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Restoring Children! Strengthening Families!

"The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone" Psalm 118:22

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The number of
street boys
reconciled with
family by Capstone
Ministries to date:

311

3 reconciled in April

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"Vital role of Mentorship"

"From Miletus, Paul sent to Ephesus for the elders of the church."

Acts 20:17

For more than two years Paul labored in Ephesus, training, equipping and mentoring those who would take the Gospel to the world after his departure from it. Even after much of their training was complete he still saw fit to send for them while on his way to Jerusalem, even though he knew his days were numbered on this earth.

If you had only a few years to live and you knew it, how would you spend your time? Got that "Bucket list" handy? In the kingdom, there is a bucket list also but it is not about personal gratification and experience like the movie. It is about passing on the baton to the next generation, encouraging others to remain faithful and dedicated to the cause of Christ.

Capstone has nine students sponsored in secondary school. These days there are many challenges in secondary schools for students in Kenya. Promiscuity, homosexuality, stealing, cheating, drunkenness, rowdy behavior. Need I continue?

The need for mentoring is very great. That is why we bring them all together in April for encouragement, accountability and exposure to those who have walked this walk before. Board members, community leaders, professionals and Capstone staff attend. The intention: We don't assume that just because it has been years since these young men have been reconciled from the street that there are no more temptations in their life. Rather, life is just beginning for them. The same reason Paul called for the elders on Miletus is why we call for all nine to come for encouragement and life instruction. Pray for these young men. They have a long journey ahead of them.

We praise and thank God for those who generously chose to sponsor these students. If you are interested in doing the same, we have a number of Grade 8 boys entering high school next year. Write for info.



Prayers, Praises

1. Dan returns to Kenya on June 8. Pray for safe travels.
2. Pray for all the Ambassadors of Capstone who spread the word in their churches.
3. We are still looking for a missionary couple or individuals who are interested in foreign mission work and might consider long or short term service with Capstone. Write to Dan and Patty for more info.
4. In late May Patty visit California for a few weeks to attend a wedding. Pray for safe travels.
5. Pray for good health and safety for Patty as she keeps the gears of Capstone moving in Kenya alone while Dan travels in the US.
6. Praise for our mothers, Josey and Chrysta, who are both strong and active in their 80's.
7. Thanksgiving for those who hosted and will host Dan on his travels. They are already too many to mention.
8. Pray for good friends and fellow missionaries Derek and Penny Oliver who are serving at Capstone currently and learning more about Capstone's processes and procedures.
9. Dan and Patty will visit New England and California in Sept.-Dec. If you would like them to visit your church, school or gathering, please write. Times are filling fast but there are still some available times.
10. Interested in short term mission trips for your church? Read this first.
<http://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/why-you-should-consider-cancelling-your-short-term-mission-trips>
11. Pray for little 10 year old Amelia Gillard who has been in the ICU in Minneapolis for a week for an infection from surgery last November. She is greatly improving and even took a walk outside yesterday. Jacob is her dad and is a good friend and missionary with World Mission Prayer League.
12. We offer the following names for intercession, trusting the Lord knows their circumstance: Jennifer, Pat, Barry, Eunice, Gabriel, Christian, Troy, Phil, Liz, Mary Anne, Mike, Jim, Joel, Jen, Jan, Susan, Landon, Ernie, Lori, Timothy, Curt, Alexa, Nicole, Elisabeth, Rod, Donna, Delanna, Bob, Daniel, Amelia

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Dan's trip to USA

Dan traveled alone to the USA this spring. He is finishing his tour at this writing and will return to Kenya on June 8. Thanks to all those who heard the message of this vital work of God and support Capstone Ministries. We praise God for his safe travels and for those who have heard about Capstone thus far. Below is the remaining schedule of his fund raising tour.

May 2,3 Timothy Lutheran, Blue Springs, MO

May 4-6 NED of LCMS Pastors Conference

May 10 First Lutheran, Boston, MA

University students gathering of First Lutheran

May 13 Timothy Lutheran School Chapel, Blue Springs, MO

May 17 Trinity Lutheran, Norman, OK

May 24 Christ Lutheran, Elba Lake, MN

Zion Lutheran, Hoffmann, MN

May 27 Trinity Lutheran School chapel, Freistadt, WI

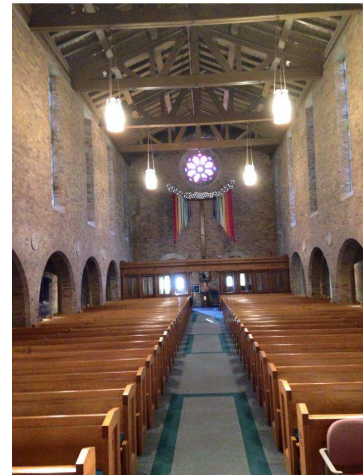
May 31 Trinity Lutheran, Toledo, OH

June 6 Immanuel, Valparaiso, IND

June 6,7 So. Wis. District Convention, Milwaukee, WI

Photo of the Month

The beautiful interior of St. James Lutheran in W. St. Paul, MN that Dan visited in April



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