

Dear praying friends,

Just wanted to say thank-you for praying for us and for the summit teams. God has taken us through some testing times as we have been waiting and waiting on Him to provide people for the teams. We were quite disappointed as not one of the 8 people who took applications at Reach weekend at North Cotes in March returned them. We have taken 7 meetings since that time and Norman has challenged everyone from 16 – 60 yrs old to come on a trip but nothing! Then last weekend he rang the 18 summiteers that we have booked to go with us to Philippines and Brazil, to see how they were all doing. He asked them to challenge others. Megan Sumner from Bridge chapel Liverpool took up the challenge and asked her pastor could she announce last Sunday in church. She got 5 people enquiring about it afterward, and Praise the Lord, two have applied to join that team. So as it stands we have 12 in for the Brazil team – just need 4 more. We can go with that number but the budget would be extremely tight esp. as airfares have gone up with fuel tax and we would have 4 deposits of £75 each to pay back to the airline. The final date for team members to Brazil with the airline is the 10th of June but we would like 4 more before orientation at the end of May. So that is a big prayer request.

As for the Philippines we have 10 places. 8 people have been accepted and we are waiting for another girl to send in her application in. Just yesterday (6th may) we got a note from Diversity Travel. My heart sank to my boots as I was reading it and they said names and passport numbers for the Philippines was due to be on the 6th. We had calculated it would be next week they would need the names. However as I read on they said **they** had overlooked to send us the invoice and therefore had negotiated with the airline and they have given us to the 20th May to get names in. How cool is that! Then last night I got an email from a girl from Leicester saying she would like an application for Philippines. I emailed her back right away to see how serious she was and saying she would have to have her application in by next week. She got back this morning that she really wants to go so I am just back from the Post Office and have sent her an application pack. If she and this other girl come on board we will have a full team for the Philippines!!!! Isn't God good?

Another prayer request is that a number of team members are students and money is tight. Please pray that the Lord will provide for them all so they can go on the trip.

One last request is for our son Caleb. He is going to Borneo on the 1st July to work at an orphanage for a few weeks. He has lost his passport and we sent away for a new one before Easter. Please pray it will come back this week as he needs to let the travel agent know his passport number and he also needs to send it off to get a visa.

We have been leaning a lot on Phil 4 v 5&6 this past wee while – be careful/anxious for nothing but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made know unto God and the peace of God that passeth all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Norman and Angela

McCREADY NEWS

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Dear friends,

2010 has so far been a very busy year. The Lord has stretched our faith and answered our prayers in many ways, often just at the last minute. We have been taking meetings, building, teaching, and preparing for our summer teams. That involves a lot of work corresponding with the different fields, with team members, booking tickets, preparing budgets etc. We have also been kept busy visiting Angela's dad who fell and broke his femur and was in a care home for four months. Thankfully he is now home again though he is still unable to walk. We are praying his bone will heal so he can be mobile again.



Christmas was a special time for us as we were altogether as a family and we made the most of it as we do not know when that will happen again. On January 21st Matthew left for Australia. He has settled well there and has got a job as an electrician with a mining company north of Perth. He is now working on changing his visa so he can apply for residency. We miss him but he is happy and we can keep in touch via phone calls and emails. We are praying he will soon come back to the Lord. The next to fly the coop will be Andrew when he goes to New Tribes Bible School in England in September. Rebekah is still in nursing in Liverpool so that means we will be just left with Caleb at home! He is always inviting his friends around so the house will not be too empty.

SUMMIT TEAMS

We have been delighted with the response there has been to our summer teams. We have 28 young people going to three different countries. On July 5th Norman is taking a group to **Papua New Guinea** where they will be flying into Hoskins, our old home and then flying on into the Mengen tribe where they will help a new missionary family build a house. We visited and worked in this tribe before so Norman is looking forward to seeing old friends again. Caleb has taken out all his savings as he wants to go 'home' so he is accompanying his dad.

Also on the 5th July Angela is going with another team to the **Philippines** for three weeks. There are 12 in total on this team counting Norman Murphy who is leading the team. They will be working on a house in a tribe in Luzon province north of Manila.

DV we will meet up again in Heathrow on the 27th July and fly back to Belfast together.

