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2011 Theme—Reaching Together

Each year we form a theme that we feel reflects what God is speaking to us about for the year ahead. Our Hopewell Network theme for 2011 is **“Reaching Together.”** Our mission is reaching beyond our church walls to a lost and dying world around us. This is our goal and calling as reflected in **Philippians 3:14—I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.** By God’s grace, 2011 will be a year of reaching into our neighborhoods and the world in some new ways.

We are the most effective when we reach **together.** We reach together as members of a church and as groups of churches. Each church has a vital part in our network to accomplish the vision before us. As we join together and do our part, amazing things can happen. **Ephesians 4:16—From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.** Let’s keep reaching together!

By Pastor Lester Zimmerman,
Hopewell Network Apostolic Leader

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Kenya Visit

A team of seven from Living Truth Fellowship prayed up, packed up, and loaded up their suitcases for Nakuru, Kenya. The team left on April 5 and returned April 20. Their mission

God did amazing things at both conferences. He revealed His Father’s heart in a powerful way, both through the speakers and through personal encounters with those coming from backgrounds and families of alcoholism, abuse, and a lack of love. Many were delivered, empowered, and healed both outside and inside. Those attending testified that they could feel genuine love, and after the conference said they would never be the same. A visible change took place in the people at both conferences, which



was to assist local pastors Patrick and Lucy Thuo with two conferences – one for ladies and one for youth. The theme of both conferences was “Going to a Higher Level.”

The team was warmly received by Pastor Patrick and Lucy, who had made friends with most of the team from their United States visits in 2009 and 2010. The team consisted of Dena Straub, Gordon and Diann Barnes, Debbie Davenport, Nathan Landis Funk, and Pastors Patrick and Mary Wilson.



lined up with the church’s theme for the year, “It’s Time for Change.” The team was thankful to be able to partner with the beautiful Kenyan people to bring them to a higher level - a level of being able to do anything through Christ who gives us strength.

By Pastor Patrick Wilson,
Living Truth Fellowship

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Equipping Goes On-Line



Have you been wishing you could attend the monthly **DOVE Hopewell Leadership Training School**, but distance or schedule conflicts have prohibited you from getting involved? Or maybe you live overseas, or are planting a church out of the area?

If so, we have a solution for you. The school is now available “live” online as it is happening at Petra in New Holland. This option is not meant to replace the monthly classroom setting where students can interact with the teachers and other students. However, online students are able to e-mail or text questions to the teacher.

The vision of the Network is to train and equip the next generation to expand the

Kingdom by growing healthy churches and planting new churches, for which we need to equip leaders.

The DOVE Hopewell Leadership School has been in progress for over a year; a new year started in March. The first graduation will be on May 14 at Petra. Twelve students will be celebrating their accomplishments.

Students, whether full-time or auditors, are welcome to start anytime. For more information regarding the school, go to www.hopewellschool.net. For the online school option, please contact Brian Sauder at brians@dcfi.org.

By Pastor Ken Reinford,
Administrative Pastor, Petra Christian Fellowship

You Can be an Online Missionary



Each day, millions of people seek answers to spiritual issues on the Internet. Global Media Outreach (GMO) is responding to this wide-open harvest field. Through GMO websites, hundreds of thousands of people each day are presented with the Gospel and put in touch with believers serving as “online missionaries” who answer the seekers’ questions.

In the last four months of 2010, a group of people from Petra began serving as GMO online missionaries. In those few months, Petra’s online missionaries impacted the lives of 459 people around the globe who indicated first-time decisions for Christ and another 244 people who rededicated their lives to the Lord.

If you have a relationship with Jesus, a desire to make a difference in others’ lives, a computer and Internet connection, and are at least 18 years old, you can serve as an online missionary. GMO provides all the training and coaching you need. By responding to a few emails each week, you can make an eternal difference in the lives of people all over the world.

For more information, contact Eric Seeger eseeger89@comcast.net or 717-656-2566.

By Dwane Reitz,
Hopewell Asia Missions Director

New Opportunities to Impact Thailand



Hopewell Asia Missions is launching several new initiatives in the coming months:

24/7 Prayer Initiative for Thailand: We are looking for 168 people to pray one hour each week and 31 people to pray one day each month for Thailand. You can choose the day/time that works best for you and pray from home.

