

BARNABAS LEADERSHIP MINISTRIES



Happy Easter to you and yours from BLM!

We praise God for work done in 2010

- ◆ Barnabas Leadership Ministries (BLM) ministered through weekly outreach to international students in Oklahoma City.
- ◆ BLM was invited to teach a course on discipleship at a seminary in Nairobi. We also donated 100 DVDs of *The Jesus Film* and served through preaching. At the same time we distributed two laptops, and two solar-powered audio New Testaments and visited one-on-one with several pastors and lay leaders.
- ◆ BLM initiated a ministry relationship for working with pastors and missionaries in India.
- ◆ We purchased a bicycle to enhance the ministry of a Peruvian lay leader.
- ◆ BLM bought Bibles for children at Testimony Faith Homes and provided an acoustic guitar for a music minister in Kenya.

We anticipate great things in 2011

- ◆ BLM will emphasize on prayer (Psalm 5:3; 1 Thessalonians 5:17) and will, therefore, need your prayer support.
- ◆ BLM hopes to expand the ministry into India as God directs.

BE A BARNABAS, “**SON [DAUGHTER] OF ENCOURAGEMENT**” TO SOMEONE TODAY! (see Acts 4:36)

<GIVE A HELPING H.A.N.D. >

HELP leaders excel in biblical stewardship

- Exhort them to be good stewards of the Gospel, time, talents, and finances for greater Kingdom work! (1 Cor. 4:1-2)

ADVANCE biblical leadership

- Train, disciple, and stress the importance of servant leadership as exemplified by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (cf. Mark 10:45)

NETWORK strategically

- Call each other for fellowship, love, and good deeds (Hebrews 10:24-25)

DISTRIBUTE resources

- Provide Study Bibles, Bible study helps, laptops, and Bible software! (Philippians 4:19)

We are on [FACEBOOK](#). Please take minute to “like” our page!

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Prayer Requests:

1. Pray for the teaching opportunities that Sam and Jim Jackson (also the McGees and team) have in the Congo this summer (i.e. June 18th through July 3rd). Sam has also been invited to minister in Kenya for two weeks in July. Pray for great interaction with the pastors and lay leaders. Pray that the teaching would bear fruit and thus fulfill Deuteronomy 32:2: "Let my teaching fall like rain and my words descend like dew, like showers on new grass, like abundant rain on tender plants." (NIV).
2. Pray that the Lord will enable Sam to complete the remaining 18 hours of his coursework at Regent University. Ask God to help him pass the comprehensive exams scheduled for May 2012. He also needs God's wisdom in choosing a topic for his dissertation which he plans to begin shortly after a one-week residency at Regent University in May next year.
3. Pray that the Lord would enable Sam to publish at least two projects this year. Dr. Bruce Winston, the Dean of Regent's School of Global Leadership & Entrepreneurship has invited him along with a leadership consultant from South Africa to do some research together. This will be included in the special issue of the International Journal of Organizational Theory and Behavior. Sam would also like to publish two Bible study guides based on some materials he has developed and is using in the weekly Bible studies he leads.
4. Pray that our partnership with Heritage Baptist Church and All Nations Church would continue to strengthen as we work together to reach and disciple international students here in Oklahoma City.
5. Pray that God will give us wisdom and direction in the days ahead to discern the best ways to serve Him, e.g. to know how to:
 - ◆ Come alongside pastors and lay leaders in Kenya, India, Peru, and other countries as the Lord opens the doors.
 - ◆ Respond to the various requests for ministry materials such as Bibles, Bible study helps, laptops, etc.
 - ◆ Set up an office or a Leadership Center in Kenya and how to coordinate work in other countries.
 - ◆ Raise more prayer and financial supporters.

Ripples of Love

"When a stone into the water is thrown,

Its circle soon grows beyond its own,

For a ripple can never stand alone.

Every ripple creates another,

Just like when you touch your brother [sister],

You move him [her] to reach out to others.

And you'll never, ever really know how far your ripples of love go

All because, to God, you did not say 'NO.' "

Lord, when I am discouraged, remind me that you continue to work long after my work is done. May I only say, "Yes" to the things you call me to do and then enable me to trust you for the results.

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