

# ALL AUTHORITY IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH....

## *That's a lot of authority!*



Jesus told his followers, on the Mount of Olives, that He had been given, "All authority in heaven and on earth.... Therefore – GO"

Matthew 28:19-20

The Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who was raised from the dead, who had conquered death and the powers of darkness, the One who has all authority, commands his followers....

GO! 

And do what?

Make disciples....

Baptize....

Teach....

We do this not in our own strength, but in the power of the Spirit, with the power of prayer backing us.

There are still quite a few people groups (perhaps as many as 3,000) where few have gone to share Christ. I know this because they have no church. Mission organizations exist is to find out where these groups are, encourage people to pray for evangelists who are willing to go, to mobilize those who are called, and encourage others to support them in prayer and finances.

In this issue you read of a Nigerian who feels called to go to Niger (97% Muslim) – will you pray for Him? He needs about \$100 a month – are you willing to support him? Similar opportunities exist to support national workers in Chad, Cameroon, Zanzibar and India.

We invite you to partner with us to see the Gospel go to the unreached people groups of the world. We have various prayer resources to help inform you about prayer. If you would like to receive our monthly e-mail prayer, or our prayer bulletin insert please sign up on our web site [www.iatw.ca](http://www.iatw.ca) – click on newsletter.

Jesus has authority – he gives us authority to go, to pray, to be involved We invite you to call us and find out more about being involved as we God's glory to the ends of the earth.

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## Short and Long Term workers head into the harvest.

**Dr. Jim Farquharson** returned to Nairobi Kenya January 12 to work with the four clinics he has started. He is thrilled with the progress that has been made and the work they are doing. He did further teaching and brought encouragement. The pastor in Lunga Lunga slum told him because of the clinic the church is growing as well and they have bought two more buildings.



Rev **Peter Cowley** spent some time in Kenya and Uganda. He met with pastors in Soweto and Imara Daima slums to plan for the upcoming VBS their Canadian church will help with. Peter also visited with Lynette Ondinko in Kisumu, the Whites in Bukura and Pat Kokura in Mbarara.



**Marlene Stairs** traveled to Kenya with Peter for 3 months. She is working with the office workers of PEFA to assist them with skills training and workplace development. She writes "Feb 7 was a large training day for all PEFA staff It was encouraging to be able to help them be more proficient for the Lord."



**Ian and Lynne White** are back in Bukura, Kenya, where they are getting the home registered. Ian went ahead of Lynne and almost has the compound fence built. Once the bank account is set up they will be able to take in their first children. They hope to accomplish this by March if at all possible. More news on page 3

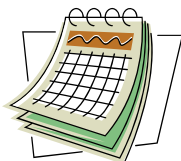


**David and Christina Lewis** and family left for Tanzania January 12 and have had an amazing first few weeks. They are currently studying Swahili as well as setting up the school. For more information see page 7.

**RESCUED TREASURES THRIFT SHOPPE: See page 10 for details**

## LOOKING AHEAD TO 2007

As we come to 2007 we encourage you to be in prayer for our desires and goals as a mission enabling society. Each worker has dreams, goals and prayer needs that you will find listed in the following pages. Thank you for your faithful prayer support.



## INTO ALL THE WORLD; GOALS FOR 2007:

- To expand our ministry in Canada by adding Area Reps, office volunteers, assistant executive director to train to take over for the Lewis's when they retire.
- Link up with more workers who feel God's call to go to the "hard places" and work amongst tribes that currently have no established churches.
- To see our new thrift shop become a place of ministry as well as a financial success to bless our world outreach with finances.
- That each of our workers will be healthy, wise and bearing fruit for the Lord.
- Grow our "army" of prayer warriors numerically and in effectiveness.
- Provide newsletters and information for their prayer involvement.

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## BUSINESS CONSULTATION

We have invited about 25 businessmen to meet with us May 3<sup>rd</sup> to discuss effectiveness of missions and to consider various strategies for advance. Please pray for this event. If you or a fellow business person would like to attend, contact Bill at [bill@iatw.ca](mailto:bill@iatw.ca).

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## SHORT TERM TRIPS

October 2007 – Construct a new Church/Hall building in Zanzibar.

