

Eight people go to Haiti for week of ministry

By Pastor Dan Carson

On Sunday night, May 26, eight people drove to Denver and to catch their flight to Port-A-Prince, Haiti for a week of ministry. Dan and Dianna Carson, DeAnza Ambrosier, Darci Schields, Stephanie Busse, Nakita Schneider, Casey Vandike and Shayla Hubbard (along with parents and other church members) had three fund-raising, after-church dinners to raise the needed funds to travel to Haiti. What a trip!!!

Upon arriving in Ft. Lauderdale, the team waited and waited for their next flight into Haiti. Later they found out that a Brazilian plane had caught on fire in Haiti and the runway was shut down for two days. As the team waited in line for instructions on what to do next, they were told the next flight would be on Wednesday morning for them to go to Haiti. Amazingly, God moved upon a lady, who worked in the airport, to help the team, giving them transportation to the store to buy food for their next two days, and even taking them to the beach on Tuesday to enjoy the day and get out of the hotel room. The lady commented, as her daughter asked what we were doing there, "Mom, how can we bless them?"

Wednesday finally arrived and the team was able to fly to Haiti. Once in Haiti, they hit the ground running, visiting a Wesleyan school in the city of Cité Soleil, which is generally regarded as one of the poorest and most dangerous areas of the Western Hemisphere and has one of the biggest slums in the Northern Hemisphere.

From there they viewed the beginnings of a church, started by the Jesus Film of Haiti. Then they went to the Mother Teresa Children's Hospital for malnourished children where the team was able to hold, feed, play with, change diapers, love on, and pray for the children there. Following that, they ate at a fast food restaurant, and then participated in the showing of the Jesus Film.

On Thursday, the team visited a church

in the Carrefour area, which was near the epi-center of the 2010 earthquake. "It was amazing to see the people there singing and praising God on a Thursday morning!"

After that the team traveled to a local pastor's mom's house to pray for her health issues. Next they traveled to an area where a group of local pastors were gathered.

The team walked down the street and bought some sugarcane sticks to eat. They met a group of Wesleyan youth pastors and enjoyed visiting with them.

On the way back to the guest house, they were able to visit an all-boys orphanage and talk with them and share some of the toys they brought.

On Friday, the team set out for Mirrebalais, a mountain town, where a second Jesus Film showing would take place. Upon returning on Saturday, they stopped at a feeding program for children.

Each Saturday morning four adults would spend the time singing, playing games, and sharing God's Word with a group of approximately 200 children, and then feed them. After that, the team headed back to the guest house and half of them team set out for a mountain that overlooked Port-A-Prince. They were overwhelmed with a group of sellers trying to sell their wares.

On Sunday morning they attended the church in Cité Soleil that they had visited on day one. Pastor Dan shared the morning's message as Pastor Carl translated in to Haitian Creole.

After church the team went to a different guest house on the beach, where they were able to buy some local items and swim in the Caribbean Sea. Early Monday morning they departed for the airport to go back home.

They finally arrived back in Bird City at about 3 a.m. on Tuesday morning. "It was an incredible trip where we did so many things." Our hosts in Haiti said we were not the typical tourists, because what we saw was truly Haiti, the good, bad and the ugly."



Casey Vandike plays catch with the younger boys at a Boy's Orphanage in Haiti. Items were brought from home to leave with the kids at the orphanage, school and churches, including small inflatable balls, crayons and color books and friendship/Christian bracelets. Below, Nakita Schneider and Stephanie Busse play with some of the kids before the Jesus Film Service started.

Times photos by Darci Schields



Cheylin swimmers compete; continue to show improvement

On Saturday June 22, the Cheylin Swim Team traveled to Atwood for their week four swim meet. The swim team continues to show improvement each week, said Mary Anne Orten, swim team coordinator, as they gain experience.

Isabelle Gabaldon placed third in the 25m butterfly with a time of 37.27 seconds, and fifth in the 25m freestyle with a time of 29.87 seconds.

