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St. Thomas

Recently Len and Marcia Showalter traveled to St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands to meet with local Pastor Carl Richardson, Devon Linton and Will Rodriguez with Evangelism Explosion (EE). Plans were made to have a five day, multi-church leaders training event April 14 to 18 to train pastors in evangelism.

St. Thomas is a beautiful, English speaking island in the Caribbean with a rich history. And it takes only a three hour flight out of Miami, FL, to arrive there.

Pastor Len and Marcia spent four days in St. Thomas in February and learned much about the local culture and customs. Along with preaching in Pastor Carl's church Len held multiple meetings with other pastors from different denominations to encourage them in evangelism. They were also encouraged to attend the planned EE Clinic in April and to bring several of their lay leaders with them.

Attendance of 12 - 15 local participants is expected at the clinic; therefore

Len will need to have a team of about six certified EE trainers to assist with visitation process that will be held during three of the days of the training. Additionally, the trainers could stay and



St. Thomas' Famous Cruise Ship Bay

help implement EE in the local church a few days after the clinic.

The planned expense for each person is \$1650 with the trip dates April 12 - 20. Team building and preparation meetings are scheduled for the second Friday of each month. If you have any interest in assisting on this short-term mission trip by your prayers, by going, or by financial support, please contact the Len Ministries office as soon as possible. **LMI**

Dear friends of Len Ministries.

Did you know that a large, southern denomination with around thirty-nine thousand churches and fifteen million members is the greatest missionary-sending denomination in church history? Yet annually in the United States one-fourth of these churches cannot win to Christ and baptize a single convert. In fifty-two weeks of public appeals ten thousand pastors cannot reproduce themselves, much less train their members to do so.*

With your help this trend can not only be stopped - it can be reversed. My name is Dwight Preheim. I'm the newly-elected Chairman of the Board of Len Ministries. In just the past two years this ministry has been in ten nations, seen almost 2,500 people profess Jesus Christ as Savior, and trained almost 200 people to do the same! (I've personally gone on trips to four of those nations.) Also, this ministry is deeply involved with equipping people in the Jacksonville area. People are the only ingredient needed to ignite this explosion of evangelism.

Please prayerfully consider how God wants to use you to reverse this apathy for the Gospel that we are seeing in our pulpits worldwide. You can be part of this worldwide revival.

Nothing is as effective as your prayers. Please remember Len Ministries in your daily prayers. Also pray that you would be willing to be a part of the answer. It is a great blessing to get an answer to prayer, but it is an even greater blessing to be an answer to prayer.

You can be an answer to prayer by going on a mission trip with Len Ministries. If you can't go, will you help us to go? Your monthly contributions of \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50 or \$100 will be used by Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us.

* "Drawing the Net" by O. S. Hawkins, 1993 Broadman Press.



