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The Gospel is the source of lasting transformation that offers a plan for a holistic and integrated approach to community development and world change. Our mission is to provide for the material, spiritual, and social needs of those who need it most through sustainable, transformational development.

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"...let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth."
- 1 John 3:18 (NIV)

Cameroon Team Trip 2015/2016

As a part of our continued efforts to reach the Unreached in Cameroon, WTM will be leading a team of 4 members of our local church this month following Christmas. This will be our 3rd short-term trip since our return to the States in 2012 when we transitioned from long-term stays overseas to shorter, focused trips. Much like previous trips, the purpose of this trip is multi-faceted and is a reflection of the unique skill sets of each team member (see the "Meet the Team" section).

In general, our goals for these trips are as follows:

- To address specific needs to support the ongoing church planting work amongst the Fulbe people group in desperate need of encouragement, resources, and real needs like clean drinking water;
- To provide an opportunity for those considering long-term overseas to ministry to "test the waters" on a vision/discovery trip; and
- To provide an opportunity for those that have a particular skill set that fits WTM's ministry model to use their gifts in support of the ministry.

This year's primary focus is in support of a small, struggling church plant in the middle of an unreached African people group, the Fulbe (or Fulani). A strategically-placed plot of land has presented an opportunity for the development of a "bush" health center in partnership with one of the national Cameroonian churches. Our colleagues and national partners are working to develop this land with a Fulbe ministry ethos, and the water well installation planned during this trip will help support that effort. Many of the local inhabitants are poor and refugees that have immigrated to Cameroon following years of

Partnerships with nationals and other organizations provide longevity and continuity to the ministry efforts. These men were trained by WTM to install wells with our mud rotary rig.

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civil unrest in neighboring Central African Republic. Many have lost their cattle, their land, family members, and hope.

Our trip will also include a preliminary medical survey by our team members of the existing facilities (i.e., what services are provided, level and quality of care, etc.) as well as an informal local survey as to the need/reception concerning the development of a health center in the community.

The survey as well as concurrent ministry to the women and children in the area will open more doors to building relationships and sharing Christ's love in a region where growth of the Fulbe church has been hindered by intense persecution and fear. Furthermore, the existing Fulbe believers that are part of the small but thriving local church in another part of the country with whom we will be partnering will be encouraged to know that their brothers and sisters across the ocean continue to support them in word and action.

We also hope to have a little time to work with our beehives, called the Kenya Top Bar, or KTB, hive. Training in proper management, set up and harvesting of honey is needed by the local Fulbe who rely on honey production as a source of revenue.

Above all else, our deepest desire for this trip is to edify and encourage the local church and workers as we focus on people before projects, although we pray for success in both areas!

MEET THE TEAM!

Courtney grew up in Bradenton, Florida and moved to Tallahassee to attend Florida State University. It was during her college years that Courtney started developing a heart for the Lord, a love for his Word, and the desire to make his name known. After receiving her Bachelors degree, Courtney began working in fields that gave her the opportunity to connect with children and families. Her desire is to meet people where they are at and speak God's truths into their lives. In Spring 2015, the Lord began moving in Courtney's heart in a way she had never experienced before. He was stirring her heart for overseas missions. Courtney is joining the team to Cameroon to gain experience on the overseas mission field and better discern how the Lord is working in her heart.

WTM MINISTRY VIDEO AVAILABLE ONLINE - "A NEIGHBOR OVERSEAS"

Thanks to the efforts of one of our team members last year, a quality "documentary" style film was created to describe verbally and visually the ministry work in Cameroon by WTM and their partners.

If you are interested in viewing this 20 minute film, please contact us for the link at:

info@transformationalministries.com

Alternatively, you can reach us at 813-990-0981.

