

CALEB GOOD NEWS MINISTRIES NEWSLETTER



Acts 1:8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

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Caleb Nigeria visits House of Hope Downs Syndrome facility.

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40 foot high cube container shipped December, 2008 finally arrives at Romania destination. Story on page 2

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Night Gospel Meetings held in India to avoid interruptions by Hindu police patrols. This meeting March 4th by Caleb Pastor Hermon Raju in Andhra Pradesh. Story on page 3



Swan Ministries reports atrocities against Christians in Pakistan as outdoor evangelisms continue to grow amid persecution by the Taliban. Story page 4

CALEB CONTAINER SHIPPED DECEMBER 2008 ARRIVES MARCH 2015

In October, 2008, the Caleb Ministry was notified it had to vacate its donated warehouse space in Sea-Tac Industrial Park by years end. With just 30 days lead time, the final container was packed and shipped to Braila, Romania. The cargo included the usual clothing, household goods, medicines and shoes plus special items of our warehouse work benches, tables, tools and equipment. This was the 170th container sent out by Caleb Ministries, 135 destined for Romania and 35 going to other parts of the globe including Hong Kong, Thailand, Nigeria, Ghana, The Congo, Moldova, Ukraine, Russia, Bulgaria, and Hungary.

However, container #170 was not delivered once arriving at Constanta, Romania. The shipping agent Borderless Logistics went out of business without notice, leaving us unable to deliver the original Bill of Landing at Romania customs for release of our prepaid shipment. All the staff of Borderless Logistics disappeared overnight.



Despite months of effort trying to locate them, we were unsuccessful and Romanian customs confiscated the container and fined us \$2,000 for costs of disposal. This was the only container not received of 170 shipped. Two weeks ago we received word that since 7 years has passed, the container is now being released, having not been destroyed by Romanian Customs as was previously reported. It is now being delivered to our Braila warehouse without additional expense this coming week!

“So I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten, The crawling locust, The consuming locust, And the chewing locust, My great army which I sent among you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, And praise the name of the LORD your God, Who has dealt wondrously with you; And My people shall never be put to shame. “ Joel 2:25-26

Frequently Asked for Items:

Caleb has been asked for the following items by churches and/or villages:

Medications—over-the-counter medications/half used medicines (call Connie Phillips at 206.200.7893 to verify usability)

Clothing—Linens, cloth, light weight summer clothing, shoes winter clothing, & larger sized clothing.

Food—rice, beans, Spam, canned meats of any kind, canned cocoa, and powdered milk

Musical Instruments (small)—accordions, harmonicas, violins, keyboards, etc.

Hygiene items—toothbrushes, scented soap, travel-sized shampoo and toothpaste, and bandages

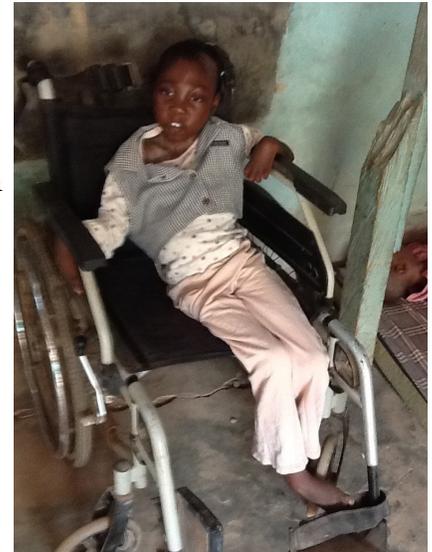
Caleb Ministries needs your help in funding for shipping, and sponsoring programs. Besides funds, we can use your old cell phones, ink jet and laser print cartridges, and donated airline frequent flyer miles.

Our Alaska Airlines account is 44196062 under the name Jerry Brian Riess. Contact your airline to transfer any unused miles.

When renewing your license tabs, send in the request for Metro Bus Passes. You will receive 8 or 10 passes which we give to the homeless for their needs in getting jobs or going to medical appointments.

Caleb Nigeria Continues Many Programs

The African Director of Caleb Ministries Chibuzor Eze has added new dimensions to our work on that continent. Last month they gifted food, clothing and a washing machine to a lady who operates House of Hope home for Downs Syndrome children without any support from the government. The Caleb work team made repairs and improvements to her home, using their own resources. They have asked a grant of \$1,000 from Caleb USA to complete a medical mission to Ilaje in Ondo State, Nigeria so they can deliver medical care, food and supplies they have assembled. The team includes two doctors and two nurses and has very good medicines for malaria and pain relief. We will send the funds as soon as we have them.



