

Teleios Ministry

Helping God-Given Visions Become Present-Day Realities

Seeing All Miracles Inside A Kenya Medical Camp

By Carol Kabaru

My name is Carol Wangare Kabaru and I'm a Kenyan. I'm a member of Koinonia Baptist Church, Ruaka and the second daughter to Bernard Kabaru Mwangi. I'm from a family of four and from the Kikuyu tribe, the largest tribe in Kenya.

I was privileged to be part of a three-day medical camp in Laikipia at a new Baptist church by the name Shalom. After the national elections in 2007, political clashes left many homeless, so the government placed some refugees in that area.

We had a team of 11 medics from Grace Church in Greenville, S.C., who partnered with doctors from Kenya in the camp. We also had about 30 pastors from churches in Kenya who volunteered to help in translating and evangelizing, and 20 women who helped with cleaning and cooking.

I worked in the pharmacy area which was the last stop for the patients and I can say for sure that the joy and hope that people left with was evident. Even though we have medical facilities in Kenya,

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Some of these children were among the first orphans who came to the newly established Daily Bread Life Children's Home in Iringa, Tanzania, in 2004.

What Do You Want To Be When You Grow Up?

This used to be a question most of the children in the photo above could only dream of actually being able to ask, much less expect to have any kind of answer.

But now, 12 years later, some of these first children at Daily Bread Life Children's Home in Iringa, Tanzania, are shouting from the mountaintop "I am a teacher!" "I am an auto mechanic!" "I am a doctor!"

Yes, thanks to the prayers and faithful support of many who have believed in giving these children a chance not only at life, but at an education, they are not only doing well, they are exceeding all expectations!

Providing financial support and

scholarships over the years has helped make a world of difference in the lives of these youth; the impact of which is only beginning to be seen.

As the reputation of DBLCH and its staff continues to grow, more and more orphans are being placed under its care. Teleios Ministry and her partners are committed to helping each of these children become who God created them to be.

You might be asking, "How can I help one of these children find out what God has purposed for them?" The answer: By committing to investing in their education.

There are a variety of scholarship
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2017 Is Shaping Up To Be A Busy Year!



The 2017 calendar is filling up fast as requests from Teleios partners for teams to come lead discipleship training, leadership development for women and men, youth retreats and children's summer camps have come to us during the last few months.

For example, in addition to the annual Gypsy Children's Summer Camp in Romania, a children's camp in Tanzania is now on the calendar for June.

We are fairly certain about trips during the months listed below, but concrete dates can be adjusted slightly to accommodate volunteer participation. Cost estimates are being assessed and will be provided after the first of the year.

Please know that if the Lord is calling you or you are praying about going on one of these trips, do not let cost be your determining factor! Funding for some trips may be available or fundraisers may take place to help offset expenses.

For more information, contact Floyd Parker at 864-322-9775 or floyd.parker@teleiosministry.org.

Tanzania

March 24-April 3, 2017

Women's Conference: March 26-30
Leadership Training: March 31-April 1

June 1-16

Children's Camp: June 5-8
Leadership Conference: June 10-16

Kenya

April 2017

August 2017

Romania

July or August

Gypsy Children's Camp

September or October

Construction Project

MIRACLES

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it's hard for the less privileged to get to a hospital let alone get treated and have medicine. So the medical camp for them was like a miracle and a great platform for us to share the love of Christ with them. They were so grateful even without the assurance of how they'll get the next dose or if they'll feel better.

Personally, the medical camp made me realize how much God has given me that I take for granted. We had patients who came in hungry and weak, but they had so much peace in their hearts which was really humbling for me. Some of the

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community members didn't have tables at their house during the medical camp because they gave them to the church (for use during camp). Some of the women slept on the cold floor because they were helping in the kitchen.

God has given us so many opportunities to serve and spread His love with our brothers and sisters in Christ and we are challenged to do that as Christians. I am very grateful to Grace Church for all the missions they do in Kenya because it really means a lot to my people. May God bless them as they continue serving in Kenya.

Editor's Note: Carol was in the United States in November to tour colleges in the Greenville, S.C. area and to visit with Teleios partners.

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options that provide support for these children.

Using the Christmas Catalog link below, you can scroll to page 5 and learn of the options available:

http://www.teleiosministry.org/Christmas%20Catalog%202016_SinglePg%20for%20Website.pdf

Thank you for making a difference!



Agrey



Alan



William

For God So Love The World, He Gave...

By Bonnie Parker

You know Christmas really is all about giving. The trouble is believers often get confused about what giving really means this time of year.

We spend hours wondering about something to give those we love; maybe even more hours wandering around numerous stores looking for the perfect gift.