On the 5th August we will be setting off again, this time to **Brazil** with another group. We will fly to Sao Paulo and then will drive to Peniel where we will work at the NTM Bible School for national believers. We should be back in N.I. again on the 27th August.

We would really value your prayers. It is going to be a busy time. As well as coordinating the team Norman will be building and Angela cooking. It is a 24/7 job. **Please pray** the teams will have good health and work well together. Pray too we will have safety on our travels and especially that our flights will not be hindered by volcanic ash or strikes. Also pray that the lives of those on the teams will be touched and God will reveal His will to them for their futures. We are delighted that from last year's team two young men have applied for bible school and another couple is going out with our associate programme for a year to look after a guest house in Papua New Guinea.

We are still planning to take a team to **Thailand** at the end of the year so if you are interested in that or would like to hear about our work, or next years teams please contact us at the above number.

Yours in His Service, *Norman and Angela*

McCready News

Dear Friends,

January 2010

Here we are again at the beginning of a new year. Only *God* knows what it holds but as we have been thinking of what we would like to accomplish in it the Lord has been challenging us to keep our eyes off earthly things and 'to press towards the mark for the prize of the high calling of *God* in *Christ Jesus*.' Philippians 3 v 14

As you know last January we were reinstated into New Tribes Mission as 'Summit Coordinators for the UK and Ireland.' In July past we had the privilege of taking our first summit team to the Philippines. What a beautiful and diverse country it is. We had a great team of 13 people, 11 from Northern Ireland, one from the USA and one from England. (Raymond Dunwoody, our photographer is missing from the picture) We



were able to do a lot of practical work for the missionary we visited on a remote island, as well as at the mission guest house on the island of Palawan. The highlight of the trip for us was hearing the testimonies of how *God* is working in and through the lives of the different missionaries we met. They are just ordinary men and women, from many different countries and backgrounds, whose lives have been transformed by *God* and now they are giving their bodies back to him as living sacrifices so that others, who as yet have never heard the gospel, can come to know our precious Lord and Saviour. What a privilege to be part of the cosmic body of *Christ*. Everyone on the team was blessed and challenged by what they heard and saw. We are thankful too for all those who prayed for us as *God* answered and blessed us with good health, safe travel and a harmonious hard working group of people.

Since we came home Angela has been communicating with different fields about teams for this incoming year. We have made plans to take teams to the Philippines, Papua New Guinea, Brazil and Thailand. All we need now are people LIKE YOU to go!!

Would you be willing to do something worthwhile this summer?

Philippines 5th-26th July £1450

Papua New Guinea 5th -26th July £2295

Brazil

5th -26th August £1490

Thailand 15th -30th November £1390

It is expensive to go on these trips because they are to such remote places but God is able to provide if you are willing to trust Him. One of the missionaries in the Philippines was sharing with us how he had a group come from America to build his house. The tribal people, he had come to teach, were asking all kind of questions about how much he was paying the team. He told them he was not paying them anything but rather they had left their jobs for several weeks and that they were paying to come out to work for him! The people were amazed and said '*This must be a very important message that you are coming to teach us if so many people would be willing to do that so we can hear.*' It is indeed a very important message that will change hearts and lives and give people eternal life. Our prayer is that through these summit teams' people will get the vision for the vast multitudes that are still lost and walking in darkness. Proverbs 29 v 18 is so true 'Where there is no vision the people perish.'



Some family news.

Norman continues to do construction jobs as he can fit them in around trips and meetings. Angela spends most of her time on the computer doing work for NTM or preparing for meetings. Unfortunately her dad fell on the ice and broke his leg and will be confined to bed for the next 12 weeks so she will be kept busy visiting and helping him after he comes home from hospital. The children are all getting on with their lives. Rebekah continues to live in

Liverpool where she works as a sister in a surgical ward. Matthew has been building up his business as a self employed electrician but is leaving on the 21st January to work in Australia for a year with the view of emigrating there. Andrew had a place in for September in Dundee University but while in the Philippines last year the Lord spoke to his heart about full time missionary work and so he cancelled his uni. place and is working and saving up this year to go to Bible school in September. Caleb is now at Lisburn College of Further Education doing a diploma in professional cookery. His ambition this year is to learn to drive so watch out!!!

If you would be interested in going on a team or hearing more about our work please contact us by phone or email. Yours in the service of the King of Kings,

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