



United Methodist Volunteers in Mission
South Central Jurisdiction
Newsletter - April 5, 2010
“Connections”

<p> Contact: Debbie Vest Director-UMVIM Ministries 15120 Sunningdale Street Austin, Texas 78717 Cell: 913.568.8826 vimsdj@sbcglobal.net www.umvimscj.org </p>	<p> Important 2010 Dates Apr 5-9 Fayetteville, AR. SCJ UMVIM Week (Mt. Sequoyah) Apr 7-9 2011 Russia Consultation. Oklahoma City, OK. Apr 10 Team Leader Training. Plano, TX. Apr 17 Team Leader Training. Lubbock, TX. Apr 18 Team Leader Training. Baldwin City, KS. Apr 24 Team Leader Training. Ft. Worth, TX. Apr 24 Team Leader Training. Oklahoma City, OK. May 07 Emergency Response Training. Columbia, MO. May 08 Team Leader Training. Plano, TX. May 22 Team Leader Training. Plano, TX. Jun 18. Emergency Response Training. Columbia, MO. Aug 12-15 Individual Volunteer Training. Tahlequah, OK. Sep 27 Team Leader Training. Oklahoma City, OK. Oct 23 Team Leader Training. Oklahoma City, OK. </p>
	<p> Support Volunteers In Mission projects through your giving. Provide funds for VIM-South Central Jurisdiction projects by designating your giving to Advance #901455. </p>

TRAINING NEWS AND DATES

Individual Volunteers Training

GBGM will hold training for Individual Volunteers **August 12-15, 2010** at Camp Egan, Tahlequah, OK. Contact: Nancy Eubanks nteubanks@gmail.com

VIM Team Leader Training

- Kansas East Conference will hold a session **April 18, 2010** at Ives Chapel UMC in Baldwin City, KS. Contact: Julie Pohl kseastvim@yahoo.com .
- North Texas Conference will hold sessions **April 10, 2010** and **May 8, 2010**, both at the North Texas Conference Ministry Center in Plano, TX. Contact Marji Bishir bishir@ntcumc.org .
- North Texas Conference will hold a session for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing at Lovers Lane UMC in Dallas, TX on **May 22, 2010**. Contact Marji Bishir bishir@ntcumc.org .
- Northwest Texas Conference will hold a session **April 17, 2010** at Lubbock, TX. Contact: Vince Gonzalez dpmitigation@hotmail.com .
- Central Texas Conference will hold a session **April 24, 2010** at Alliance UMC, Ft. Worth, TX. Contact: Janet Wood janet@ctcumc.org
- Oklahoma Conference will hold sessions **April 24, September 27, and October 23, 2010**, all in Oklahoma City. Contact: Jeremy Bassett jbasset@okumc.org .

TRAINING NEWS AND DATES (Continued)

Basic Emergency Response Training

- Missouri Conference will hold sessions **May 7, 2010** and **June 18, 2010**, both in Columbia, MO. Contact Jeff Baker baker@umocm.com .

Spiritual and Emotional Care Team Training

- Kansas East Conference will hold two sessions **May 21 and May 22, 2010** at locations to be announced. Contact: Julie Pohl kseastvim@yahoo.com .

Local Church Disaster Response Plan Training

- Kansas East Conference will hold a session **April 24, 2010** at Wellsville UMC, Wellsville, KS. Contact: Julie Pohl kseastvim@yahoo.com .

Haiti Team Training

- Kansas East Conference will hold sessions **April 25, 2010** at Simpson UMC, Alta Vista, KS, **May 15, 2010** at Stilwell UMC, Stilwell, KS, and three sessions at Church of the Resurrection, Leawood, Kansas on **June 5, June 26 and July 17, 2010**. Contact: Julie Pohl kseastvim@yahoo.com .