Many times we spend large amounts of cash on a gift that our loved ones neither need nor want. And, if by chance, they did

need it, they purchased it for themselves already! Our mental energy and time are spent for naught.

God gave the perfect Christmas gift to the entire world – He gave His Son – part of Himself. Jesus is the gift everybody needs; the gift of salvation is the gift no one can acquire apart from Him.

We cannot give eternal salvation, but we can give part of ourselves to others this holiday season. Spend your time, your energy this Christmas visiting a lonely

person, listening to someone who needs to share, running errands for an elderly person, helping a young couple find time for one another by providing childcare for an evening, getting to know your neighbor...the list of ways to “give yourself” is endless.

This list is made up of things a person cannot give or buy oneself. Each one of us knows someone who could use a gift such as these. As believers, Christmas is the perfect time to emulate our Savior by giving of ourselves.

Around The World With Teleios Teams

Bill and Debbie Kenny joined Floyd and Bonnie Parker in September on a trip to Kenya where they celebrated the dedication of the Shalom Baptist Church sanctuary, children's building and office, as well as participated in Women's Leadership and Men's Leadership Conferences and the annual Life Change Investments (LCI) Business Conference.



The crowd gathers to dedicate the new facilities at Shalom Baptist Church.



Lucy Muteithia shares her chapati recipe with Debbie Kenny.



Everyone lends a hand in setting up for the Women's Leadership Conference.

Roundup Of Good News From Romania

SACELE

The Sacele Mission Center (Church) is just one paper away from getting permission to demolish the existing barn on the Sacele property. Otto Kis has been working a long time for this dream to become a reality. Months of going back and forth getting permission for all the different utilities and government authorities is just one permit away from being finished.

Once the barn is demolished, construction can begin in Spring 2017 on the Mission Center Complex that will include housing, a worship center, hostel and discipleship center focused on children and youth.

PERIS

The Children's Home in Peris has been a dream of Attila Toth for 10 years. The land has been purchased, the architectural drawings for the house are complete, and the papers are filed. Now, the

waiting for final approval to demolish a part of the existing building begins. This approval is needed so construction on the living quarters can begin. In Romania, a permit is required to demolish as well as build.

Apalina

The Apalina Roma Church Afterschool Program made some changes earlier this year in order to accommodate growth. Going from a 5th-8th grade to a 1st-4th grade program opened the door for a significant increase in children. At first, the hope was for 40 children. On the first day of afterschool, 45 children showed up! Since that time, the number of children has continued to grow. Now, more than 50 are registered for the program.

Please pray for the staff as they teach, cook and prepare for the children. Currently, the afterschool is in serious need of at least one additional teacher. Please add this need to your prayer list.

Around The World With Teleios Teams

A November trip to Tanzania proved to be a busy one. From joining in worship at ACTS Fellowship Tanzania to meeting the children at Daily Bread Life Children's Home and working on renovations and updates at DBLCH, the Teleios Team stayed on the go!



Members of the Teleios Team and youth from Daily Bread Life Children's Home worked together to complete updates at the DBLCH compound to help control water runoff.

This Just In...

From Canada...

Toronto – Daniel and Adina Pusok announce the birth of a son, Krisztian, born Nov. 22. He weighed 7 lbs., 7 oz. and was 21 inches long. Shalome, Deborah and Olivia are proud “big sisters.” The Pusoks serve the Hungarian Baptist Church of Toronto.

From Kenya...

Lamuria – The POWER is on! We have been waiting almost a year for electricity to be connected at the Transformation Center in Nyeri County. The first phase includes a house, guesthouse and office with meeting area. Bernard Kabaru Mwangi and Robert Muteithia, with Life Empowerment for Transformation, Inc. (LEFTI), already have events scheduled there in 2017. The Center encompasses over 30 acres of land, a water well and has more than 60 goats, sheep, cows and chickens on its farm. Future plans include a high school, a technical training center and large-scale produce farming.

Donations Of ‘Big Ticket’ Tools, Equipment Needed

Do you have a tractor with bush hog, plows or other attachments?

Do you have a welding machine?

Do you have a pontoon boat?

Do you have an SUV?

How about a wood planer or lathe?

Any mechanic’s tools?

If you do, then Teleios Ministry has partners in need of them here in the United States, as well as some who are overseas.

The needs for these items are as varied as the items themselves, but will allow our partners to continue in their efforts to serve their villages and communities.

If you’d like to donate, call Floyd Parker at 864-322-9775 and he will be happy to pick them up.

Christmas Catalog Provides Variety Of Gift Options

“And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.”
- Galatians 6:9

The 2016 Teleios Christmas Catalog is filled with a number of opportunities for sharing with others and helping to further God’s work of turning dreams into reality for believers in Romania, Kenya and Tanzania.

