



# Catalyst Communiqué

March 2009



Dear Catalyst Partner,

I want to personally thank you for supporting us despite the “economic noise” going on around us. While there are real challenges in our economy, our God is never changing and ever faithful. Our trust is in Him.

We want to tell you about our economic stimulus plan that is for real eternal change: it is called “**Change for Change.**” From now until December we will be focusing on bringing in new monthly partners showing how significant smaller donations “change” can make a big difference in the lives of others for Christ’s Kingdom...a Romans 12 kind of transforming change! We will be hosting “Catalyst Change Dinners” over the next 4-5 months. If you know of someone we need to add to our financial partner list, **or if you’d be willing to host a “Change Dinner” please contact us.**

As God has prompted us, one of the ways we want to make change count is by mobilizing volunteers and resources to help our neighbors’ **right here in the USA that may be hurting.** One such place we can do so is in the Copper Basin community of the East Tennessee Mountains.

Imagine if you didn’t have work or limited job opportunities before this crisis started ... imagine if unemployment was already at record highs... before this started ... imagine if you had lost hope and had inadequate shelter... and it had a been a long time since someone prayed over you? Sound like third world ...well sort of ... it is in a depressed mining community in **rural Appalachia known as the Copper Basin.** While we have taken limited groups to this area for several years, here’s what we are praying that God would show us as a renewed focus:



- Working poor families in need of “habitat” type housing makeovers or builds
- Ways to do community development through job skills training and micro-industry start-up
- Good church partners to tie community outreach to long-term spiritual discipleship of these needy folks we will reach
- Inexpensive base lodging and transport to this area (**we are praying for a bus!**) so we can mobilize many volunteers to this area.

Thanks for praying and giving. **Pray specifically for our staff missionaries whom are also facing financial challenges in the weak economy.**

Together we can be a Catalyst for Change for God’s Kingdom for the glory of God!

Andrew Brown

**PS – Please note the mission project opportunities on the back page. Get involved by praying, giving and going!**

MISSION PROJECT PRAYER AND PARTNER LISTING – MARCH 2009 UPDATE

- Research and House Building Trip – **Juarez, Mexico (yes the place in the news pray for our team's safety)** - with Christ Community Church and Casas for Cristo – April 4-10 (travel funds still needed) [Andrew@CatalystMissions.org](mailto:Andrew@CatalystMissions.org)
- Adventureserve College – May – **Appalachia, Copper Basin** -USA [Jana@CatalystMissions.org](mailto:Jana@CatalystMissions.org) – need college students willing to serve and learn
- Building and Community Development- **Appalachia, Copper Basin, USA** – Summer 09 – need builders, Bible School leaders, teachers of job skills [Andrew@CatalystMissions.org](mailto:Andrew@CatalystMissions.org)
- Research and Language Learning – July – **Guanajuato, Mexico** – [Kris@CatalystMissions.org](mailto:Kris@CatalystMissions.org) – please pray for our team.
- House Building and Community Development Project –October 10-17 - **Church at Paradise, Nicaragua** – Now building an interest list – builders, agriculture teachers, inductive Bible study leaders, bible school teachers [Andrew@CatalystMissions.org](mailto:Andrew@CatalystMissions.org)
- Christmas Gift to Appalachia – **Appalachia, Copper Basin, USA** – December – need willing hands and FAMILIES desiring to serve this area of East Tennessee [Andrew@CatalystMissions.org](mailto:Andrew@CatalystMissions.org)
- Barrio Outreach – **Leon, Nicaragua** -Jan 2-9, 2010 – Now building an interest list [Jana@CatalystMissions.org](mailto:Jana@CatalystMissions.org)

Watch our website [www.catalystmissions.org](http://www.catalystmissions.org) for further updates or contact us directly

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