



# The Petersens... In His Harvest

Fall 2024



Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I, Send me!" Isaiah 6:8

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*The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.*

- Lam. 3:22-23 ESV

Dear Friends and Family,

## SUMMER REPORT

Our summer teams returned with joy much like the 70 disciples Jesus sent out in the gospel of Luke. We saw answered prayers all along the way. Five made decisions for Christ at Boot Camp and we saw three more teen teams go out in 2024 than the year before. To God be the glory! Please take time to visit our team reports page for lots of great testimonies from this summer. Our Teen Missions Youtube channel has the daily 2024 Boot Camp videos and rallies. The TMI Facebook page has photo galleries from this past summer. Enjoy!



The staff in Madagascar

Gay & I had the privilege of visiting Teen Missions bases in Madagascar, Uganda and South Africa. We conducted strategic meetings with the country leaders and encouraged the staff and students. What a joy to see what God is doing to impact the next generation of national youth in these countries.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE

New staff have arrived for which we are SO thankful. We also welcomed eight new Sojourner students this term. Praise the Lord! Our staff just concluded our annual Staff Retreat. We debriefed our summer operations and looked at ways to improve our program moving forward. We are now finalizing our 2025 summer trip listing and have begun receiving applications. Property renovations are moving forward with the completion of



Staff & students in South Africa

both Adam & Eve dormitories and the new main office bathrooms. Renovations are now underway in the downstairs offices next to the display room.



Staff & Board Members in Uganda

## PETERSEN FAMILY UPDATE

Timothy and Ellie were married on August 10th in a beautiful outdoor ceremony by the lake at Teen Missions. What a joy to celebrate this event with family and friends from around the country. God is SO good! Welcome Ellie to the Petersen family! Timothy continues to serve in the US Teams Department and Ellie has begun to coordinate our volunteer program within the HR Department.

Faith has just begun her second year at Sojourner School of Ministry. She was asked to be one of the RA's, so has some added responsibilities. She enjoys learning more about the Bible and spending time with her fellow classmates.

I am teaching the Gospels this term at Sojourner, and Gay continues to serve the needs of our TMI staff in Human Resources.



Rehearsal Dinner



The Wedding — August 10th

## PRAISE ITEMS

- For successful national Boot Camps in S Asia, Cameroon, Malawi & Madagascar
- For the approval of our building permit for the Caretaker building on Hall Rd.
- For the eight new Sojourner students who've arrived for the fall term
- For the completion of the Adam & Eve dormitory renovations

## PRAYER ITEMS

- Healing for Dad as he's been diagnosed with stage four cancer and has battled nausea and weight loss
- For the new staff as they settle into their new roles & responsibilities
- The Lord's deliverance with property issues in India & Madagascar

## THANK YOU!

We are unbelievably blessed to partner with you in this adventure of training youth and mobilizing end-time workers to reach the lost in these last days. To God be all the Glory!

Together in His Harvest,

Steve & Gay Petersen

Is 6:8 / Heb. 11:1

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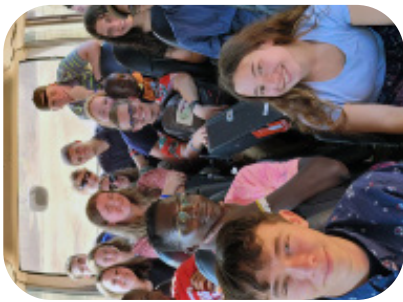
Note: In order for your contribution to be tax deductible, checks must be made payable to Teen Missions (the missionary's name should not appear on the check). Please enclose this coupon with your contribution to assure proper designation.

## PARTNER WITH TMI IN MINISTRY

We are looking for **GODLY** male and female **LEADERS** FOR **SUMMER 2025!**

Register NOW for our required training seminar from **October 31 - November 3, 2024.**

Leaders are **VITAL** to TMI's Mission to "inspire and equip the next generation to proclaim salvation in Christ alone!"



Become part of the **TMI FAMILY!** See what opportunities are available and register for **'FIRST STEP' November 3-8, 2024.**

## REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR 2025 TEAMS!

Use your summer for **JESUS!** Where will **YOU** go?

Share Jesus in Bolivia, Colombia, Germany, Madagascar, Rwanda, Thailand, Romania, Mexico, Hungary, Peru, South Africa, Cambodia, Australia, or Uganda.



## INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

Volunteers hold a special place in our hearts. We have plenty of projects year round for men, women, youth groups, and churches.

We'd love to have you join our volunteer team!



Go to **TEENMISSIONS.ORG** to learn more about these opportunities or call the TMI office at 321.453.0350.

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# Ministry Update

## Zambia Hunger Crisis: A Call for Action

What can **YOU** do for the cost of one fast-food meal?

Zambia is facing a devastating famine. The government has declared a national disaster and emergency as a severe drought has ravaged the land, leaving thousands without crops and facing the threat of starvation. Even before the drought, **48% of Zambians** were already struggling with hunger. Now, children are especially at risk, suffering from malnutrition and disease. At Teen Missions, we are deeply committed to helping these vulnerable children. Through our **19 Rescue Units** in Zambia, we are currently providing care for **6,359 registered orphans**. Sadly, some children have grown too weak to walk to school or even reach our Units. Our 200+ dedicated staff are working tirelessly to meet these urgent needs, but **we cannot do it alone. We need your help.**

As our Zambia Country Coordinator, Oscar Chama, has shared: **"We can feed a child for a day with just \$1.00."**

**Imagine what your support can do.** By donating the equivalent of a typical fast-food meal in the U.S.—**\$13.00**—you can provide for children and adults in desperate need. That's 13 lives fed, 13 lives touched, and 13 futures made brighter. Your donation goes beyond filling empty stomachs; it offers hope, strength, and the chance for them to grow and thrive.

Our goal is clear: **to raise \$100,000 by December 1, 2024.** Every dollar of your generosity will go directly to the **Zambia Hunger Crisis Fund**, helping us provide essential nutrition to those who need it most. Together, we can make a life-changing impact. Every meal counts, and every dollar matters.



Bring hope to Zambia's children and adults. Scan the QR code or visit the Zambia Hunger Crisis page to give now.

**Please donate today.  
Together, we can help  
Zambia overcome this crisis.**



## An Exciting Partnership

Teen Missions is excited to partner with **Barnabas Foundation** to offer our supporters **complimentary planning services and assistance with complex gifts.** Since 1976, Barnabas Foundation has empowered thousands of individuals and families to enhance the impact of their generosity through tax-efficient charitable giving. Their expert team will work with you to create a charitable plan that honors God, supports your family, and benefits the ministries you hold dear.

Visit our **Planned Giving** page or email [shonnfoy@teenmissions.net](mailto:shonnfoy@teenmissions.net) to learn more.

The **2024 US Lord's Boot Camp** trained 200+ team members and leaders to **GO** share Jesus around the world! **HE IS WORTHY!** This is an awesome testimony from a team member: "It has been so great to **get closer to God** at Boot Camp. The tough training is **fulfilling the goal to help us grow.** We have **struggled** on the Obstacle Course as a team and have been disqualified for various reasons, but **we keep growing** and celebrate that today we didn't DQ. I am grateful for what **God is working in all of us** and it is sweet to see in the **worship time** at Rally and in **our team time at night as we pray for one another's growth** and struggles." -Mayah E.



Interested in reading the 2024 summer team reports?

Go to **TEENMISSIONS.ORG/trip-reports**

