



S.T.O.R.M. Report

Short-Term Outreach, Relief & Missions

From the Office of the Short-Term Missions Coordinator

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STM Year in Review



Members of "Team Utah" in July 2016

Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Psalm 127: 1a (ESV)

The end of December is always a good time to reflect on the Lord's work throughout the year. In 2016, he was faithful to continue the opportunities for short-term service in Quebec, the Czech Republic, Uruguay, Japan, and even some short stints in Haiti. Domestically, teams traveled to the Menominee Reservation in Zoar, WI, and to Magna, UT, San Antonio, TX, and Wildwood, NJ.

A big highlight was the Lord's development of the work at the Boardwalk Chapel in Wildwood, NJ. The work is growing by leaps and bounds. It is becoming a spectacular domestic opportunity with an increasingly "foreign missions" aspect to it, as the staff discovers new ways to interact with some of the thousands of international workers who come to Wildwood for summer jobs (see Testimonial entitled, "Bringing the Nations to Himself," below). The Chapel's summer staff receives training in evangelism and apologetics, and ample opportunity to put what they've learned into practice on the boardwalk. In addition, church youth groups are welcome to come for a week at a time to participate in the work.

We look forward to seeing what the Lord has in store for us in 2017!

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Apply Now to Join the English Camp Team in the Czech Republic!

Are you looking for a great way to serve as a short-term missionary next summer? You are needed on the team traveling to the Czech Republic, July 12-24, 2017, to present the gospel in the form of an English Family Camp!

The team is sent by the Presbytery of Southern California and coordinated by Sherry Wagner. If you are over 18 years of age and interested in participating, you are welcome to contact Sherry at sherrylwagner@me.com. Details and an application form are available at OPCSTM.org under "Current Opportunities."

"The best part of the English Camp team is the diverse range of ages of team members....a pure picture of how the church works as a whole.....Short term missions are not only for the young....there is no better representation of that than English Camp in the Czech Republic." Eli Hirtzel, English Camp 2016

Team Leaders Needed in 2017:

Team Leaders are currently being sought for Team Haiti and Team Praha (Czech Republic). If you are interested in learning more about serving in this capacity or as a member of one of the teams, please contact the team organizers, below. Brochures and application forms for 2017 are forthcoming - stay tuned to OPCSTM.org!

Team Haiti (June 28 – July 8, 2017)
 Team Praha (July 24 - August 14, 2017)

Contact:

Team Haiti: David Thibault at davidthibault@sbcglobal.net
 Team Praha: David Crum at crum.1@opc.org

Missionary Associates Needed:

Visit OPCSTM.org and click on "Global STMs – Quebec" and "Global STMs – Uruguay" for information on openings for Missionary Associates to serve in a variety of ways on the OP mission fields in Quebec and Uruguay!

Boardwalk Chapel 2017:

After January 1, the Boardwalk Chapel will begin listing any open positions for individuals wishing to serve as summer staff, or for church groups wishing to come for a weekend or a week, in 2017. Stay tuned to boardwalkchapel.org for further information!

Looking Back on 2016

Visit OPCSTM.org and click on "News" to find 2016 STM Photos, Reports, and Testimonials, including:

"Using the Building Skills That God Has So Graciously Given Us"
 about two work teams that traveled to Japan

and

"Bringing the Nations to Himself: The Power of Prayer at the Boardwalk Chapel"
 about witnessing to international workers on the Jersey Shore

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