



## February 2010 Newsletter

As we move into 2010, I am so pleased, excited, and thankful for the progress we have made in just 10-months. Making the decision at the end of February of last year to join Father's Heart Projects (FHP) in a full-time capacity was definitely the right decision for me. I am using the skills God has given me to help build this ministry to Widows and Orphans in third world and developing nations. I truly feel blessed and honoured to be serving in this capacity.

It is also an honour to be recognized as a Centre Street Church Missionary. Recently, Pastor Henry Schorr sent me this "endorsement."

*"One of the great thrills of my life is seeing people of all ages step out of the bleachers and in faith carry out the assignment God gives them. John Naud has felt led to serve our Lord full-time as a missionary. After going through a period of interviews, careful screening and experiences, he has received the blessing of the Mission's ministry of our church. I, therefore, invite you to join us in praying for and investing financially in his support. I am confident that your involvement with us in John's life and ministry will result in many lives being impacted for eternity."*

If you were at CSC the weekend of January 30/31, 2010 you would have seen Henry play a video of our FHP Project in Kisumu, Kenya. It highlighted our school project and some of the children in our Child Sponsorship Project. It felt to me like I was the owner of Pepsi and I was watching my commercial play during the Super Bowl. It was a big surprise for us to see it being played. Great exposure for Father's Heart Projects.

During that service, Henry referred to me and FHP Founder Paul Miles as two people from the "Seriously Disturbed – Gloriously Ruined" Club. I like that term.

He's right! The thing "I can't stand" anymore is seeing the poor, through no fault of their own, struggling to survive, while I enjoy my "comfortable life" here in Calgary. You might recall Henry also saying in that service, *"Too many of us keep pulling the blinds closed and pretending they (the suffering and lost) don't exist."*

That practice stopped for me a number of years ago. I am doing something about this reality now, and as God provides and makes the way, I hope to dedicate my remaining years to "make a REAL difference" for the least of these.

### **Following are some Highlights from 2009:**

1. Accomplishing what I set out to do with the establishment of the FHP Website, set-up of the Power Church Operating System (keeping track of all our financials, including donations), and the Child Sponsorship Program.
2. Meeting our Budget requirements for the year.
3. We cared for 58 children in our Kisumu Child Sponsorship Program.
4. October saw the beginning of construction on a new, larger school on a new piece of property just outside Kisumu, where we plan to accommodate seven classrooms and over 150 students.
5. November 30 saw the completion of the first year of our FHP Primary School in Kisumu, Kenya. We had 60 students, and five teachers involved.
6. Also in November we began the process of establishing a **Monthly Widow's Sponsorship Program**, which will include a Micro-Finance strategy. We have eight Widows selected, and we are now advertising their availability for sponsorship on our website.

### **Main Ministry Goals for 2010:**

- We hope to begin development of a FHP initiative in The Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). We have an excellent contact there who would like us involved in his nation.
- We are looking at the establishment of both a Child & Widow Sponsorship Project in South Africa, working with CSC Missionaries, Dan & Kerry Wiens.
- To raise the necessary funds to complete the construction of our new school in Kisumu, Kenya.
- Raising enough Personal & Ministry support to see me working and serving full-time with FHP.

### **I invite you to join me in this mission**

My current reality is I need to increase my Monthly Support Team and I want to invite you to join me at a level that I truly believe "most" if not all who are reading this email, can probably handle. Please forgive me if I am being too presumptuous with that statement.

I think some people feel if they can't donate \$50, \$100 or more per month to a missionary, that it would be insulting to donate any less. As a result, they end up not partnering with them at all.

Let me put your mind at ease, if you think that way.

Like any missionary, I consider ANY gift a blessing. It doesn't matter how many "partners" it takes to enable us to serve full-time, we just want to be "able to serve full-time."

In fact, the reality is, the more people partnering with us, the more people we will have praying for us. That value can't be taken lightly. In our minds, 200 partners are really better for us than 20. Again, any size gift is a blessing.

### **Here's my opportunity for you**

March 1, 2010 marks the one-year anniversary of my commitment to dedicate the rest of my life to serving through and developing FHP. There are 10 - months left in 2010 from that point.

**I am inviting you to partner with me at only \$20 per month (1 Share) for 10 months, from March to December, 2010.** I call this the **20 X 10 in 2010 Campaign**. Your total donation to me in 2010 will be \$200. As a reminder, you will receive a tax receipt for your donations at the end of the year.

I am praying that by March 1<sup>st</sup> or shortly thereafter, I will receive Partnership commitments totalling 200 shares per month. If that happens, I can finally eliminate my "tent-making" job and focus 100% on FHP. What a blessing that will be!

Should you join me in this ministry, as a Ministry Partner, you will receive my **Newsletters**, and you will get to know more about what we are doing and trying to do through Father's Heart Projects. With this greater understanding, at the end of this year, you can decide if you want to continue on partnering with me into 2011. I am confident you will see the value in your investment in me, FHP, and the Orphans and Widows we are helping.

Friends, I know there are so many "opportunities" for you to bless people and ministries, and I am sure many of you are doing exactly that. God is pleased if you are.

All I ask is that you would prayerfully consider what I am trying to do, a mission I believe God is in agreement with, and see if there is a way to include me in your monthly giving strategy. I would be most grateful if you would at least pray about that.

### **Donation options**

If you want to partner with me in this **20 X 10 in 2010 Campaign**, and you want to use a Credit Card, you can facilitate that process through our website, [www.fathersheartprojects.org](http://www.fathersheartprojects.org).

If you prefer to have Automatic monthly withdrawals from your bank account, there is a form (PAD Agreement) on the Donations page of our website that you can print off, and mail to us.

At this time, I would sincerely like to thank you Church for considering me and my ministry. I hope and pray many of you will want to join me so that together, we can and will “look after widows and *orphans in their distress*” (James 1:27).

For “the least of these,”

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