

### A PLACE TO CALL HOME

### By Cheryl Harman

Many of you reading this newsletter have heard the Rev. Patsy McGregor speak. Her passion for serving the Lord is delivered with such joy; it is nothing short of contagious. During her recent stay in our home, we had the pleasure of working on plans for the Bishop's Residence/Hospitality Center and the Cathedral. Phil Crannell, who professionally prepared the plans, heard Patsy speak at his church in Florida and found himself in Toliara, Madagascar last November looking at the land for this complex. Contagious? Yes!

As we spoke, I glanced at Patsy, who could barely sit in her seat. The possibility of a real home with windows and porches was such a delight; her face was radiant. Patsy and I share the gift of hospitality along with defining ourselves with a home. Then it dawned on me, what I take for granted as a home hasn't been hers for a very long time. This will be a home with open doors and open hearts; a home over The Cathedral and Hospitality Center; a home of modest means but a home.

Please pray for the necessary funds to complete the Bishop's Residence/Hospitality Center and the Cathedral. \$100,000 is needed for the Bishop's Residence/Hospitality Center and \$200,000 for the Cathedral. The goal is to finish both projects by the end of 2009. Catch Patsy's passion. "I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength." Phil. 4:13



FAMILY NEWS ~ ALL TOGETHER!

CORBI IS PLAYING ON THE DICKINSON COLLEGE TENNIS TEAM. SHE CONTINUES TO BE BUSY AS A LEADER IN THE DICKINSON CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP AND IS A RA FOR FOR FRESHMAN GIRLS. SHE IS ALSO ENJOYING HER MAJOR IN NEURO-SCIENCE.

CHARESE HAS BEGUN SINGING IN THE URSINUS CHOIR AND IS ABLE TO EXPRESS HERSELF IN HER POETRY CLASS. SHE MAY BE A POLITICIAN SINCE SHE REALLY LIKES HER GLOBAL ECONOMICS CLASS WHICH HAS BEEN FOCUSING PARTLY ON THE US ELECTION. SHE HAS BEEN BUSY WITH INTERVARISTY FELLOWSHIP AND ENJOYS HER FRESHMEN GIRLS' BIBLE STUDY.

THE WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 8 &9, PATSY AND TODD TRAVELED TO MORONDAVA AND MAHABO TO DEDICATE TWO CHURCHES. CONFIRMATIONS, BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES WERE PERFORMED. HOW EXCITING THAT REVIVAL IS TAKING PLACE IN MADAGASCAR. BIBLES, PRAYER BOOKS, CROSSES, PEWS AND OTHER ITEMS ARE NEEDED.

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November 8th dedication of Morondava Church (above) and November 9th dedication of Mahabo Church (right).

# ₩ PRP MISSION J

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These three "E's": Economic development, Education and Evangelism are the pillars of PRP's mission.

Our core values remain: Glorifying God (Rev: 7:11b-12) Transformation in Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17) Living the Great Commission (Matt. 28: 18-21) Serving with Christian Integrity (Eph. 4:1, 5:1)

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#### **PRAISE & PRAYER**



- Praise for a successful meeting of the PRP Board held in August at Kinloch Farm Virginia. From front left, Laura Verinder, Barb Johnson, Patsy and Todd McGregor, Syd Verinder. Back left, Randy and Lori Degler, Phil Johnson, John Griffin, R. Scott Purdy, Cheryl and Will Harman, Craig Cole and Cindy Fay.
- PRAISE and THANKS to The Episcopal Church bead office for their partnership in the ministry since 1999.



•Youth revival continues to grow in Toliara.

•Funds to purchase a Ford Ranger have come in.

•Praise for a wonderful **Lambeth Conference**. Please go to the website and download the Lambeth update!

- PRAYER for completed title of land for the Cathedral complex.
- Please pray for funding for Bishop's house and Cathedral.
- Smooth transition for McGregors to SAMS mission sending agency.
- Grant to begin a saving and loan project in southern Madagascar.
- Grant to start an economic and social development office in Toliara.
- Corbi and Charese transition to American culture.
- Visit <u>www.peoplereaching.org</u> for ministry details.

# SHORT-TERM TEAMS PREPARE FOR 2009-2010 MISSION TRIPS

TEAMS FROM THE USA ARE MAKING PLANS FOR TRAVEL TO MADAGASCAR TO SPREAD THE GOSPEL TO THE POOREST OF THE POOR. THE NEXT TEAM SCHEDULED IS FROM BOCA RATON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL LED BY AMY BARNHILL. AMY IS A STUDENT WHO WAS SO IMPACTED FROM GOING TO KENYA TWO YEARS AGO THAT SHE IS NOW HEADING A TEAM. THEY ARE TRAVELING NOV. 20TH THROUGH DEC. 3RD, FOCUSING ON BIBLE STUDY, TEACHING ENGLISH AND EVANGELISM.