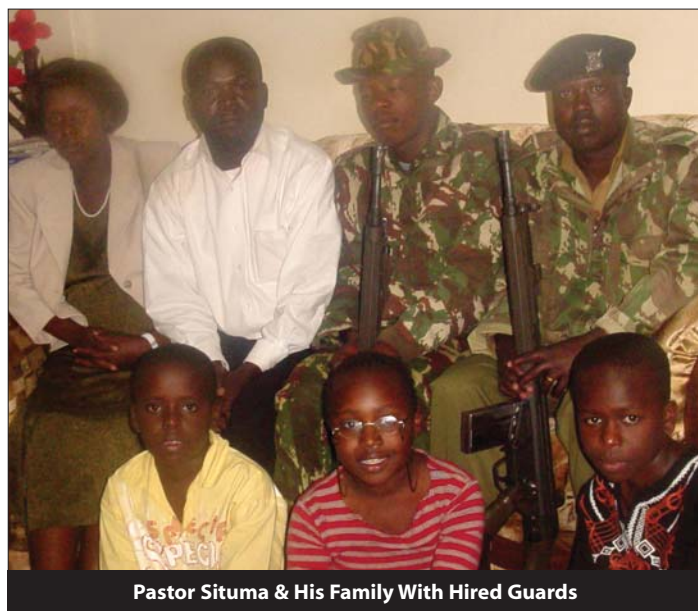
Dwight

Eldoret, Kenya

Pastor Elves Situma of Eldoret, Kenya, had invited Len Ministries to come and assist with an EE Clinic in his home church. Len Showalter had arranged a multi-national team from Russia, Cameroon, and Uganda to accomplish the training. It was originally scheduled for mid-February and then it was bumped to mid-March due to civil unrest following a contested presidential election.

The unrest continues and is focused in two areas: the Rift Valley and an area of Nairobi, the capital. Eldoret is located in the Rift Valley and has seen much trouble. In all of Kenya there has been thousands killed and hundreds of thousands displaced.

Plans to return to Kenya are on hold until peace returns and Len and the others can coordinate their



Pastor Situma & His Family With Hired Guards

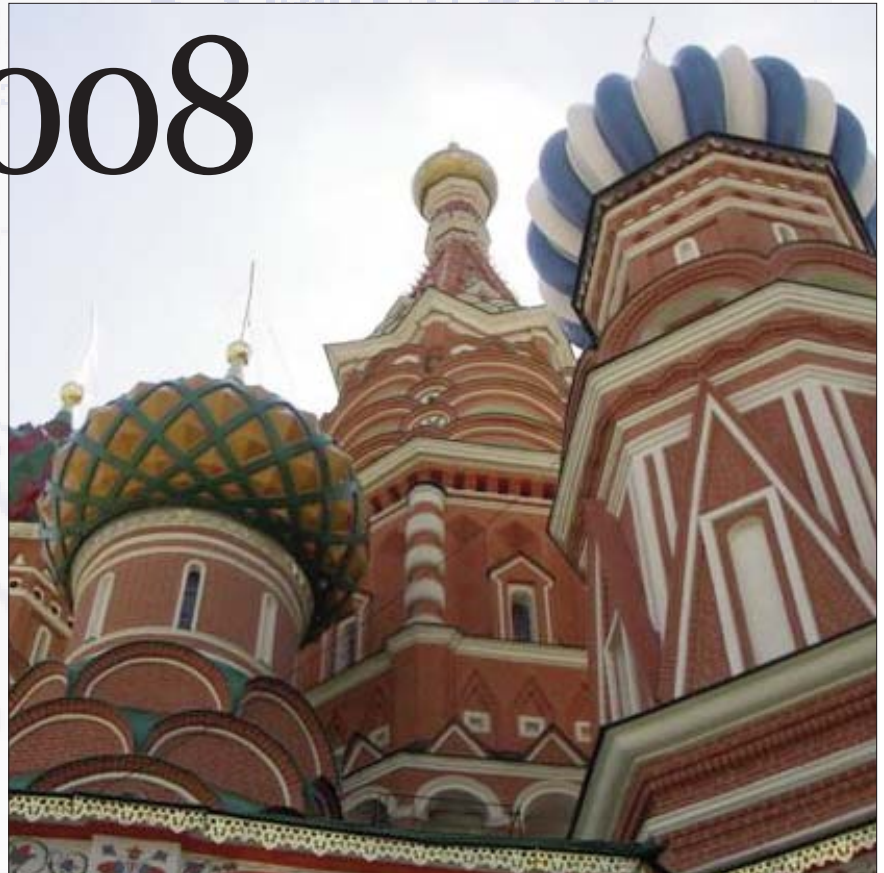
calendars. They are anticipating a return possibly by the end of 2008 or the start of 2009. [LMI](#)

Russia 2008

Plans are beginning to come together for several short-term mission trips to Russia in 2008. Teams are preparing for their respective two week trip: Yaroslavl from June 12 to 24, and Nizhny Novgorod (NN) from June 19 to July 1. There is also a possibility for a third trip from July 31 to August 12 to the Siberia area of Russia. (Please check our web site for the most current travel dates as they are subject to change.)

