

Copper Basin Crisis Center Mission Trip Ducktown, Tennessee

December 20-24, 2006

CATALYST Christian Mission Mobilization

Under the direction of missionaries Al and Margaret Patterson, directors of the Copper Basin Crisis Center (a project of the Tennessee Baptists, the local Baptist Churches, and NAMB), the mission group served the people of Ducktown, Tennessee and the surrounding communities in the mountains of



East Tennessee. The group assisted in the annual Christmas gift outreach to underprivileged families and elderly in the area. This involved the team adopting several families and purchasing Christmas gifts for them and then personally delivering them. The team also made several other gift and food box deliveries to those in need. A

portion of our group also helped to build a wheelchair access ramp at the home of a disabled individual. Each situation provided us with the opportunity of being an example in word and deed for the Gospel.

As Margaret and Al share the Gospel with these folks regularly, our team was able to continue to share in several unique situations. We intervened and prayed over a marital dispute, we gave gifts and a verbal witness in several remote impoverished households, and we replaced a mattress in the home of an obese lady with significant health problems that needed the hope of Christ - all in partnership with Al and Margaret in furthering the Gospel of Christ.

We saw God stretch each of us as we ministered to each family. Many times there were circumstances that were difficult. It was humbling to see the love of Christ transcend through each situation, and to watch our team being changed for Christ's glory.



God only knows the eternal impact that was made on this trip. We pray that the outreach done and seeds that were planted will reap a kingdom harvest....all for His glory.



MEEERRRYYY CHRISSTMAAS - what is that?

- *Total number of families touched by the Copper Basin Crisis Center this Christmas season = 900 + families*
- *Approximate number of direct contacts/opportunities for witness directly tied to our team = 20 + families*
- *Approximate monetary investment into the long-term Gospel Ministry at the Copper Basin Crisis Center by our team and donors: \$3000 + dollars*



Participants: Joey, Sandy, Elizabeth and Robert Mehlhorn, Andrew, Amy and Brennan Brown, Catherine Gibson, Rebecca McClure, Stephanie Hamilton, Olivia Brown, Zach McCain, Joseph Caldwell, Nicholas Lewis*

Copper Basin Crisis Center Missionaries: Al and Margaret Patterson