CHILE EARTHQUAKE DISASTER RELIEF

- Working in partnership with Methodist churches in Chile, the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) has already begun to assist Chileans with recovery from the earthquake damages there. Bishop Joel N. Martinez, interim general secretary of the General Board of Global Ministries said: "The early reports of great destruction and widespread injuries and the increasing death count point to a need for a full response by all humanitarian agencies and governments in the coming days and weeks." A special Advance fund has been established, **Chile Emergency Advance #3021178**. As usual, you can route any funds your local church collects for Chile through your respective conference office. Make sure to reference the Advance number in your memo line so the office will know how to handle your gift.
- Regarding UMVIM teams, planning has begun that will enable teams to be assigned in the future.....an UMCOR assessment team will arrive in Chile on March 30. They will and GBGM UMVIM staff will work with the Methodist Church of Chile to develop the priority list for future UMVIM teams.
- See separate section of this newsletter for a message from Bishop Mario Martinex Tapia, Bishop of the United Methodist Church of Chile. He provides a current update on the situation in Chile from his perspective. Note: Bishop Tapia's wife, Denise Soto Vergara, is the UMVIM Coordinator for Chile.

HAITI EARTHQUAKE DISASTER RELIEF

Thank you for your support following the disastrous earthquake in Haiti. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) and United Methodist Volunteers in Mission, in full partnership with the Methodist Church of Haiti, have completed site visits and meetings in Haiti. As a result priority locations and projects have been established for UMVIM teams who will perform recovery work and other missions.

Additionally, GBGM has announced the staffing of three new positions. In Haiti, a Haiti Volunteer Management Consultant and a Haiti Hospitality and Finance Consultant will be added. The volunteer management position will be responsible for coordinate the logistics and materials for UMVIM teams on the ground in Haiti. The hospitality and finance consultant position will receive teams and assist them with housing, food, transportation and translators, and will receive funds to be used for project work in Haiti. In the United States, a US/Haiti Calendaring Consultant will added; this position will be responsible for matching UMVIM teams to project sites and scheduling teams—soon and over the course of the next several years.

So, the framework for a sustained effort, over many years, has been put into place while the in-country situation has stabilized and while the Methodist Church of Haiti has been establishing its priority needs. We therefore expect authorization to begin sending in UMVIM teams in the near future. In the meantime, here is how you can continue to help Haiti.....

How can I help?

- Continue your prayers for friends and loved ones in Haiti.
- The most immediate need is money. To donate to relief funding through The Advance, please provide checks to your local Methodist church or conference, payable to “The Advance” with “Haiti Emergency, Advance #418325” in the check memo line, OR *to speed your giving to those in need*, go directly to the GBGM Advance Giving website for the Haiti Emergency Relief and follow the instructions given there: <http://secure.gbgm-umc.org/donations/umcor/donate.cfm?id=3018760&code=418325>
- Health kits are needed. Please see the following for instructions on preparing the health kits: <http://new.gbgm-umc.org/umcor/getconnected/supplies/health-kit/>. Please provide as many kits as you can to your local church. The kits will be gathered by the churches into designated warehouses within each UMC conference, for shipment to UMCOR’s depot (Sager Brown) for transport into Haiti. If your church needs to know where kits are to be ware-housed in your conference, please contact your Conference Coordinator. The coordinators for each conference are given (third bullet item) on the South Central Jurisdiction’s UMVIM website: www.umvimscj.org .
- Importantly, UMCOR asks that you DO NOT stockpile clothing for relief at this time. All warehousing and transportation resources must first be utilized for medical supplies, health kits, and other items essential to help stabilize the situation.

HAITI EARTHQUAKE DISASTER RELIEF (Continued)

- UMVIM teams will be needed to help with restoration, re-building, and other needs—but, at a later time. As with all natural disaster situations, no teams will be dispatched until government and military personnel have assessed that areas are deemed safe and secure. GBGM/UMCOR will advise when UMVIM teams will be allowed in—the Haitian government has placed a moratorium on volunteer efforts until a later date to be announced. Our UMVIM teams must meet UMCOR’s specific Haiti Relief criteria: teams must have a leader with Team Leader training; teams should have previous experience working in Haiti; and, importantly, teams must be self-sufficient (must carry their own camping gear, food, water, emergency supplies, etc.).