Approximate cost: \$4,000 (2 wks)

November 2007 Visit churches, orphanages, and schools in Kenya and Zanzibar to establish vision for ministry there. Approximate cost: \$4,000 (2-3 wks)

Jan-Feb. 2008 – Escape the cold to construct a new school/church in Zanzibar. Approximate cost: \$4,000 Two to three weeks

Jan-Feb 2008 – Help build Bible School Dorms in Nigeria and participate in some evening evangelistic meetings unreached areas. Approximate cost: \$5,000 (2-3 wks)

February 2008 – Travel with Ken Riegert to prisons in Ethiopia and remote regions to share in their ministry. Approximate cost: \$4,000. (2 wks)

Fall 2007 and Jan 2008 seem like a long ways away – but NOW is the time to start planning, training, and raising funds. Numbers limited to 6 or 8 per trip.



## CANADA NEWS

The board of I.A.T.W. gives God praise, and thanks all our supporters for their faithful support in 2006. With your help we have, for the first time, passed the half million mark in receipts, for a total of \$576,497! We are thrilled to share with you that your gifts more than doubled from \$275,497 in 2005. Thank you for your gifts. As we have more resources, we are able to take the good news of Jesus to many more who have never heard.

## TEEN TEAM TO VISIT KENYA

Four of the team scheduled to visit Kenya in March, were enrolled in our summer 2006 teen camp for missions training. They will be visiting churches, schools and orphanages to share the love of Christ, to encourage and to spread the Gospel.



Left to right: Luke Farmer, Joy Cross, Mackenzie Newton, Barb Lewis, Tory Morning, Bill Lewis, Bethany Livingstone, Al Edmonds and Marlene Stairs.

The 2007 Summer Teen Camp registration information is on the web – [www.iatw.ca](http://www.iatw.ca) – to get involved, click on TNT (Teens and Twenties).

**NEW STAFF:** We continually look for staff to serve in Canada. We need people to work as Area Representatives and to work with Bill and Barb Lewis to mobilize churches and serve the missionaries. If you or someone you know would be interested please have them contact us ([bill@iatw.ca](mailto:bill@iatw.ca))

**MISSION COURSES:** Would your church like to host a Mission Mentoring Morning, or a course for training short term mission leaders? If so we have some spring and fall dates available.

## BOLIVIA:



Michael and Angela Bolovicz write from Bolivia to let us know the family is doing well. The big prayer request is for fluency in Spanish. They are finding it a little harder to adjust to Bolivian life than they first thought. The home is in need of a social worker and a Psychologist to meet legal requirements. Angela writes “our son Spencer graduates high school this year and asks for prayer for guidance for his future. As a family we continue to thank God for His blessings here and trust that when it’s easy and when it’s not that we will continue to know what His will is for our lives and walk joyfully in obedience to all that He has here for us. Pray that we will continue to grow as individuals. That we can be effective in the work we are here to do.”

## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC:

La Tienda ladies co-op recently suffered a tragic loss as one of their leading ladies – 23 year old Tita died of Aids and T.B. Letitia LaFrance, whose short term mission ended in January, wrote: When the co-op seemed too big for Rachel or I, Tita was the one that kept us going, we thought "If this isn't making a difference for anyone else at least it is for Tita."



In Rachel Sticklee’s January report she wrote “Many other things have happened this month. Charlotte, my lovely friend has finally come for a visit, and Letitia will be leaving me in the upcoming week. A friend will be getting married in a couple of days, and the Tienda has been organized beautifully and is ready for another year.

All these “goings on” seem in some ways to be motions I am aware of but not fully a part of as I grieve (selfishly) the loss of Tita. Please keep me in your prayers, that God will open up my ears and eyes to see him at work, and that I would know when to serve and when to rest. Pray for Rachel as she moves forward in ministry



**BELIZE:** Anne Scharman returned home before Christmas due to her father’s death and is staying to help her mother. God willing she will go to Texas in February for further training. In June she will possibly close her home in Belize and return to Canada. Pray with her for God’s guidance.

Deb and Greg Renton left February 1<sup>st</sup> for several weeks in Belize. They will work with George Ferrar to establish a high school on Caye Caulker. They also expect to spend some time on the mainland, possibly assisting with the YWAM base. Pray for God’s direction, wisdom, and safety.



## SRI LANKA:



Pastor Emmanuel has been suffering with chigun guinea virus. This is a very dangerous fever that affects the bones and joints. He writes: “Still I cannot walk long distance. I am very weak and it takes more then three months to be come normal. Please pray for us. In my life I have never suffered like this. Praise God He protected our

life. Praise God now I have started a new work in the war zone area, I am supporting a Pastor called Ravindren with a small financial help to meet his traveling. This morning he telephoned me and told that due to the war thousands of people become refugee and no proper place for them to stay and no change of clothes and food. He asked me to pray for them to meet their needs. The ladies are very badly needs of clothes which they use inside. Pray for this helpless people. Pray for peace for our land it is difficult to minister when civil war is raging.”

