



# TEAMWORK MINISTRIES

## A Ministry on the Move

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### Mission Opportunities For You

This year, we have many mission trips and mission projects planned. We are compelled more than ever to reach the unreached, even in the remotest areas that have been forgotten. We believe that God wants all souls of all races, cultures and creeds to have the opportunity to hear the gospel so that they can know Christ, the Savior of the World.

In addition to the mission to The City of Hope, we want to give you the opportunity to join us on the Kenya mission. This mission is for those able to teach, preach, sing and share at various conferences. We want to help bring hope and healing after the devastation many experienced in Kenya last year.

**Kenya Mission: Aug. 2 - 16**

### Girl Scouts from Richmond Reach out to The City of Hope

Troop 3162 is a multilevel troop of 30+ girls ranging from 5 to 18 years old. The girls are exposed to a variety of different experiences. They are pen pals with troops from Illinois, Kansas, Michigan and Pennsylvania.

When Dr. Chacha came and talked about the City of Hope, the troop leader, Geraldine Johnson thought that it would be great for the troop to adopt a 'girl' and call her their 'Tanzania Girl Scout'. The girls each began having ideas of how they could help. They also became excited about bringing items for the 'City of Hope' and raising money for the adoption. They made cards for their newfound sisters and brothers in Tanzania.



Dr. Chacha and Regina made a special trip to Richmond to meet with the girls and thank them for their generosity. It is

### Dear Friends and Partners,

Welcome to 2009! 2008 is a year that many will never forget! What a year! We know of many families who have seen their financial net-worth shrink; many have lost their businesses, homes, or jobs. For some, 2008 was a year that they couldn't handle and they ended up committing suicide. These were not just poor people, but even multi-billionaires like Adolf Merckle.

You may ask how someone with billions of dollars can lose hope when they have a little set-back, but it can happen to anyone when their hope is in the wrong things. It all comes down to the choices we make in how we live our life. Some people have learned to earn well, but they haven't learned to live well.

Starting a new year does not automatically solve last year's problems. In fact, we are still experiencing a tough season where many families are facing financial challenges and uncertainties in many areas. However, I want to encourage you to remember that God is still in control. You can face tough times with hope in your heart. I believe that things will turn around for the better this year. This will be a year of many great opportunities and new possibilities. Keep your eyes open and be in tune with the leading of the Holy Spirit.

### Make New Choices For 2009

#### 1. Choose to persevere in tough times

In real life, things are not always smooth. Sometimes things get tough or go contrary to our plans. To be a winner, you have to choose to persevere. Choose to trust God for BIG things in 2009. Release your God-given dream and don't let those who lead small lives influence and limit you.

Don't leave your future to chance, luck or someone else's hands. Leave it in God's hands, who wants you to be proactive. Hold to your visions even when it seems unclear. This year, choose to climb over barriers when it is easier to quit. Face and view every obstacle as a blessing to increase your knowledge, strength, and resolve. Be determined to be a winner in Christ no matter what may come your way. God told Joshua:

**"This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9**

Remember, how you deal with challenges can strengthen your faith in God or weaken you. Some people have faced numerous challenges in their lives, yet maintained a positive outlook. Christ is your rock..... **The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge. He is my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. Psalm 18:2.**

I like Paul's attitude toward hard times. He told the Corinthians:

**We are hard pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair, persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed. . . . I Corinthians 2:8-10**

Be like a tree, stretch upward and outward to the full measure of our possibilities. ...

**Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers. But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.**

Psalm 1:1-3

#### 2. Choose to live by Faith.

True faith is action-oriented. People with real faith are doers of the word not just talkers. By acting in faith, we show that we truly believe in what we are speaking. Action is the proof of the reality of our faith. When we do what we can do, we release our faith for the miracles needed in the areas we have no

so exciting to see young people getting a vision for reaching others. They are selling cookies and raising funds through other means to be able to give the annual donation. It is so exciting to see their enthusiasm and their dedication to helping another girl who lives half-way around the world have a better chance in life.

### **Our New Dream Center - a training center at The City of Hope**

Bruce Hughes, a wonderful brother in the Lord, has agreed to oversee this project. He will be sending his crew at the end of June to start the construction. Most of the materials will be bought and shipped in containers from here. We are estimating that the cost of this project will be \$250,000. We are looking for those who can donate building materials, computers, or sewing machines to be in touch with our office. This will help to cut our cost.



**Graduation - South Africa 2008**

We hope that you will stand with us in prayers and financial support. We continue to aggressively progress at the City of Hope. There are many opportunities available. Please write or call our office if you want to be involved.

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control over. Make this year a year of action. Release your creativity. Faith is creative. Faith helps us to recognize our possibilities, it unleashes our capacity to think outside the box, to create solve problems in new ways. Faith is not limited to old ways of doing things but releases new ideas and new strategies. Read Hebrews 11:1-3.

### **3. Choose to help others.**

Be compassionate because compassion activates faith. Compassion recognizes the needs of others and places their welfare first. This, in turn, activates faith to see their situations turned around. As we share our heart of compassion and our faith, our faith will increase. We will inspire others to join us.

Compassion will propel us to go and fulfill the great commission.

**Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.**  
**Matthew 28:19 - 30**

As you face 2009, face it with confidence. Don't become less than you have the capacity to be. Soar high like an eagle. Limiting choices can lead to an empty life and constant apprehension instead of a life of wondrous anticipation. Choose to become all that you can possibly be. Create wealth for God's Kingdom and share as much as you possibly can. This year use every godly avenue to produce and accomplish as much as we possibly can to support God's work.

### **4. Choose to be a blessing in 2009.**

You choose to give... knowing that you must give before you will receive, and that what you give will return to you many times in the most incredible ways. Let us seek to win souls for the Kingdom, let us not neglect small children and the elderly. Let us build their hope in God. Let us feed a hungry child, cloth the naked and give hope to the hopeless. Preach the gospel of the Kingdom without wavering.

**For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in . . . Matthew 25:35**

## **Be Our Partner**

If you are not supporting Teamwork on a regular basis we ask that you consider it for 2009. We are having a great impact in the nations. We are continuing to start new Bible schools and expanding our curriculum. We believe in leadership training and taking the gospel to the nations.

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## **Thankfulness**

Today, do not forget to be thankful. God has done so much for us. Let us learn how to focus on each today's miracles, and be aware of the abundance surrounding us. Let us constantly embrace God's richest blessings and salvation.

We hope to hear from you soon.

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