Where can I go for more information?

- The United Methodist Church office of Communications, UMCOR is providing news on its website: www.umc.org .
- You will find news of the disaster and how UMCOR is responding on this website: <http://new.gbgm-umc.org/umcor/newsroom/hotline>.
- The South Central Jurisdiction website is providing news on its website <http://scj.umportal.org> and the South Central Jurisdiction’s UMVIM website www.umvimscj.org will provide updates and other information for UMVIM teams.
- Contact your Jurisdictional or Conference UMVIM Coordinator.

VOLUNTEER IN MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

CUBA OPPORTUNITY (NEW)

Aldo Gonzalez, UMVIM National Coordinator for Cuba, provides an update on the United Methodist Church in Cuba and advises of the continuing need for UMVIM teams there: As many of you know from past experience, the waiting time to go on mission trips to Cuba is usually lengthy and many of you ask for a date to go far in advance. I am writing to let you know that several groups are not able to go and so there are several months open. The assistance that UMVIM has provided to the church in Cuba in the past 15 years has been vital. The church in Cuba continues to grow at more than 10% a year for the last 10 years. Last year more than 1,000 baptisms were performed. Right now there are 282 churches and more than 700 missions. There are 290 pastors and a membership of more than 25,000 believers. We are still sending two (2) UMVIM teams per month. One team goes to many places in Cuba to rebuild churches, particularly out to the east where the church is experiencing the most rapid growth. The other team has remained in Havana working on the new seminary which is now almost complete. The second phase of the seminary project is to build four homes for visiting professors on a large lot situated on the way to the Havana Airport. The teams working at this site will stay at the Methodist Center and will travel to the site every day. Please let me know if any of you are able to fill one of the available months. Here are the available dates for the regular UMVIM teams: **July 2010, July 2011, August 2011.** Here are the available dates for the seminary UMVIM teams: **October and November 2010, and all months in 2011.** I am always thankful for your continued support of our mission in Cuba. Rich blessings to all of you. Contact: Aldo F. Gonzalez, telephone 703.631.7417 or afgon@cox.net .

VOLUNTEER IN MISSION OPPORTUNITIES (Continued)

RUSSIA OPPORTUNITY

The Louisiana Conference supports the First United Methodist Church in Yekaterinburg, Russia. The church building needs a number of repairs, including refinishing the floors and repairing the roof. We need people who have the skills to do these things and the desire to make an impact on the other side of the world. Even if you're not an expert, if you are handy with construction projects, we could use your help. The construction group will leave near the end of **May, 2010** and be gone about five or six days. A second group focusing on VBS and Bible studies will follow and return on June 6th. Please contact James Gillespie at 318.470.6806 if you are interested or would like additional information.

OKLAHOMA OPPORTUNITY

Earlier this year many parts of south and southwest Oklahoma were hit by a devastating ice storm. We have had four Churches from that damaged area register to host Disaster Response Mission Teams to help with the cleanup efforts. Several R-Teams (Response Teams) have answered the call to help. Over half of those teams have come from Kansas and Texas. What a blessing it is to have “Connectional Neighbors,” but the need still remains high and we are still in need of more VIM Team Leaders to step up and pull together R-Teams in this massive cleanup effort. If you are a trained VIM Team Leader please consider assembling a team to assist your Oklahoma United Methodist neighbors in the clean-up. If willing to help or simply need more information, please contact: Richard W. Norman, Associate Director, Oklahoma United Methodist Church: 800.231.4166 extension 2032, or 405.620.3901, or RNorman@okumc.org.