MEET THE TEAM *(Continued from page 2)*

Gregorie is originally from Port-au-Prince, Haiti and her family immigrated to the states when she was 2 years old. She spent most of her childhood years growing up in the great city of Orlando, Florida and made her way to Tallahassee for college where she graduated in 2011 with a degree in Biology. Gregorie is currently a fourth year medical student at the Florida State University College of Medicine in Tallahassee. She will graduate in May 2016 and go on to complete 3 years of residency training in Family Medicine. She chose this God-led specialty because it will give her the opportunity to treat people of all ages and it is one that can be used wherever she may go, whether that be in the states or abroad.

Her interest in missions is closely tied to her passion for medicine. After being a part of a medical mission trip to Buff Bay, Jamaica during her undergraduate career, she has always been interested in medical missions. Her desire is to be able to participate in several short-term medical mission trips throughout her medical career but is open to whatever the Lord has for her. While she is ready and willing to go wherever the Lord may lead her, she hopes He will bring her back often to her home country to be able to serve her people in Haiti. Until that time, she is excited to serve the people of Cameroon, Africa this upcoming winter. Her hope and prayer is that the love of Jesus Christ will be apparent in all that she does and that he will use her hands to heal sick bodies and her words to heal sick souls.

Forrest hails from Jacksonville, FL and came to Tallahassee to go to Florida State University (go Noles!) where he is currently studying Mechanical Engineering. He will graduate in the spring and is planning on working in construction management. Forrest is excited to see how he can apply what he's learned in school towards international missions. Mission work excites him because he's passionate about enriching people's lives by providing them with water, healthcare, and, most importantly, a chance to hear the gospel. Besides international missions, Forrest is involved with domestic missions as part of a high school ministry called Young Life, and volunteers with students from Leon and Maclay.

How Can You Get Involved?

Even if you are already a WTM supporter, we would ask that you consider a special gift for this project by securely giving online through our web site or sending a check marked "Cameroon Trip 2015" to our mailing address below.

Other ways to support this trip include:

- Pray and support our team, which includes a dynamic group of talented individuals who are considering long-term overseas ministry. They are all raising their own support in addition to assisting in project funding needs.
- Consider becoming a monthly partner in this ministry as we pursue future opportunities to spread the Gospel and support existing ministries through sustainable, transformational development.
- Consider joining a future WTM trip to Cameroon and reach the Unreached with us!

THE TOP THREE

Prayer Requests: Keep praying for . . .

- The logistical and financial details that need to be worked out over the next two weeks as we make final preparations and try to balance work, school, families, and the holidays!
- Safe and "uneventful" travels as we spend nearly half our trip in a plane or on rough roads
- That we would focus on the people and not the projects during this trip and that God would be honored by our actions.

Prayers Answered: Thank the Lord for . . .

- The three team members who stepped forward in response to this call to reach the ends of the earth for the sake of the Gospel
- Our colleagues who have been instrumental in preparing for this trip and continue to faithfully pursue their ministry with the Fulbe
- Friends and family who support us in living out the commandment to love our neighbor and go to the nations to make disciples

Ministry Needs

- Project costs that remain to be funded include about **$4,500** for the well installation and **$2,000** for completion of the team guest house that will serve this trip and future WTM trips to Cameroon.

Special Thanks . . .

- . . to Doug, owner of Skate Inn Tallahassee, who continued to open his facility freely last month for our fourth annual Skate Night Fundraiser to raise support for the water well and project costs
- … to Four Oaks Community Church who continues to be a faithful ministry partner along with all those who have been faithful in monthly giving over the years as we've transitioned from full-time on the field to "at home mobilizers" via short-term missions teams
- ….to Peter for the creation of an incredible ministry film that has been an invaluable tool for communicating our ministry and vision
- ….to all those who attended Skate Night last month to show your support for our brothers and sisters overseas.

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- If you would like to support a specific project or missionary need, please peruse our "Pick a Project" page with descriptions of specific projects, their geographic location, people group and required funding amount.
- If you prefer to give your gift by mail, gifts can be sent to the following address: P.O. 3640 Tallahassee, Florida 32315

Thank you for partnering with us!