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Walking Where Jesus Walked... 12 days in Israel

Visiting Israel has placed the Gospels in their cultural and geographical context.

I now understand why some call the Land of Israel the "Fifth Gospel." It is hard for me to read the Gospels now without picturing them being lived out in a real time and a real place. I can "see" the stories. I

have seen the Mount of Olives, the Temple Mount, the City of David with its walls and gates, the Wilderness, the Garden of

Gethsemane. I have seen the Sea of Galilee, the Jordan River, the Dead Sea, the Springs of En Gedi. I have

seen the Valley of Elah, the Kidron Valley, Gehenna and Megiddo (the Valley of Armageddon). I have seen Mount Zion, Mount Moriah, Mount Hermon. I have been to Bethlehem, Nazareth, Masada, Capernaum, Bethsaida, Magdala, Caesarea Philippi. These are no longer just words on a page as I read the scriptures. They are places where I have walked the ground, splashed in the water, felt the sun, seen the ancient remains. The stories now have a depth, a richness, a color I didn't know existed, like one with poor eyesight who puts on glasses for the first time. I can see!

Disciplemaking Training

Our training initiatives in both Haiti and East Africa are based on equiping young leaders with the vision and the skills to make disciples who can make disciples. We follow Jesus' pattern and priority for making disciples, looking carefully at Christ's life as we harmonize all four gospel

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accounts into a single narrative. My training will have a new passion, a new depth, a new clarity, as I communicate with greater understanding the context and significance of the events of Jesus' life now that I have studied "on location" in the land where Jesus-walked.



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Israel Trip

The Mount of Olives

From the stunning view atop the Mount of Olives, the place where it is recorded in Acts 1 that Jesus ascended back up to Heaven from, we took in an overview of the city of Jerusalem. Inside the city

walls, we could see the location of the ancient City of David, the Temple Mount, the churches commemorating



the locations of the Upper Room, the Crucifixion and the Resurrection.

The Judean Wilderness



My first sense of awe in Israel came in the barren, hot, deserted wasteland of the Judean Wilderness. It was

here that John the Baptist preached, as the voice of one calling in the wilderness. It was here where Jesus himself was led by the Spirit to fast for 40 days before facing the tempter. Unchanged by time, I marveled at the thought that this was the same view Jesus had almost 2000 yrs ago.

The Sea of Galilee

With much of Christ's 3 1/2 years of public ministry taking place around the region of the Sea of Galilee, our five days



of study there were rich with history, packed with meaning. Here jesus performed most of his miracles.

fed the 5000, walked on water, called the 12, preached the Sermon on the Mount.

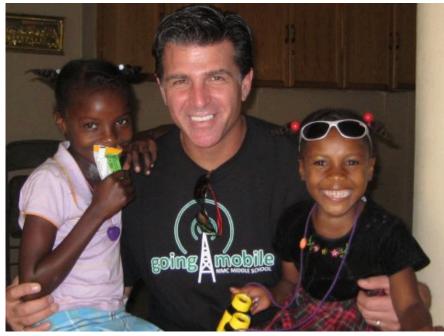
Thank You!

Thanks for praying for, encouraging, supporting and loving us! We are only 4 months into 2010... what an amazing year of ministry it is shaping up to be!

Serving Christ,

Doug and Jennifer

100K in 100 Days God has done it!



A home for Edline & Edithe... two precious orphan girls our family has been sponsoring... the first among many orphans to be welcomed to ODCH

"With God, All Things Are Possible!"

As of May 1st, the 100th day since God laid on my heart that we needed to raise funds to build the orphanage in Haiti, \$102,000 has been raised through DHM & ODH!

We are finalizing the purchase of five additional acres of land for the Orphans & Widows Project, enough to house both Open Door Children's Home and the Widow's Village, as well as agricultural projects to grow food for these ministries. Once the landpurchase is finalized, Open Door will break ground on the orphanage.

Chris Richardson, a friend who first traveled to Haiti with me in 2006 and has made multiple trips since, has left his job to pursue God's call to serve Open Door Ministry in Haiti. With a background in construction, marketing & business, Chris will oversee the Orphans & Widows Project from start to finish. We have

five teams traveling to Open Door this summer, two of which I will be leading, and four more teams going in the fall.



SOYM Dormitory Needed

With all of these ministry teams traveling to Haiti, our Ministry Center will be very crowded... a good problem to have. We are praying fervently for God to provide additional dormitory space for our School Of Youth Ministry students by the fall. We want to expand our SOYM program, opening it up to young women as well. They are hungry to learn. This will not be possible without expanding our dorm capacity to open up the doors to more leaders. Pray with us that God provides.