NEW MEXICO OPPORTUNITY

Primetimers are invited to join a seven-day event at the McCurdy School in Espanola, New Mexico **October 9-17, 2010**. Participants will experience first-hand the ministry of the McCurdy School, a National Mission Institution supported by United Methodist Women's financial resources. Come learn about the school and its mission to provide “a quality education with a Christian emphasis” to children in the region. Come explore the opportunities and challenges of engaging in cross-cultural ministry through examining the biblical foundations of serving and an introduction to cultural anthropology. For more information visit this Mission Volunteers website:
<http://new.gbqm-umc.org/about/us/mv/programs/primetimers/events/?C=6426&i=30240>

BRAZIL OPPORTUNITY

The Missouri Conference has scheduled a construction mission to Pereque, Brazil and invites those who wish to participate. The team will **depart Tuesday, August 10 and return Monday, August 23, 2010**. Everyone participating must hold a current passport, with at least six months of valid time left—from the date of our departure (August 10th); additionally a valid visa for is required. The team will follow the CDC immunizations requirements for Brazil. Our accommodations will be in the hotel in Pereque. The cost of this mission will be approximately \$2,500.00 and includes all expenditures except for personal items. To volunteer or seek additional information, please contact: Joe Bartelsmeyer at telephone: 417-466-3972 or cell phone: 573-489-4989 or e-mail: j.b.meyer1867@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEER IN MISSION OPPORTUNITIES (Continued)

LOUISIANA OPPORTUNITY

The Terrebonne Area Restoration Project (TARP) provides an opportunity for youth from across the country to join the hurricane recovery effort in South Louisiana. **TARP is now accepting registrations for the summer of 2010.** This past summer over 300 teens and their chaperones dedicated a week of their summer in Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana. The volunteers came from fourteen states: Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Tennessee, North Carolina, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota and California. In total, the TARP volunteers collectively provided 11,470 hours of service over the course of seven weeks, completing 15 projects—framing, roofing, dry-walling, replacing subfloors, installing floors, plumbing, decking and painting. This coming summer’s effort is expected to be equally successful. To participate in the TARP program or get more information, please contact: Laurie Byland, Terrebonne Area Restoration Project, at laurie.byland@firstmethodist.org. Please visit the organization’s website at: www.thebluetarp.com.

CAMBODIA OPPORTUNITIES

The Louisiana Annual Conference has had a transformational experience with the re-establishment of the Methodist Church in Cambodia. Our teams have gone to support the work in-country and have returned renewed and strengthened in the faith. The second of two 2010 missions are scheduled from the Louisiana Conference as follows: Youth Leadership Camp - **May 22-June 3, 2010.** Jack O'Dell, team leader, may be contacted at: pastor@thewellumc.com. The team will sponsor a second retreat for Cambodian Youth, who will become the leaders of the future Methodist Church. Those who participated in this event in 2008, both Cambodians and Americans, speak of this as a significant formational event. Team member slots are open. Churches can support the event with gifts of \$1000 which provide scholarships for the participation of Cambodian youth. Individual donations are welcome as well.

NEW MEXICO OPPORTUNITY

The Sacramento Methodist Assembly in Sacramento, New Mexico serves the New Mexico Conference as a year-round camp and retreat facility. They are in need of volunteer workers to help as follows: restoration of forest trails, general forest rehabilitation, light construction work, landscape work, assisting in operations and food service as needed. Teams are bunked in dorms and meals are provided. Cost is \$25.00/day for lodging and meals. The facility is located 125 miles north of El Paso, Texas. Help is needed year-round. See the web site at www.sacramentoassembly.org. For more information or to volunteer, please contact 1.800.667.3414 or info@sacramentoassembly.org.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

UPCOMING MEDICAL CONSULTATION IN IOWA (NEW)

The RXConneXion will hold a consultation “*How Do We Do Medical Teams Better?*” May 7-9, 2010 at Walnut Hills United Methodist Church, 12321 Hickman, Urbandale, Iowa. Anyone interested in United Methodist medical missions, medical UMVIM teams, and/or the new Mission Focus areas of the General Church should attend this event! We will be focusing on one of the areas – Global Health – and how medical UMVIM teams can fit into this goal of taking at least one component of Community Based Primary Health Care to leave behind in the community or clinic where they serve. Contact: Lorna Jost at umvim-ncj@brookings.net for an online invitation to register. For additional information, see the Rx webpage at www.umvimncj.org then accessing the Rx page from drop-down menu.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION (Continued)

