

Making Disciples... Who Make Disciples... Worldwide!

HOLLIDAY ADVENTURES

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The Ministry Newsletter of Doug & Jennifer Holliday

PRAYER ALERT:
I'M WRITING THIS UPDATE
FROM ATLANTA, ON MY
WAY TO NIGERIA, WHERE I
WILL SHARE THE GOSPEL
WITH SEVERAL THOUSAND
YOUTH THIS WEEK.

Impacting Youth, Giving a Generation Hope... In Haiti

YOUTH REACHING YOUTH, BOTH HERE AND THERE!

Two teams of youth from Minnesota traveled to Open Door Church this month to minister to Haiti's youth and help Open Door finish its orphanage project. Ministry partner Mark Gold brought one team while I led the second team along with our friends Greg & Jennifer Kvamme. Tropical Storm Emily tried its best to deter us, but God's plans prevailed. We had about 200 youth attend an EQUIP conference where they were trained how to minister to their friends and share the gospel with the lost. A highlight of the youth conference was the concert of prayer, where the team got to experience the fervency of the Haitian youth as they cried out to God and the passion of the Haitian youth as we worshiped together, singing in a beautiful mixture of english and creole. The week after receiving our training, the youth of Open Door Church got to use what they learned in EQUIP at their annual crusade where several thousand attended and 69 people put their faith in Christ for salvation. They also are participating in mission trips to Open Door's newest church, planted with the help of Mark Gold's team, two hours away in the northeastern city of Quanaminthe. Teams are visiting every weekend to help share the gospel with people throughout the town and invite them to the new church. How exciting to see God raising up a generation to reach their generation.

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Emma traveled with Daddy to Haiti, where she met her new sisters, Edline & Edithe.



Youth praying with and for one another at our EQUIP.



Our New Church in Quanaminthe

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The Power of the Gospel

AND PRAY FOR US, TOO, THAT GOD MAY OPEN A DOOR FOR OUR MESSAGE.

I love God stories. God is at work all around us, all the time. Occasionally, we pay close enough attention to see it, even experience it. This was one of those nights. It was the final night of back to back weeks at Spring Valley Bible Camp, where I first spoke to the Jr. High campers, and then to the Sr. High. The next morning, our family would get up early and begin the 21 hour drive back home to Florida, but I wanted to finish strong.

My message that final night was from Colossians 4, challenging all of us to pray for and seize opportunities to share the Gospel with our friends.

I began the message with an illustration. I picked a student from the front row, a girl named Kathryn, to stand in front of the group at the bottom of the stage. I told everyone, "Let's imagine that Kathryn and I are friends. We're at the lake here at camp, I'm standing on the dock, and I see Kathryn struggling in the water. She can't swim. She is going under. And I just watch. I watch her fight and flail. I watch her drown. Now let me ask you... what kind of friend am I?" The

feeling was pretty unanimous. I would be a terrible friend. Really, I wouldn't be any friend at all. Especially since I have a life preserver right there on the dock with me!

I then challenged the students. Each of us have friends that are drowning in their sin, and we do nothing about it. We stand there and watch. We keep our mouth closed. We have the life preserver of the Gospel, but we don't give it to them. We keep silent. What kind of friends are we?

After chapel had finished, several students stayed after to talk. I stood at the door to say good-bye to the students. I would be leaving early in the morning. Kathryn was one of the first to leave.

As I talked with several students, encouraging them in their faith and praying with them, I noticed that Kathryn had come back with a friend. They were the last ones to talk with me, and Kathryn said, "As I was walking back to my cabin, something told me I needed to come back and talk to you."

Kathryn was on a spiritual journey. Friends had brought her to camp. They were talking to her all week long. They were praying for her. As she walked back to her cabin that night, two guy friends were praying for God to reach her heart. And that is what



Kathryn and Ty, who prayed for a year for her salvation

He did! Kathryn would write the next day on facebook... July 28, 2011- the day that forever changed my life.

*Serving Christ together,
Doug & Jennifer*



Senior High Camp at Spring Valley Bible Camp in Muscatine, Iowa



Students diving into God's Word



Camp Food, Camp Fun