John Serrano placed first in the 50m freestyle with a time of 48.71 seconds, second in the 25m backstroke with a time of 32.37 seconds, and 1st in the 25m freestyle with a time of 21.16 seconds.

Soledad Bermudez placed 4th in the 25m backstroke with a time of 31.41 seconds.

Briana Vandike placed 7th in the 25m backstroke with a time of 36.6 seconds, 6th in the 25m breaststroke with a time of 66.59 seconds, and 1st in

the 25m freestyle with a time of 24.2 seconds.

Jacob Serrano placed 4th in the 25m backstroke with a time of 66.59 seconds, 3rd in the 25m breaststroke with a time of 82.23 seconds, and 6th in the 25m freestyle with a time of 53.81 seconds.

The relay team placed 2nd in the 100m medley relay with time of 120.72 seconds, and 2nd in the 100m freestyle relay with a time of 111.16 seconds. Members of the relay team are Soledad Bermudez, Briana Vandike, Mary Anne Orten, and Isabelle Gabaldon.

The week five swim meet will be held in St. Francis on Thursday June 27th. At the week five meet or "relay meet" the swimmers do not swim regular events. Instead they swim fun relays with swimmers from other towns. Because of this type of swim meet there will be no stats in next weeks paper.

Student News

More than 3,350 Kansas State University students have earned semester honors for their academic performance in the spring 2013 semester including several from the local area.

Students listed include Craig Busse, Savannah Isley, Brooklyn Hnizdil, Heather Hnizdil and Lance Leonard.

Students earning a grade point average for the semester of 3.75 or above on at least 12 credit

hours receive semester honors along with commendations from their deans. The honors also are recorded on their permanent academic records.

Craig is the son of Steve and Jan Busse, and Savannah is the daughter of Jeter and Nina Isley, all of Bird City. Brooklyn and Heather are the daughters of Tom and Marilyn Hnizdil, St. Francis; Lance is the son of Merle and Laurie Leonard, McDonald.

UPCOMING EVENTS in Kansas

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ACROSS

- Cooperstown charter member Ty
- Contracts, as an illness
- Porker's meal
- Baltic Sea feeder
- Jazzman Chick
- Transport by truck
- Soldiers who drop into battle areas
- Grid great Graham
- "Atlas Shrugged" author Rand
- Martini's partner
- Cast a ballot
- Maine politico Olympia
- "The Biggest Loser" contestants
- Whodunit plot element
- Phone listing abbr.
- Castle of the ballroom
- Goya's "Naked"
- Thirty minutes of football
- Not of the clergy
- Googol's hundred
- ___-Day (vitamin brand)
- Cornerstone word
- Off-ramp
- ___ a million years!
- Prefix with lead or fire
- Earth tones
- Road to conflict
- Ump's broom
- Troy, to Homer
- Run ___ of the law
- "There's ___ in 'team'"
- Disney's ___ & Stitch"
- Toucan Sam's cereal

DOWN

- Barry Manilow song locale
- Anita who sang with Krupa
- "West Side Story" composer
- Playtex product
- Christmas bird
- Cupid, to Plato
- Not so hot
- Carrier to Oslo
- Plays b-ball
- Coffeeshop order
- External
- Walks wearily
- Russell of "Les Misérables"
- Treasure store
- Neckline type
- Knuckleheads
- S&L offerings
- Uris's "___ 18"
- Seaport of Algeria
- Tex-___ cuisine
- Meyers of "Kate & Allie"
- Shrill down
- Gasoline additive
- "Star Wars" princess
- Autograph seekers
- Tabasco quality
- Noel who played Lois Lane
- Fleming who created 007
- Locks up
- "An Ideal Husband" playwright
- "Star Trek" extra
- Rubbed the wrong way
- Mute Marx
- "___ Bully" (1965 hit)
- Stable babe
- C&W mecca, with "the"
- Words of understanding
- Stylish dresser
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