Team preparatory meetings occur every second Friday prior to departure date. Estimated expense for each traveler is \$3900. Anticipation is high especially with the prospect to return to NN as this is the city where Len Showalter participated in planting the Light of Christ Church in 1991.

If you would like to participate in this wonderful opportunity, please contact the Len Ministries office at (904) 992-0545 . **LMI**



Get in the *Swing* with Len Ministries!

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND THE 2008

Captain's Choice Golf Tournament

Friday, April 4 at Queen's Harbor Yacht & Country Club

1131 Queen's Harbor Blvd. | Jacksonville, FL 32225 | (904) 221-1012

REGISTRATION

Golfer Entry Fee: \$150.00

Each Golfer will receive a Gift Bag, Lunch and Dinner. Additional Opportunities to win various Hole Prizes, as well as Team Prizes.

Foursome Entry Fee: \$600.00

(\$500.00 if Pre-Paid by 3/28)

Hole Sponsorship: \$150.00

SCHEDULE of EVENTS

11:00 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.

Registration

11:45 a.m.

Tournament Begins

5:30 p.m.

Dinner, Auction & Awards

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE AND MAIL TO:

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2007 Facts.....

Please find detailed below the results of the local and international training for the year 2007:

	Completed Contacts	Times Gospel Shared	To # of People	Professions/Assurances
Jacksonville area	466	235	328	211
Cameroon & Uganda	311	102	308	181
Russia	998	398	862	389
Ecuador & Bolivia	1439	199	1439	1021
Totals	3214	934	2937	1802

61% of those that heard the Gospel professed Jesus Christ as Lord!

115 national pastors and laypersons were trained to share their faith!

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Church News

The following churches continue their EE semesters. Please contact them for exact dates and times to participate with them and make a difference:

Anastasia Baptist Church (ph# 904-471-2166) 1650 A1A South, St. Augustine, FL 32080. Contact Al Kaidor.

Arlington Assembly of God (ph# 904-724-7466) 88 Arlington Road, Jacksonville, FL 32211. Contact Gil Gibbs.

Christ Cares Alliance Church (ph# 904-641-8233) 1620 St. Johns Bluff Road North, Jacksonville, FL 32225. Contact Lito Ibarreta.

CrossRoad Church (ph# 904-448-1288) 10005 Gate Parkway North, Jacksonville, FL 32246. Contact Len Showalter.

Second Missionary Baptist Church (ph# 904-354-8268) 954 Kings Road, Jacksonville, FL 32204. Contact Winston Smith.

SonRise Worship Center (ph# 904-246-1515) 600 Levy Road, Atlantic Beach, FL 32233. Contact Jerry Curtis.

The Vineyard Church (ph# 904-737-2386) 5860 Mt. Carmel Terrace, Jacksonville, FL 32216. Contact Steve DeWitt.

A Note From Us...

We are so very blessed! When we travel to other nations, it is obvious. It is then when we realize how wonderful we have it - we have a roof over our head, hot and cold running water, food to eat, and the freedom to share openly the love of Jesus Christ with others.

It is easy to overlook the blessings we have with all the day to day problems and obstacles we experience. As the world soon will openly celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, it is a wonderful time to share with our friends and families exactly what this means.

Our prayer for you is that you may experience the joy of sharing the good news of salvation with another. Spring is celebrated up north as flowers begin to bud through the snow and the weather turns warmer. Salvation is much the same as it becomes rooted in the heart of someone else.

May you have a very blessed Easter! We hope you will have time to be with your family and friends. Thank you for being such a vital part of this ministry! May you be blessed abundantly for the work you are doing in the Kingdom of God!

With our love and gratitude,
Your Missionary Family,

The Showalters

(l-r:) Beth, Len, Sara & Daryl Van Tongeren,

Marcia, & Ruth

