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"Go into all the world.."

Josh Hueni, along with five other Cedarville guys and a few native Guatemalans, jumped out of the bed of a small pickup truck and loosened his cramped body. The day before had been a six hour van ride, and the men were now stuck on the side of a mountain after twelve hours in a pickup on one-lane, dirt, mountain roads. The ride, which had been up and down switchbacks, dodging a perpetual onslaught of semi and dump trucks, had finished prematurely as a landslide had completely eliminated the road in front of them. The men continued to move on foot, sometimes tip-toeing across eight-inch wide paths that had been scraped into a vertical dirt wall. After two and a half hours of hiking, they finally reached their destination and were welcomed by 800 curious stares. The villagers knew these men were coming, but many had never in their lives seen a white person.

Most of the village professed some sort of Christian belief, but because of a lacking translation of the Bible and some serious post-war trust problems, the people were poorly united. The team went into the village specifically for the purpose of loving, teaching and unifying the people. Each day they would spend time working with the men, playing with the kids, and teaching everyone during the evening church services. "It was incredible to see Christian brothers helping Christian brothers," Hueni said, "and to be just a small part of the experience."

A little ways east of Guatemala, in the Dominican Republic,



there is a cook that kept a group of Cedarville women fed during their time serving a missionary family this spring. Despite being unceasingly surrounded by Christians and the gospel, this cook was not a child of God. At the end of their time in the Dominican, the girls asked the cook to come outside so that they could sing to her as thanks for her incredible service all week. The woman wept at this simple display of Christ's love and

another Dominican woman was able to take her aside and share some more of this love with her. Olivia Dolph, one of the women on the trip expressed that, "it was refreshing to sit back and watch God at work and how he has used so many lives to build up and encourage the life of this one lady."

These are just two brief stories of the many that come from the twenty-seven teams that went all around the world this past year, through Cedarville's Mission Involvement Services (MIS) program. The purpose of MIS is to provide students with very real missions experiences while also serving individual missionaries and their outreaches.

Over the past 37 years, MIS has sent nearly 4,000 students to

67 different countries. Teams from Cedarville have become a desirable aid, albeit short-term, to missionaries all around the world. Dr. Callan, one of the key individuals in catalyzing the MIS program, says that Cedarville has, "one of the strongest programs among Christian colleges." The reason for such a strong program, he explains, is that the administration has made the Christian Ministries Division one of the most fundamental functions of Cedarville University. This is a unique blessing that students would be wise to take full advantage of.

Coming in October will be a week specifically set aside for MIS teams and other world missions opportunities. During this week, students will receive exposure and information on both past and

upcoming chances for missions work. Chapel attendance during this week is pertinent, as students can listen to testimonies, talk with people who have been on trips of interest and collect application information. Until that week, there are two ways that students can be proactive toward these trips: The first is to begin applying for a passport. These can take months to receive and, if taken care of right away, will not become a hassle when the day of its use arrives. The second is to pray. Ask the Lord for wisdom and guidance and listen to the Spirit to see if and where he is calling his workers.

For more information on MIS teams, visit www.cedarville.edu/missionsinvolvement

Calendar of Events

Dorm Wars

Contact Michell Kropf for community service opportunities
- September 9 - October 6

MIS Week

- October 8-11

Spring Break and MIS Applications coming in October! Look for emails, information tables and announcements.

Visit cedarville.edu/christianministries/touringteams to view the schedules for Cedarville's many touring teams.

Go to cedarville.edu/excelsignup to check out the upcoming EXCEL Leadership sessions.

The following are area ministry needs. Refer to the contact information to learn more about any of these ministries.

Bridges International, WSU Campus Crusade for Christ

Margaret Eustace, Student Leader
937-426-2031
937-238-4054
sunny2964@yahoo.com

Need two or more men to co-lead an evangelical bible study for Chinese students, as well as several students to serve as Friendship Partners with WSU internationals

Korean Baptist Church of Cincinnati

4829 Myrtle Ave.
Cincinnati, OH 45242
Assc. Pastor Dennis Betts
513-891-3394
513-683-0598
bettsdennis@yahoo.com

Need a person or team to lead a Bible study (10:30am) and worship (11:30am) for Jr. & Sr. high students on Sundays

Mottville Bible Church

Ted Jones, Youth Pastor
10455 U. S. 12 W
White Pidgeon, MI 49099
937-474-3459

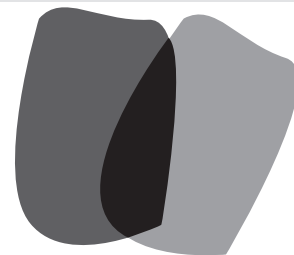
youthpastor12000@yahoo.com
Looking for a Christian worship band for an evangelistic outreach with 200 kids on 10/13/07 at Constantine H. S. in Constantine, MI, about 4.5 hours away

Morningstar Baptist Church

208 Nutt Rd.
Centerville, OH 45458
Pastor Don Clarkson
937-885-1206

rev.donclarkson@sbc.org
Volunteers needed for Sunday am, birth to 4 years Sunday School, Sunday am, children's church and Sunday pm, preschool or children's choir.

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