## INDIA:

This year we again sent funds to India to assist the widows and poor. Hallelujah Israel writes: “In the last two months alone 54 people were baptized in south India, who has come all out for Jesus from Hindu non-Christian Community. We carefully watch their change in faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and baptize them after proving that they are strong and will go through all the trials till the end. It is amazing to see the change of life in them through the Gospel. Jesus is real and so His power of transformation is real. We thank those in Canada who support our national pastors in outreach.”



Hallelujah gives sari’s to some widows

## THE PHILIPPINES:

Nannie and Awit write that the Agape Bible Christian Church, where Symphony John pastors, is really growing. On Oct. 29 the church family had an outing in the fishing village of Iba and 8 new believers were baptized there. Symphony spends time in home Bible studies and counseling with families. The LORD is truly honoring his faithfulness and zeal. Other churches such as Bulawen, are really impoverished. The members mostly just eke out a living tending mango trees for landlords. The only support they can afford for Pablo is P300./week so N.A.C.C. augments his income. Pablo recently got married and so the Church is working to build him a small apartment at the back of the church so he does not have to live with his in-laws.

**BRAZIL and GUYANA** – pray for the IATW board as they negotiate with church leaders in both Guyana and Brazil about setting up projects to assist the work of the Gospel in those areas.

### ARMSTRONG MEMORIAL FUND:

January 1 2007 our brother and long time supporter, Al Armstrong, went to be with his Lord. Al owned and operated Northway Chrysler dealership in New Liskeard. His family wishes gifts to be given in his name to the Armstrong Memorial Fund. Long time readers of our news will recall that a number of years ago his wife Shirley had set up a special fund to raise money for bicycles, beds for orphans, and a sewing machine. Gifts given this time will be used to buy and maintain a vehicle for the school in Zanzibar. His pastor, Frank Cummins said, "Al would like that – he loved anything to do with wheels." In the last 10 years Al has likely given some 25 bicycles to pastors in Africa and Asia. If you wish to contribute to this endeavor you can do so using the Op-Action sheet and designating your gift to the "Armstrong Memorial Fund".



In his later years Al spent quite a bit of time praying for missions and Gospel advance. If you would like to take up this Prayer Torch please be in touch and we can send you prayer information (519-763-6147.)

### RESCUED TREASURES THRIFT SHOP:

We are pleased to announce that Rescued Treasures Thrift Shoppe is scheduled to open in March 2007. Renovations have gone very well. Thank you to the many workers and volunteers who dedicated their time and effort to making this successful. We praise God that we have



approximately one third of our volunteer base established. If you would like to volunteer or drop off donations, please contact Trudy Metzger at 519-590-4907. Pray that the fine details will come together and that God will

bless this venture so funds will be released to support ministries in many parts of the world.



**THANK YOU!**

**We appreciate your donations of goods; gifts of money; volunteering for the various projects; and always, above all, your prayer support! God bless you!**

### SOUTH AFRICA



Gene and Janice Weatherby write from South Africa: "We are seeing more and more breakthrough amongst the men. They are willing to listen. We talk around the corral [and] they are starting to ask questions. We have helped many with their cattle, with inoculations, [and] chickens projects. We invite you to pray that a new outreach using recordings of Bible stories will help them hear of God's love. Our visas are up in a few months. We are praying for God's guidance for the future. We leave for furlough May 28<sup>th</sup> and will be home in early June.

Jonathan Eby writes 'After many trips out looking I finally found a horse to buy. The Lord knew exactly what I needed and provided a six year old mare that came with a four month colt. Right now I am in the middle of training her and can hardly wait till I can ride out with Lucas giving injections to cattle and ministering to the men along the way. We are also building three chicken houses for some of the people here. I have done some block laying before but it's a whole new experience working with mud blocks. It's a lot of fun working with four of the boys that got saved a year ago. I am learning so much in the short time I've been here and can't wait to see what God is going to do with the remaining time. Thanks for praying.



### KENYA – REHEMA CHILDREN'S HOME

Ian and Lynne White continue to work to prepare for the children's home. Ian returned to Kenya in December and has been building a perimeter fence around the property. They have been able to purchase a vehicle and are so glad to finally have transportation. Time spent with the Nairobi Rehema Children's home learning the legalities of the Kenya child care system will help prepare them for what lies ahead. They have received their first children – pray for them as they begin this adventure.