Young Adult IMPACT Team: We are partnering together with Eastern Mennonite Missions’ YES program to send an IMPACT team

to Thailand from September 2011 through July 2012. The IMPACT team will receive ten weeks of discipleship training with EMM’s YES teams in Harrisburg, PA, followed by eight months of outreach in Thailand. Outreach will focus on youth and university students through English tutoring, sports, and music. **If you are a young adult who wants to serve on this team, register by July 1.** Contact Dwane at: 717-354-5394 or missions@hopewellnetwork.org.

By Dwane Reitz,
Hopewell Asia Missions Director

Book Review—To Kill a Lion

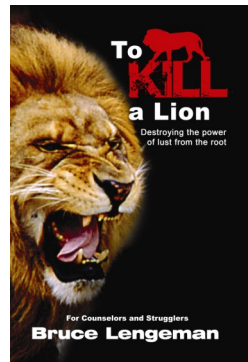
This book was written by one of our Hopewell Network Pastors—Bruce Lengeman.

To Kill a Lion is a journey to the control room where lust is conceived. The philosophy of the book, unlike many other books on sexual purity, is that uncontrollable lust, like any addiction, is a symptom of a deeper issue or issues—that overcoming sexual addiction is not just about changing what you do, but it is about transforming the heart. It means that men discover authentic maleness as designed by the Creator, and then align themselves with it.

Within these pages men will learn the magnificent glory of being sexual along with the magnificent freedom of being pure. Through a straightforward, graphic look at the devices of the enemy, men will learn how lust works, where fetishes originate, and how to

walk free of Satan's sexual tyranny. Men will learn how to get free of law, behavior modification, and emotional wounds that drive lust, while discovering the freedom to truly desire purity more than lust.

Order **To Kill a Lion** at www.newbookpublishing.com. Bulk prices are available for men's groups and book stores.



You may also order at the author's web site at www.tokillalion.com or email the author at Bruce@tokillalion.com

By Pastor Bruce Lengeman,
ACTS Covenant Fellowship

Men cry out,
"I know it's wrong, but
why can't I stop?"

**TO KILL A LION ADDRESSES
THE ROOTS OF LUST
FOR COUNSELORS, PEOPLE-
HELPERS, AND STRUGGLERS**

Youth in Pursuit of a Purpose

The world of a teenager is filled with the allure of self gratification. Teenagers are pounded every day with images, ideas, and cultural pressure to conform to the ways of the world.

At "Pursuit," a weekend event in March, I was witness to a group of teenagers who, despite the pressure, are deciding to pursue the things of God. Youth from eight different churches in the Network chose to gather and pursue God and not what the world is offering.

"Pursuit" was a Jr. and Sr. High youth event to encourage them to pursue and to know God in a better way. Marv Lyons expressed the importance of passing on Jesus to their friends



and especially to those younger than them. Marv had the 19-year-olds lay hands on and

pray for some 13-year-olds. He challenged the teens to pursue and KNOW God so that they can be used by God to change their generation.

I was also a witness to God's heart to heal wounds and knock down walls of depression and doubt. Through an awesome worship time and words from God, the teens were called to fight and pray for their generation to pursue and know God. I don't see a generation running from God, but a mighty army being prepared to battle for the things of God, to battle for their generation. "Let us know, let us pursue the knowledge of the Lord." - Hosea 6:3(NKJV)



By Pastor Darrel Martin,
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<i>Agrupacion Familiar Cristiana</i>	<i>Nezahualcoyotl</i>	<i>Mexico</i>

Hopewell Happenings

- ☞ Hopewell Network Summer Camps 2011 dates are:
Teen Camp—June 27-July 1
Jr. Camp—August 15-19
If you would like more information or forms, go to www.hopewellsummercamps.org
- ☞ The Hopewell Network Summer Conference for Pastors and Leaders is again being held at the National Christian Conference Center in Valley Forge, PA. The dates for the conference are August 1 to 4. Elders are again invited to the Tuesday evening dinner and evening session.
- ☞ The Hopewell Network Christmas Lunch for pastors and leaders will be held on December 6 at Shady Maple Smorgasbord in East Earl.