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A Kingdom Investment Worth Making

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Many of us do not know where to start with the idea of bringing the gospel to a place we have never been. Cross-Cultural Missions Training (CCMT) is a one-month program that takes young men and women through two weeks of Bible teaching and cultural immersion followed by two weeks of service in a foreign context. This month serves to equip young people to overcome the common challenges of culture and to understand more fully the offer of the gospel to every people, tribe, and nation.

This year CCMT will take place May 12 - June 12, 2023, in central Mexico. Rev. Eric Watkins and the Rev. Paul Murphy (NYC church-planter) are among the teachers in the initial week of boot camp. The second week will be spent settling into the homes of Mexican Christians, furthering language, and cultural experience. The last two weeks will consist of service in local churches and ministries. A thorough debriefing will follow to help all participants to share and compare their experience. Find out more on our website: www.OPCSTM.org

Crates for Ukraine Update

Since getting the word out to the OPC community 13 days ago, the OPC participation in Crates for Ukraine has grown at an amazing rate. There are We are on a potential trajectory to reach our 400 crates by March goal. Has your church considered participating? Find out how at OPCDismasterResponse.org

A Sincere Heart for Ministry—OPC Disaster Response in Neon, Kentucky

"You can only fish so much", Sylvia Kelly joked, referring to her retired husband, Mike, when asked how they are able to spend three-and-a-half months in Neon, Kentucky. Mike and Sylvia are the new site coordinators for the Spring Neon Community Outreach, and they are as friendly as they are sincere. Although officially retired, they have lots of energy, a heart for those in need and a great enthusiasm for serving the Lord. Read the full article at OPCDismasterResponse.org

UPDATES

Historic RPCNA Building Destroyed by Tornado—

On January 13, 2023, members of Selma Reformed Presbyterian Church in Selma, Alabama received news that their 145-year-old church building had been destroyed by a devastating tornado that ripped through the Southern United States the previous day. Please keep our brothers and sisters in

the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America in prayer as they deal with this devastating loss. We hope to be able to come alongside this church in their distress and will provide updates as more information is made available. Read the full update on OPCDismasterResponse.org

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Short Term Missions Opportunities—

Boardwalk Chapel Ministry Teams: Summer 2024

Interested in having your church's youth group to spend a week at the Chapel? Save your spot for Summer 2024! The Chapel is also looking for teens to serve on their Junior Staff team in 2023!

Cross-Cultural Mission Training

Want to learn more about foreign mission work? This training program will take place May 12 – June 12, 2023 and will be based in Tepic, Mexico.

English Camp in the Czech Republic

Serve at a week-long family camp in beautiful Central Europe! Travel dates are July 11-24, 2023.

Missionary Associates Needed in Montevideo, Uruguay

The Uruguay Mission is seeking people to assist with outreach, evangelism, and music in worship.

Serve at the Uganda Mission

The Uganda Mission is welcoming visitors willing to serve in the areas of childcare and hospitality. There is also a great need for individuals willing to do facility maintenance.

Serve in Japan

The Japan Mission is happy to receive mission teams willing to assist with a variety of tasks!

Teach ESL at the Missionary Training Institute in South Korea

Interested in traveling to South Korea and teaching English to missionaries? Two or Three ESL teachers are needed to serve in 2024.

Team Praha 2023

Join Jerry and Marilyn Farnik for three weeks of youth ministry and service in Praha, Czech Republic! These three weeks will be packed with evangelism and sightseeing.

Check out these opportunities on our website: OPCSTM.org

Disaster Response Opportunities—

Crates for Ukraine

It's getting cold in Ukraine, and the war continues. The time to fill and send crates is now!

Neon, Kentucky Flooding

Spring volunteers are needed! Don't miss this opportunity to join Neon Reformed in reaching out to serve the community.

Register to be a Disaster Response Volunteer!

Let us know you are interested in serving so that we can call on you when the need arises.

Learn about these opportunities and more by visiting our website: OPCDismasterResponse.org

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