We invite you to pray for the March team that will be spending a week at the children's home.

### WE INVITE YOU TO SPONSOR AN ORPHAN AT REHEMA

Total monthly cost per child is \$90. We encourage partial sponsorship of \$30 a month. To find out more, contact our office for a brochure.



**To donate using Visa or MasterCard, please fill out the back of the Op-Action sheet and mail it back to us. Thank you.**



## WEST AFRICA

**BIBLE SCHOOL:** On January 21 classes resumed for the first semester in 2007. We are amazed to have many girls coming from the villages and making up the majority of students in the Bible school. There are 22 ladies, including 3 married women, while their male counter part are only 15. Generally people in this region don't place much value on girls getting an education of any kind, especially Bible school, so these numbers are miraculous.

See page 3 for details about a January/February 2008 project to build dorms for the new Bible School in Nigeria.

**CHAD:** The war situation in Sudan is greatly affecting southern Chad where we are working. Our seven missionaries who concluded their training in November could not go back to the field because of the war. Also, our missionary coordinator, and evangelist, Makaina, underwent surgery and is now recovering. Please pray for him.

**CAMEROON:** We are reaching out to two new tribes, the Laka and Mandang, in Cameroon. We have also planted a Church amongst the Fulani tribe and have about 40 worshipping there each week. We are having good success with film evangelism. Pray for the many immigrants from Chad that are pouring into Cameroon.

**BENIN:** Bitrus Audu will be in Benin for leadership training March 22-25 2007. The upcoming program will look at missions to the unreached rural areas of Benin. We are very pleased with the faithful work of Pastor Richard Okorie. We wish God's blessing on his marriage in December. Pray for wisdom as they decide whether to pay to rent a hall for their meetings, or purchase land to erect their own place of worship even though land is very expensive in Benin.

(To help with this outreach use the op-action form – Benin outreach.)

## NEW AREA OF WORK

**NIGER:** Isa Bango and Bitrus Audu will visit Niger 2<sup>nd</sup> March to see if they feel God is calling them to send a worker to work among their unreached rural people. (One of the larger unreached tribes is the Tuareg.) Niger, with a population of about 14 million, is 97.5 % Muslim, and 4% Christian and is largely made up of the Sahara desert. Pray for wisdom to make the right decision.



**How will the millions be reached unless someone goes?  
Will you partner with us? Contact our office for more**

## UGANDA

Pat Kokura returned to “Oaks of Righteousness” ministry for street children in mid-December. Once again a number of items were stolen while she was on furlough. Having difficulties with her landlord she moved to a safer location. Even here, however, thieves continue to plague her. Recently she lost two wheel-barrow, clothes, shoes, a clock and Vaseline.

Pat writes “We got 2 new boys last week. (Total of 21 now) When we went to check the homes, the one boy has a grandmother who is so poor we just knew we had to keep this boy. The other boy's story is not the truth. When we verify that his parents are alive and that he lied to us he will no longer be able to stay with us. We now will be seeking to hire more staff. Please pray that we will find the right manager and a good cook.”



**KENYA: LYNETTE ONDIKO** heads up the Haven of Hope ministry for abused women. She has started a children's club on Saturdays and has up to 50 children coming. God willing in March the IATW teen team will be putting on a children's Gospel fun day. Lynette has been having problems with blood clots and was recently admitted to hospital for testing. Pray for her healing.



**JOSEPH MOPHAT KILIOBA** oversees the new Rehema Children's home in Kenya as well as the Zanzibar School project. In March Joseph will be traveling to Zanzibar with the Lewis's to conduct a leadership training day for the pastors. Joseph will be hosting our March youth team's trip.



**ADRIANO SIMIYU** writes from Western Kenya to share that they have planted several new churches in 2006. They have been conducting leadership training courses, family seminars, and numerous youth camps and youth programs. Each year they have the joy of baptizing several hundred young people who have accepted Christ.



**ORMA TRIBE** In the past we have shared with you about the work of two Kenyan girls, Anne and Julia, who started a school to reach this 100% Muslim group. There is great joy now amongst the workers. In the last year some 15 have accepted Christ and are being discipled. One boy is on a soccer team and he says “My goal is to lead the whole team to know Christ.” Pray for God's blessing and protection on these young Christians.

**Don and Christina Hannaford.** Pray for God to reveal the right timing for them to visit Kenya and minister in the churches there.