

Greetings ACMF partners!

Let me first thank all of you who have given towards the "JESUS. Hobbs House of Hope" orphanage to be built in Nairobi, Kenya. We have received the \$16,000 needed to purchase the five acres of land that will be the site for the orphanage, learning center, and administrative facilities! Upon receiving the project proposal, we will wire the funds to Peter and Jemimah Njao who in turn will secure the land. The Njao's, with the help of the Mercy Foundation, continue to feed the street kids and provide their basic necessities. For these precious "children of the dirt" to have an actual building where they can live and beds, rather than dirt mounds, that they can sleep in would be an enormous blessing. Please continue to give as the Lord leads to see this vision that began in the heart of Billy Hobbs become a reality, and designate your gift "African orphanage." Thank you for joining with us in this project.

Billy and I started traveling and ministering internationally with Sammy and Tex Tippit in 2003. That is how we were introduced to Africa and the needs of the many orphans. Now through another trip, God has opened my heart to a region of the world I would have never dreamed possible. In May, I traveled with Sammy and Tex to the Middle East where we spent a week teaching and discipling leaders of underground house churches. We could not meet in their country, due to the persecution of Christians there, so we met in a neutral country.

(The country from which these leaders came is considered one of the most difficult regions in the Middle East.) But God is moving!

Lord willing, I will travel to meet with these leaders again at the end of October, and I believe that someday God will make a way for me to actually meet with them in their own country. Please join in praying for that.

As needy as Africa is physically, this country is spiritually. To speak the name of Jesus to the wrong person would mean sure imprisonment and possible death by hanging or stoning. Despite very real dangers these believers have a boldness that can only be attributed to the Holy Spirit. I was challenged by their willingness to evangelize in the face of certain persecution, though this obedience could cost their lives.

A young leader we met at the conference in May shared this story with us. She was taking a course in school, and God impressed her to witness to her professor. It could have cost this woman her life to be so bold. However, she obeyed that "still small voice" and told the professor about her belief in Jesus. The professor then told her of a dream he had, saying, "I saw myself in a large field on judgment day. Everyone was going to stand before God, and I was frantically searching for Mohammed. I couldn't find him, and an angel appeared and said, 'You have gone the wrong path. This is not real. Jesus is real.'" The professor asked this believer the meaning of his dream. She relates, "I told him that Jesus was trying to reveal Himself to him and that he needed to follow Jesus. He prayed with me and gave his heart to Jesus. It was so wonderful!" This young lady has continued sharing her faith and led many of her fellow students to Christ.

Like this young lady, most of the leaders in this region are less than three years old in the Lord. It is critical that they be trained in the basics of the Christian life and how to teach these to others. God has already given me opportunity to encourage these young Christians in their walk with Jesus through daily correspondence over email and Instant Messenger. They are so hungry to know Jesus more deeply and learn about His teachings.

In keeping with the Mercy Foundation's purpose of ministering to the least, the last, and the lost, we will be equipping a generation of evangelists within this persecuted people group by utilizing technology developed by Sammy Tippit Ministries. STM will be launching an interactive discipleship training school through a live web cast as well as an instant messenger service. As a representative of the Mercy Foundation, I will be used to help lead these weekly meetings over the Internet. It is so exciting to think that from right here in San Antonio I will be able to interact with believers in the Middle East in a live classroom setting.

This amazing ministry, which includes my time in the Middle East, has an approximate cost of \$5,000 between now and the end of the year. Your donations to the Mercy Foundation will have an impact on equipping the saints.

Bless you!

Kristi Hobbs

"Therefore, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things which you have heard from me, entrust to faithful men who will be qualified to teach others also."

2 Timothy 2:1-2