Additional photos of the Africa Missions are on page 5.

INDIA PASTORS HEADING UNDERGROUND

The Spiritual battle continues to rage in India as the new National Government is enacting protectionist laws to preserve Hindu as the only recognized religion on the sub-continent. Pastor Hermon Raju reports using street evangelism in evening hours when police are not patrolling as an effective tool. Western pastors are reporting arrests, detainment and deportation for conducting public services, not permitted except by Indians.



Mission To The Philippines 2015

Jerry Riess returned to the Philippine Islands January 11 through February 25, 2015. The trip was blessed in many ways as Jesus opened doors for ministry in diverse places. When a terrorist group slaughtered 42 policemen one evening and then another 10 three weeks later, Jerry was invited by their chaplain to design and conduct a memorial service at the site of the attacks.



In Gandra area we visited many remote villages, holding services in the streets as the churches and buildings had been destroyed by the typhoons. The last service was held in a church build in the Cebu City dump!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

April 24 Caleb Packing from 10 am until finished, Caleb House.

Bible Study resumes each Friday night at 7 pm at Caleb House. Light meal provided. Subject is Day of Discovery program on The Seven Churches of Revelation.

Next Caleb Movie is scheduled for May 17 at Westside Foursquare Church at 7 pm. The movie is “One Night With The King”, a very dramatic and moving depiction of the book of Esther.

PAKISTAN REPORT

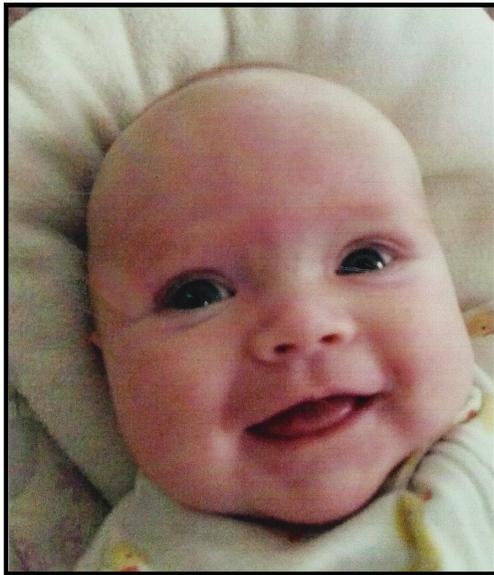
With the return of the Taliban to power in many areas of Pakistan, the Christians are facing persecution more severe than before. Pastor Rauf Swan reports that two suicide bombers entered Christian Churches during services, killing 70 and injuring hundreds more. The authorities then arrested 66 Christians and charged them with crimes, jailing many and confiscating their property. Pastor Swan pleads for our prayers in these difficult times. Over 3,000 Christian families in his town are threatened at this time.



Letter from the Director

In this troubled time it is easy to fall into the trap of hatred and simple answers. We must resist as best we can. Our brothers and sisters in Africa, India, Pakistan, The Philippines and the middle east are suffering unspeakable atrocities, designed to get our eyes off of Jesus and embroil us in revenge. The answer is not violence nor is it a simple fix. We must strive to continue bringing Jesus to others. The harvest is ready everywhere we look. In a small way, the Caleb feeding programs, free medical clinics, removal programs for refugees, feeding of the Homeless on streets of Seattle, Bucharest, Manila, Cebu, and other venues, are the most effective tools of showing love for one another. Please continue praying for those on the front lines!

Jerry Riess



SPECIAL THANKS FROM:

SAMANTHA ROSE

To the Caleb Ministry
Volunteers and Friends
who contributed
food, furnishings, clothes, toys, diapers
&
loving prayers!

The family of Samantha Rose (pictured above) visited Caleb House recently to personally express their deep appreciation shown by many in collecting and gifting generously to their family in anticipation of the birth of this beautiful baby. All are doing well and are so grateful for the expression of Christ's love amply demonstrated in our response to their needs for the young family!

African Outreach Photos

These are a few Additional pictures from Caleb Nigeria Mission Out-reaches to the refugees and poor in Africa.



And whoever gives one of these little ones only a cup of cold *water* in the name of a disciple, assuredly, I say to you, he shall by no means lose his reward.

Matthew 10:42