FROM MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, A TEAM BY DOWNLINE MINISTRIES WILL MAKE THEIR SECOND MISSION TRIP TO TOLIARA, TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 2009. THIS FOLLOW-UP TRIP WILL FOCUS ON TRAINING PASTORS AND EVANGELISTS FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTRY OF MADAGASCAR IN THE BIBLICAL STANDARD OF DISCIPLESHIP. FOR MORE INFORMATION, GO TO HTTP://WWW.DOWNLINEMINISTRIES.COM.

PRP BOARD MEMBERS CHERYL AND WILL HARMAN FROM THE CHAPEL OF SAINT ANDREW, BOCA RATON, FL, WILL LEAD AN INTERGENERATIONAL TEAM FROM MANY CHURCHES IN THE SE FLORIDA DIOCESE TO TOLIARA IN JULY. THE TEAM WILL PARTICIPATE IN CHURCH BUILDING PROJECTS AND MINISTRY EFFORTS SIMILAR TO ACTS 2:42-47, SUPPORTING THE MCGREGORS' WORK. FOR DETAILS, E-MAIL CHERYL AT <u>CMH103@AOL.COM</u>.

ALSO IN JULY, A THIRD MISSION TEAM WILL TEACH CHRISTIAN BUSINESS MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES AND THE BASICS OF COMMUNITY-BASED SAVING GROUPS. LED BY PRP BOARD MEMBERS LAURA AND SYD VERINDER OF THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA, THIS TEAM WILL ALSO EXPLORE REGIONAL RESOURCES TO BE CONSIDERED FOR PRP'S VACATION WITH A PURPOSE PROGRAM.

YOUR PRAYERS AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT ARE CRITICAL TO THE WORK OF THESE AND FUTURE MISSION TEAMS TO SOUTHERN MADAGASCAR. PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER ORGANIZING A MISSION TEAM TO SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST. FOR INFORMATION ABOUT FORMING A MISSION TEAM, CONTACT SYD AT <u>SVERINDER@HOTMAIL.COM</u> OR VISIT THE VACATION WITH A PURPOSE SITE AT HTTP://VWAP.PEOPLEREACHING.ORG.

## MCGREGORS TO PARTNER WITH SAMS-USA ~ By Laura Verinder

TODD AND PATSY ARE EXCITED ABOUT ANNOUNCING A NEW PARTNERSHIP IN THEIR MINISTRY. AFTER EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS, THE MCGREGORS HAVE ESTABLISHED A PARTNERSHIP WITH SAMS-USA (WWW.SAMSUSA.ORG) AS A MISSIONARY SENDING AGENCY. SAMS (SOUTH AMERICAN MISSION SOCIETY) IS ONE OF THE OLDEST ANGLICAN/EPISCOPAL MISSION AGENCIES HAVING WORKED WITH MISSIONARIES FOR OVER 150 YEARS. SAMS IS PLEASED TO WORK WITH THE MCGREGORS AS THEIR ESTABLISHED MISSION ACTIVITIES IN MADAGASCAR AND EAST AFRICA HELP SPREAD SAMS' OUTREACH EFFORTS.

WITH THE TERMINATION OF THE FORMAL MISSIONARY RELATIONSHIP WITH THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH, TODD AND PATSY WERE FACING SOME SIGNIFICANT ADMINISTRATIVE CHALLENGES INCLUDING ADMINISTRATION OF THEIR SALARY/ TAX LIABILITY, HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE AND PENSION PROGRAM. SAMS IS ABLE TO OFFER THIS ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT AS WELL AS SEVERAL ADDITIONAL BENEFITS. THROUGH SAMS, THE MCGREGORS WILL BE ABLE TO OFFER THEIR DONORS THE EASE OF PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD AND AUTOMATIC MONTHLY DONATIONS. INCREASED VISIBILITY THROUGH THE SAMS WEB SITE AND OTHER SAMS MARKETING WILL HELP SPREAD THE WORD OF THE MINISTRY AND WILL OFFER A NEW SOURCE OF SHORT TERM MISSION TEAM SUPPORT.

THIS CHANGE DOES INCREASE THE FINANCIAL BURDEN ON THE MCGREGORS. THE COST OF HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS, PENSION AND TAX LIABILITY PREVIOUSLY FUNDED BY THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH WILL NOW NEED TO BE RAISED AS PART OF THE MINISTRY FUNDRAISING. SAMS CHARGES A COMPETITIVE PERCENTAGE TO COVER ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS. THE PEOPLE REACHING PEOPLE BOARD DID A CAREFUL COMPARISON OF SENDING AGENCIES AND SAMS OFFERED THE BEST VALUE WITH INCREASED BENEFITS OF ALL OPTIONS EXAMINED.

DONATION COLLECTION WILL TRANSITION FROM THE DIOCESE OF SOUTHEAST FLORIDA TO SAMS IN MARCH 2009. THE MCGREGORS (AND THE ENTIRE PRP BOARD) THANK THE DIOCESE OF SOUTHEAST FLORIDA FOR THEIR CONTINUING SUPPORT OF THIS MINISTRY.