Short-Term Missions: Reflecting on 2013 ... Looking Ahead to 2014

New Year's Eve is often the time when we reflect on the year just ending, and plan for the one ahead. Danny Olinger’s article entitled "Summer Foreign Missions Teams" (New Horizons, December 2013) looks back at the short-term missions trips that took place during the summer of 2013:

"Short-term missions coordinator David Nakhla’s goal for each OPC short-term missions team is to help the missionaries on the field in bringing the gospel to the nations. He also hopes to enrich the experience of the team volunteers, so that when they return from a trip, they will continue to pray for the mission.

"This past summer, with the assistance of OPC presbyteries and congregations, Mr. Nakhla helped to publicize and organize volunteers into short-term missions teams that traveled to Haiti, Japan, Quebec, and the Czech Republic to help OP missionaries reach unbelievers and encourage believers through vacation Bible schools, English language camps, and diaconal aid. The reports back indicate that Mr. Nakhla’s goals were met, by the grace of God, as both missionaries and volunteers testified to the Lord's blessing."

Will you consider making it your goal to serve as a short-term missionary in 2014? Updates about summer trips, as well as year-round opportunities to learn and serve on a mission field at home or abroad, are posted at www.opcstm.org and highlighted in each month’s S.T.O.R.M. Report.

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Czech English Camp 2014: More Team Members Needed
Bayview OPC (Chula Vista, CA) is looking for additional teachers for its Summer 2014 short-term missions trip to the Czech Republic, July 9 - 21, 2014, where they will present the gospel in the form of an English language family camp. If you are over 18 years old and interested in participating, please contact Camp Coordinator Sherry Wagner at sherrylwagner@me.com. Read more at www.opcstm.org under “Global Opportunities.”

Update: Wall-Building Project in Haiti
We are thankful to report that a team of skilled men from several OPC churches has been assembled and will travel to Haiti (January 23 - 31, 2014) to help complete the building of a wall around our missionary property at Kaliko. Please pray for the men’s health and safety while in Haiti, and that their skills and fellowship will be a blessing to our missionary family (the Hopps) and to our Haitian brothers with whom they will labor.

Update: Skilled Workers Still Needed
We recently engaged the services of several skilled tradesmen who agreed to work at a discounted rate in order to help complete our Hurricane Sandy re-building projects in Brick, NJ and Seaside Park, NJ. If you are available to help out in this way for periods of one or more weeks, please contact David Nakhla at nakhla.1@opc.org.

Opportunities for Service
NEON, KY: Neon Reformed Presbyterian Church is still in need of skilled volunteers to help complete the renovation to the pastor’s apartment-home and refurbish the church’s store-front exterior.

KEY WEST, FL: Come, learn and practice hands-on evangelism with Pastor Bill Welzien as he presents the gospel in an open-air style at Mallory Square!

UGANDA: This largest of OPC mission stations is ripe with opportunities for short-term service throughout the year!

SUMMER 2014:
Czech Republic: English Camp (see above)
Quebec: English Camps for Kids and Teens
Haiti: Vacation Bible School
Wildwood, NJ: The Boardwalk Chapel

For more information on these National and Global opportunities, visit www.opcstm.org or contact David Nakhla at nakhla.1@opc.org.

Current Missionary Associate Opportunities
ASIA
Individuals able to teach English at the university level (at least a Bachelor’s Degree).

JAPAN
A married couple or two singles of the same gender to assist in the mission’s various outreach activities. Learn more at www.opcstm.org under "Global Opportunities."

QUEBEC
An individual able to speak (or interested in learning to speak) French to assist in the outreach ministry of Eglise Reformee St-Marc de Quebec.

UGANDA
One individual to assist with homeschooling missionary children; another individual who is skilled with his hands to assist the missionary deacons.

Request info and applications for missionary associate service from Douglas Clawson at clawson.1@opc.org.

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