

# Reformed Episcopal Missions

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## Current News and Prayer Concerns—Summer 2011

**Pray for the REC Team Croatia:** Leaving for Europe on Monday July 18, this team represents 3 dioceses: Northeast, Southeast and Mid-America and several generations of Reformed Episcopalians. Caleb Andrews (St. Stephen's MD) just turned 20. The Rev. Damien Grout (a master carpenter) and his wife Jolie are Seminary graduates, beginning their ministry at St. Stephen's Church MS. Team Leader Paul Howden is the experienced rector of Grace REC, Scranton, PA. Canon Ron Mook was ordained deacon in the REC 45 years ago and is now serving as Interim at St. John's REC, Charleston, SC. Ron's wife Kathy is a nurse and was the 2011 Women's Day speaker.

Team Croatia will restore the entrance and some rooms in Good Shepherd Church (PRKC) in Osijek, Croatia. Archdeacon Jasmin Milic also plans 3 days of evangelism with the team as this center-city congregation reaches out to its surrounding community.

**English Camp in Germany:** Bishop Gerhard Meyer writes that English Camp participants are arriving at the Knull (Schwarzenborn). This includes Joni Evanhoe from Christ our Hope Anglican Ch, Dayton, OH, 4 team members from the Free Church of England and one camper from the new REC in Belgrade, Serbia. Gerhard and Grace Meyer's annual English Camp attracts German young people wanting to practice English. Several camp scholarships (\$280 each) are still needed to permit additional German young people to attend.

**Brazil:** Judy King and her partner Cathie Aberdour have republished Genesis and Exodus in the Apurina Indian language. They not only translate and correct the text, but do the printing collating and distributing of the finished books. Judy has recovered from one more bout with malaria.

We send our belated congratulations to retired RE missionaries Dan and Jean Olsen who celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in June.

**Partnership:** St. Francis REC (The Woodlands, TX) has partnered with the Rev. Jadran Jelovic and the Anglican parish in Sibenik, Croatia. Parishes interested in partnership ministry with parishes overseas are invited to contact the Board of Foreign Missions through their Bishop Ordinary.

**Southeast Asia Conference:** Learn how to use pastoral, ESL, business or professional care-giving skills to help the REC and other Anglicans plant indigenous churches in Southeast Asia. We'd like 20 or more Reformed Episcopalians to attend a Symposium with Singapore Mission leaders January 26-27, 2012 near Fort Worth TX.

## Current Mission Projects:

- Support needed for Bishop Gerhard and Mrs. Grace Meyer: \$8,000/year; English Camp Scholarships: \$280 each
- Sponsor a Christian Formation Ministry Seminar in Africa: \$2,000
- Support for a Church Planter in Croatia or Serbia: \$300/month



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