

Teamwork Associates News

September 2009

Sowing In Time of Famine

Teamwork church has been motivated to continue to give in harsh economics times through the example of Isaac as recorded in Genesis 26:12 "Isaac planted crops in that land and the same year reaped a hundredfold, because the LORD blessed him"(NIV).

Verses 1-3 encourage us to continue at our post, obedient to the vision and mandate given to Teamwork Associates with assurance that the God who promises is faithful.

Teamwork is experiencing unprecedented challenges financially and we ask you our friends and supporters to give while we express much thanks for your support over the years.

Teamwork now accepting electronic funds transfer (EFT) donations

How would you like to further The Lord's work in Jamaica without doing anything on a regular basis directly from home? Sound interesting? Let me explain.

Teamwork Associates, in conjunction with Guardian Payment Systems, has instituted an automated giving program that allows TWA's supporters the opportunity and option of contributing a small donation on a regular basis, where 100% goes directly to the support of His work in Jamaica.

This involves you simply filling out a short authorization form that allows your checking or savings account to be automatically debited each month in the amount YOU specify. We can also handle VISA/MasterCard/Debit and Discover credit cards.

Guardian Payment Systems will

process all donations free of charge through Teamwork's long time Minnesota Partner Organization, Project Increase. They will accept the donations on behalf of TWA in Jamaica, and your gifts can be specified for particular projects or areas such as the school, the church, or special programs.

Persons who have been sending through Teamwork USA may continue to do so, however those who want to make use of the payment system please contact Paul Detlefson at 651-450-0174.

Signing up today will immediately allow TWA to more effectively budget to meet the needs of those Teamwork is called to serve in Jamaica. Please consider a minimum gift of \$25 per month. You can discontinue at any time you wish, as well as increase it any time you wish, or increase it for a specific time or occasion, such as the holidays.

Work Teams

This year so far we have been blessed by missions and work teams from the United States: Mission Discovery, Calvary Bible Church NJ, Traverse City Christian School, Church of Incarnation Dallas; as well as local groups who have used our facilities for retreats, seminars, weddings and birthday parties.

These have greatly enhanced the ministry in several ways and we ask that you help promote the **Teamwork Christian Resort and Conference Centre** for additional groups in the coming months. Special thanks to Karlene England who in addition to Accounts is now undertaking the responsibility of the Resort Manager.

Teamwork School

Hearty congratulations to our students for their academic achievement in the recent GSAT, CSEC and CCSLC exams & Grade 4

Literacy and Numeracy. Top achievers were:

Akilah Muirhead GSAT

Sherina Grant CSEC

Demar McGregor & Chadrick Miller CCSLC (both young men are now being trained in Food Services in the Hotel Industry having attained

HEART level 1 certificates. Note-worthily is the fact that they started in the Special Education at Teamwork) One mother said she was only hoping that he would learn to read and now is overjoyed at what her son has achieved.

Alanzo Clarke Grade 4 Literacy

The restructuring process that has taken place over several months has helped us to once again focus on our vision and mission and led to the decision to focus our efforts and build at the Kinder/Prep level.

In addition there is the exciting new development at the high school level with the establishment of the Institute of Learning as a partnership between parents and teachers. Special emphasis is on student centered learning and the use of technology to enhance the teaching/learning process.

Please be in prayer with a group in Michigan currently working on a project to refurbish and equip the school's main computer laboratory.

We are indeed grateful to the Church of Incarnation of Dallas, our Operations Manager, Randel Robinson and maintenance contractor, Noel Grubb for the cleaning, painting and repair work done for the start of the new school year.

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Planning seminar for teachers started August 31 when school also reopened for Grades 1 & 6. The rest of the school reopens on September 7.

Teamwork Church

Expectations in the light of the appointment of a new pastor in August 2008 did not materialize and as a result Mr. Kevon Vidal is no longer with us. **Please remember the Vidal family in prayer.**

Please join us in prayer as we trust God to build his church and work towards that end.

Thanks again to you all especially for your support in prayer. We also remember your situations before the throne of grace and praise God for fellowship in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Arrival of Bus

We praise God that the Ford Econoline bus arrived back at the Centre from the garage on September 9 with the new engine installed. Special thanks to all those who helped to make this a reality.

Website Changes

Our website is undergoing major changes. Send us any ideas and recommendations you may have.

*Jamaica land we love
remains a priority item on
our prayer agenda
as does the peace of
Jerusalem.*

Be reminded that contributions may be sent to:

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P.O. Box 131,
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St. James,
Jamaica

or lodged to the

Teamwork Associates Jamaica
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or tax deductible to

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Pitman,
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