



# Hope Corps Short Term Missions Reports

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Each person who joins Hope Corps is asked to dedicate at least one week per year to missions. Since its launch in 2010, over 160 people have been trained and inspired through Hope Corps; people who are excited to make a difference in the world. In just three years, Hope Corps alumni have served 100+ combined weeks in short term missions abroad.

Here are a few Short Term Missions (STM) reports from various Hope Corps alumni. If you would like to be notified of missions opportunities through Hope Corps, please contact us at [alumni@hopecorps.net](mailto:alumni@hopecorps.net). If you have been on a recent STM, please send us your STM reports as well!

## **Sarahanne Buster – Wiesbaden, Germany** **(3 month STM from January to April 2011)** **(Written during STM) photo 1**

Greetings from True Vine Apostolic Tabernacle! Located in a beautiful country and within a quaint town, I feel so privileged to a part of what God is doing in Wiesbaden, Germany. True Vine Apostolic Tabernacle has only been in commission for one year. We are a mix of military and German nationals combined. We recently had our first German translated service due to revival among the native people! It was a very exciting time for our church! God is softening hearts and pouring out His spirit among the people in Wiesbaden and the surrounding areas. It is catching! The people at True Vine are beginning to let our lights shine upon those around us with boldness.

Passive outreach is our greatest tool here in Germany. Many friendly and loving people in Germany make our mission somewhat easier! We feel so excited about reaching into the community and leading others to a wonderful life of living for the Lord. We are also excited to share a recent testimony of God blessing True Vine Apostolic Tabernacle: our church building is rented from a very sweet couple who has visited the church on occasion. They live far from Wiesbaden and so, are unable to come more often. We received a note from them regarding our utility bill for the year. They wanted to let us know that they took care of 600 euro (775 USD) of the bill, leaving the church with a bill of 30 euro (45 USD)! Thank you Jesus! Please join us in prayer as we continue the work of the Lord.

## **Jason de Leeuw – Matawe, Philippines** **(1 week STM in February 2012) photos 2 & 3**

What is "short term missions?" Is there really such a thing? How can one identify something as short-term when its purpose leaves eternal gems encrusted to one's crown? Although I spent ten "short" days in the Matawe, Philippines, among the Demogate people in the southern Luzon Province, I was blessed to be preaching, teaching and used for a brand-new church establishment. There is no feeling like knowing you have eternally assisted in the salvation of someone's soul!

Although most families here live in small one room lean-tos and scourge for drift wood to sell to local artists for a measly 2 CDN dollars per bundle, there are strong influences of heretical doctrines, television and Hollywood. Experiencing these people's simple lives was jarring, yet their hunger was evident as I watched several

receive the Holy Ghost just as promised "to all who are afar off."

Please pray that missionaries, present and future, with His message will effectively be able to share the hope for people like the Demogates. That God would continue to pour out the Holy Ghost in these areas and establish a local ministry. These people and these like areas are my future; it has given me purpose, and God has awakened me to the call.

## **Nathan White – Roatan, Honduras** **(1 week STM in June 2012) photos 4 & 5**

I went to Roatan for one week. While I was there, I did a lot of construction on the Hope Corps Training Center/Orphanage before the HC Intensive Training Week. I am thankful for the hand of God upon us as there was a planned robbery that was supposed to take place on Friday. Thank the Lord we met a good police officer who gave us his personal contact info and escorted us through the dangerous area. On Saturday we baptized 12 people in the precious name of Jesus and one received the Holy Ghost. On Sunday morning, I gave a devotion in La Colonia, and I also preached at their Sunday evening service with many first time visitors hungry for God. There is a definite need for God's protection and continued blessings upon the work in Roatan. In the future I would like return to Roatan or go to Liberia, Africa. I am excited about what God is doing as I continue to seek His Will and direction.

## **Samantha Felt – Roatan, Honduras** **(1 month STM in June to July 2012) photos 6 & 7**

La Colonia is not your average neighborhood; in fact it's a steep mountain full of families from the very bottom to the tiptop. People that live in this colony have to travel the treacherous and exhausting hill every day, whether it is to go to work, school, or church. Despite the climb and the very little these people have, they never complain and always wear a smile. On July 4, the Hope Corps students & instructors, ministers, saints, missionary Jones & Malone families, and myself were all able to be a part of the La Colonia ground breaking ceremony. This was such a neat experience, and I am so thankful that I had the opportunity to be a part. While the church is under construction, the people that live in the La Colonia area will be traveling to the city of Coxen Hole where Bro. Ponce's church and home are located.

While the Hope Corps students were in Roatan for Intensive Training Week (ITW) some pretty amazing things took place. One particularly incredible event involved "Brother Gilberto." Gilberto is a very tenacious middle-aged man living on the island of Roatan. He is not just your "average Joe," in fact it was known all over the island that if someone needs to "get rid of someone" they could go to Gilberto. Needless to say, the locals told missionary Bro. Jones that Gilberto would never be filled with the Holy Ghost or be baptized in Jesus Name. But God had a different plan! On Sunday during ITW, Gilberto came for service at La Roca de Roatan. That very night he was filled with the Holy Ghost, and just a few days later was baptized in the name of Jesus. When Gilberto came out of the water after being baptized, he was crying and spoke to a few of the Hope Corps students. He told them "I don't want to kill people anymore. I want to save them, like all you blue shirts." Wow, what a powerful experience that was! **[T]**