INFORMATION FOR MISSIONERS TRAVELING TO NEPAL

Deirdre Zimmerman, is a GBGM missionary assigned to Nepal. For several years she also has served as an advisor to a Nepali NGO, Nutrition Promotion and Consultancy Service (NPCS), which works to address the high levels of malnutrition in Nepal—through community-level training and education projects. NPCS has almost 40 years of experience, and is widely respected for its pioneering work in this field. Deirdre extends this offer to missionaries who are planning to travel to Nepal. “While we are not in a position to host volunteers in mission, we would like to extend an invitation to any travelling to Nepal to discover our work here, by visiting our offices in Kathmandu. Since nutrition is such a huge issue throughout this country, you may find us a useful resource to support whatever health work you may undertake in Nepal. Please visit our website at www.npcs.org.np although it is currently being re-designed, so access may be limited during the next couple of weeks. Any volunteer travelling to Nepal with any further questions is welcome to contact me at the Mark and Deidre Zimmerman e-mail address: markz@wlink.com.np.”

MISSION LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The following website provides information about an exciting new program in the North Central Jurisdiction, “Mission Discovery - Send Me”. The focus of this program is inviting young adults who have an interest in mission work to team up with an experienced UVMIM team—with the goal of training new leaders. Please share this website with any Methodist young adult that might be exploring mission leadership opportunities. The website also provides valuable information to those seeking UVMIM mission trip opportunities. Please review: <http://sites.google.com/site/willyousendme/>

PRIMETIMERS ANNOUNCE UPCOMING EVENTS

Primetimers www.primetimers.info provides educational and mission service experiences for older adults. Following is a list of upcoming events; for further information contact Nancy Eubanks 877.882.4724 or Primetimers@gbgm-umc.org. *Event costs do not include cost of transportation from home and return.

“A Methodist Primer – Latin America” May **8-15, 2010**. San Jose, Costa Rica. *Event Cost - \$950.00

“Alaska: The Last North American Frontier” **August 20-28, 2010**. Auke Bay, Alaska. *Event Cost - \$975.00

“New Mexico’s Cultural Riches” **October 9-16, 2010**. McCurdy School - Espanola, New Mexico. *Event Cost - \$800.00

“All Creatures Great and Small” **November 7-12, 2010**. Epworth by the Sea - St. Simons Island, Georgia. *Event Cost - \$850.00

“Making Music – Jamaican Style” **January 8-15, 2011**. Brownstown, Jamaica *Event Cost - \$900.00

FOR YOUR INFORMATION (Continued)

REPORT FROM CHILE (NEW)

Bishop Mario Martinez Tapia, Bishop of the Methodist Church of Chile (contact: mariomartinez50@yahoo.com has forwarded this report on the earthquake damage in Chile and the recovery efforts there. His wife, Denise Soto Vergara, is the UMVIM Coordinator for Chile.

METHODIST CHURCH OF CHILE REPORT ON SITUATION ORIGINATED BY EARTHQUAKE

A fraternal greeting in the grace and peace of our Lord. Jesus Christ, special way to the Methodist brotherhood in the districts "William Taylor", Concepción and the South, that undergo the rigor of the recent earthquake that has affected these regions of the country. Our solidarity and prayer by the congregations, like also by thousands of our compatriots who are living this reality. We also express our affection and gratitude to hermanas/os that from the foreigner have made us feel their concern, pray and support in these circumstances

Just yesterday Sunday and today Monday, after unfruitful efforts to obtain some telephone communication, we subsequent to have a partial vision of the situation the earthquake. Luckily, until the moment, one has not inquired into damages or injuries to the Methodist brotherhood integrity of. Nevertheless, the infrastructure of temples, pastoral houses, institutions or houses of the members of our Church, like also its equipment and furniture have been greatly damaged, especially in the churches of the districts "William Taylor", Concepción and the South (seventh, eighth and ninth region of our country).