So if you’re looking for that perfect gift for someone special this Christmas, then check out the selections available by clicking on the link below:

http://www.teleiosministry.org/Christmas%20Catalog%202016_SinglePg%20for%20Website.pdf

Once you’ve made your selections, print the order form, note your selections and mail form and payment to:

Teleios Ministry, 28 Eula St., Greenville, S.C. 29609.

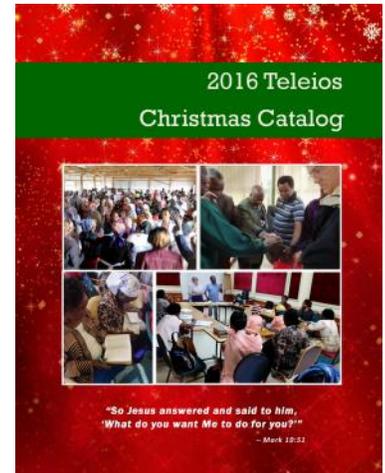
‘Adopt’ A Kenyan Pastor’s Wife And Fortify God’s Purpose

With the continued movement of the Holy Spirit throughout the Kenyan Highlands area, more pastors are being called to serve. As a result, the wives and families of these pastors are seeing the effect of how that call impacts them, as well.

A new program is being developed to help provide these women with encouragement and a stronger spiritual base as they continue to discover how God is calling them, as well. The “Adopt-A-Pastor’s Wife” program has been established and is designed to provide them assistance throughout the year as they serve those in their communities and grow in their walk with the Lord.

For only \$200 a year for three years, you can ensure that your “adopted” pastor’s wife will have access to materials and transportation to training conferences. It also provides for small stipends to presenters needed for training.

Please consider becoming a sponsor in this program. Contact Floyd Parker at floyd.parker@teleiosministry.org for more information.





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Reflections From the Green Chair....

This year, 2016, has been one of traveling here and there. I avoid saying “a busy year,” but there has been a lot of “going.”

As Bonnie and I look at 2017, the “going” seems to be growing. Maybe that’s why the Holy Spirit has really caused me to focus on “waiting” this Christmas season.

I have to honestly say that I had never noticed how many times “waiting” comes up in the Bible.

Just recently as I was reading through the Psalms, David expresses *“I waited patiently for the Lord; He turned to me and heard my cry...”* (40:1) The result of his waiting was:

1. He was lifted out of the slimy pit;
2. His feet set on a rock and he was given a firm place to stand;
3. God put a new song in his mouth, a hymn of praise, which led to him having confidence and courage to declare God’s saving acts, His work in his life and the world, and his trust in the Lord.

Paul wrote in Romans 8:25: *“...if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently...”* Wait for it patiently if we have hope.

This is especially true in celebrating Christmas, the coming of the Messiah. The people of God were waiting for Messiah. He came. But, he was not what they were “waiting for.” Some gave up hope, some created scenarios that defined what and who Messiah would be, some took matters into their own hands, and some actually were waiting patiently as they continued the work of God.

Waiting patiently is directly tied to hope. Hope is directly tied to trust in God’s promises and faithfulness. What I now see even more than ever before is that waiting patiently is a greater act of faith than any action; waiting patiently because I genuinely live in confident hope and have the courage to wait rather than “get it done.”

You know and have heard these phrases: “Time is money.” and “Those who wait will be left behind.” “We have a plan and schedule.” We create scenarios that God has to adhere to in order for the work to get done properly. These are so far from waiting patiently in hope.

What I have really seen clearly is that waiting patiently takes genuine effort. Not waiting patiently causes us to slide toward the slimy pit, to stand on the shifting sand, to sing the same old song – a hymn of

hurry up or complaint. This Christmas, God has given me the gift of seeing the truth of “waiting patiently on and in Him.” Now, all I have to do is make it real in my own life. I have to wait patiently.

When the plans are not working, projects are not on schedule, and the resources are lacking; to wait patiently. Trust Him and His promises. Wait patiently and do not let the distraction of action cause me to miss what God is doing, where He has come and where He is at work.

I am thankful that He has given us the Scriptures to speak to us, to guide us and to encourage us. I am thankful that He has given us His Spirit to give us strength, confidence, and hope.

As I look at all that has already been planned for the upcoming year, I realize the greatest challenge and opportunity of 2017 will be to wait patiently for the coming of the Lord. To wait patiently for what we do not yet have.

I look forward to joining David with the testimony of Psalm 40:
“I waited patiently on the Lord...”

Come, Lord Jesus.

Floyd