigeria, part to repairs of the Storehouse, and part to rebuilding homes destroyed by a typhoon in India.

Sir J.K. Udeze, our leader in Nigeria, wrote this to me on June 6: "My Kwara journey was successful. The church-planting there promises to be a great stride for the Lord in times like this... The killings go on unabated daily. Only God can change the situation." I know you will keep them in your prayers.

### PRAYER NOTES & MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES:

#### **LOCAL MINISTRIES:**

Men's Prayer Breakfast
Friday, 6:30 am
PREP (formerly known as YCE)
SUMMER: June 10 – July 25
Worship at the Claiborne

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 4 pm.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Jun 18 LAW at Kiwanis Club July LAW Sundays at Sandtown UMC, Philadelphia, MS

Jul 15-19 P.R.E.P. Washington, D.C. Jul 26 P.R.E.P. Closing Program &

Building Dedication

### PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES:

Training for 20 new pastors in Nigeria will begin shortly, including those who will lead the five new churches we are establishing.

Sir J.K. Udeze reports that the killing of Christians in Nigeria is non-stop. Pray that they will be bold in standing for the Gospel.

## Local Supporters -- Food for Summer Program is needed!

Can you help by providing breakfast and/or lunch for 30 people? A couple of breakfast casseroles, some ham sandwiches and fruit – it doesn't need to be fancy, just filling! Call Areal @ 334-468-2113 to sign up!

See our website for upcoming event details: http://www.christianworldmissions.org/newsand-events/ministry-eventsmissions/

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