In some places, like for example: Church of Camilo Olavarría, has been necessary to evacuate the pastoral house by severe damages in its infrastructure and in other cities also the damages to pastoral houses have been considerable. The temples of Angol, Second of Temuco, Chillán, Los Angeles, First of Santiago, have several damages in their infrastructure, other cases the damages are little smaller, but also of taken care of much. (Concepción, Temuco, Temple, and, the agriculture boarding school of El Vergel) In several properties of the Church, as much in Santiago as in province, the peripheral walls with the neighbors have collapsed

There are churches of which we do not have information some until the moment: Talcahuano, Chiguayante, Coelemu, among others, by mainly not to have been possible to establish some kind of communication. In most of the cases not yet there is provision of the basic services: potable water, electrical energy, cellular telephone or. The food shortage is let feel with severity, like also the lack of fuels. In the central offices of the Methodist Church in Santiago, street Sergeant 1041, has been stated significant damages in its infrastructure, in addition, the potable water provisions and electricity not yet have been restored.

In the middle of this circumstance, we make a call express our brotherly solidarity through the prays and helps by means of love offerings that allow us to accompany this difficult moment that many of our brotherhood are lived. We express to each of them, next to its families, the love and communion of the Church, in the certainty that will receive the strength necessary to face this circumstance. "But in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us." Romans 8:37

Brotherly in Jesus Christ,
Mario Martinez Tapia

MISSIONARY REPORTS

REPORT FROM MEXICO (NEW)

Willie Berman (contact: wberman@prodigy.net.mx) is a GBGM Missionary in Mexico. In addition he now has been named the new Director for Manos Juntas Mexico initiative in Mexico. He sends this report dated March 3, 2010 from Manos Juntas Mexico, A.C in Rio Bravo, Tamaulipas, Mexico:

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. My name is Guillermo “Willie” Berman. I am the new Director for Manos Juntas Mexico (MJM) since January 1st 2010. I have been the Volunteers in Mission Coordinator since 2001 for the Eastern Conference of the Methodist Church of Mexico and a GBGM commissioned missionary since March 2008.

On December 2nd 2009, MJM was officially transferred to the Iglesia Metodista de Mexico A.R. (IMMAR) for its management and leadership, continuing with the ministries that for more than 10 years have greatly assisted the communities surrounding the areas of Rio Bravo, Tamaulipas. This new leadership means a big responsibility for us but also represents a new opportunity for the pastors and congregations of the IMMAR to be more involved than before in the different ministries Manos Juntas is leading. We are confident we can do this as we have a strong and skilled team in our current staff at MJM.

In this new administration, Manos Juntas would like to continue to partner with IMMAR in the ministry of building “casitas” for poor families, assisting churches, schools and other ministries with construction teams, medical clinics and the other areas like VBS programs and more outreach activities. It is our hope and prayer to take Manos Juntas skills and gifts to other areas of our of the IMMAR (the Eastern Conference of the IMMAR). There are priority projects of the Church in cities like Monterrey, Saltillo, Ciudad Victoria, Monclova, Piedras Negras and Nuevo Laredo.

Manos Juntas is currently assisting the Methodist Church of Mexico in the establishment of a new missionary field in San Carlos, a four hour drive, south of our border. San Carlos is a poor, rural, agricultural community with many needs. Some teams have gone there with Pastor Ruben Sifuentes from Rio Bravo, who does evangelistic work, as the team builds a casita or does a medical clinic. This has been a true blessing for all involved.

I want to take the chance to thank all the people that have served the Lord through Oklahoma VIM and Manos Juntas México and the leadership that has brought all of us into this new era of watching the Mexican Methodist Church take the leadership of this ministry. I am committed to do my best and to lead the MJM staff to continue doing their best for the Glory of God and the service of His people. I invite you to continue supporting this ministry and to pray for us as we take this big responsibility. Our vision and challenge is to grow in Mexico by being a model that will be duplicated through out the Methodist Church of Mexico.

Receive greetings from myself, our staff, our Board of Directors and our Bishop Dr. Raúl García Ochoa. May the Lord bless the work of our hands with His grace and strength. *“I am sure of this, that He who started a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.”* Philippians 1:6.

South Central Jurisdiction
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