



MICHEALS' MEMOIRS

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Special Prayer and Praise Points

- *For new mobilization work starting up in the Detroit area. Chuck is responsible for the oversight of this new work.*
- *Josh & Maria Mishler (and Ryan) had two good months of Partnership Development work in our area. They spoke at many churches and met many people. Pray that their financial support would grow to 100% so they can take up service with Wycliffe. They do have enough pledged to begin their management training program Wycliffe is offering this fall, but lack full support to take up an assignment.*



Barb's Surprise
50th Birthday Party

Celebrate With Us!

Over 350 People From Our Region Have Begun To Take The First Steps Of Membership With Wycliffe!

Since coming to do mobilization work at the Wycliffe Chicago office in the fall of 2000, we have seen 357 people from our region begin to take the first steps of applying to Wycliffe. In this issue of *Michaels' Memoirs* we want to highlight some of these people and report on their progress.



Chuck & Barb at Nzuzi's Graduation

Many months ago, we wrote about Nzuzi and Chantal Mukawa and their family. Nzuzi is a student at Trinity Evangelical Divinity Seminary (T.E.D.S.) in Deerfield, IL.

When we met Nzuzi he asked us why no one had gone to his Kiyaka language group to begin translation work. As a pastor in the Mennonite Church in the Democratic

Republic of the Congo (DRC) he wants his people to be able to read and study the Bible in their own language. He

Nzuzi just graduated with a PhD from T.E.D.S. and soon will be heading back to the DRC. Please pray that his desire to become involved in Bible translation work for his people remains strong once he returns back home.

While Nzuzi has been here in the States, we have made many attempts to find ways to assist him and get him the needed training. However, none of these attempts have produced viable options. Will you join us in praying that the Lord would provide a way for Nzuzi to be involved with this work once they head back to the DRC in early July?

also wants to use such a Bible to preach out of.

Since that initial visit three years ago, Nzuzi continues to express a strong interest in becoming part of the Bible translation team to help this become a reality for his people. On more than one occasion Nzuzi has told us that he believes this is the most important thing he can do for his people.

**CHECK OUT
OUR WEB SITE**

www.cbmicheals.com

People From Our Region Responding!



John

John came to Total It Up (TIU) in August 2003. He was an engineer from Ohio. He is now a Wycliffe member and is taking courses at our Graduate Institute Of Applied Linguistics (GIAL) in Dallas, TX and plans to do survey work with Wycliffe.



Sandra

Sandra just attended TIU in May 2004. She has just started the application process with Wycliffe. She plans to become a Bible translator. She plans to attend GIAL this fall. (www.gial.edu)



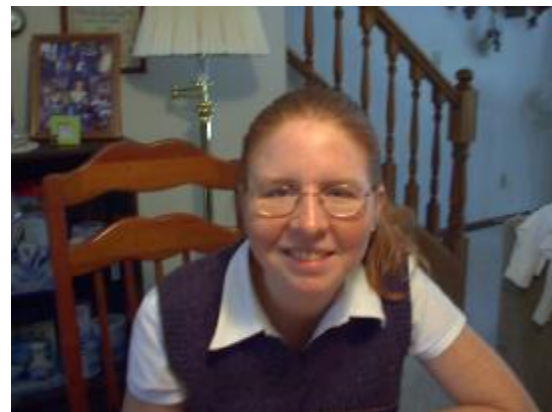
Megan

Megan attended our TIU in August 2002. After TIU she went on a one year survey with Wycliffe in Southeast Asia. She has returned for her senior year at Moody Bible Institute to continue studying linguistics.



Jessica

Jessica came to TIU in May 2003. She is a linguistics student at the University of Kentucky. She is currently on a six week mission trip with Wycliffe in Cameroon. She is looking into becoming a Bible translator.



Rachel

Rachel came to the August 2001 TIU and helped teach in the May 2002 TIU. She has just graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in linguistics and is now applying to Wycliffe. She is interested in becoming a Bible translator.

People From Our Region Responding!



Rachel

Rachel attended our TIU in August 2001. She applied to Wycliffe last year and attended GIAL in the fall of 2003. After finishing her college studies she plans on becoming a Bible translator.



Hauna

Hauna attended our March 2003 Trans Scan and our May 2003 TIU. She loves this work so much she is attending the SIL Oregon school and is considering becoming a Bible translator.



Jayne

Jayne came to our TIU in May 2003. She graduated from Goshen College and is now a Wycliffe member studying translation/literacy at our SIL school in Oregon (www.oregonsil.org) and



Greg & Jennifer

Greg attended our TIU in May 2002. His wife Jennifer didn't attend due to a new baby. Greg recently graduated from Westminster Theological Seminary. Greg and Jennifer applied to Wycliffe last month to serve as a Bible translation team.



Scott & Carrie

Scott attended our first TIU in May 2001. He applied to Wycliffe a month later and then married Carrie. After Scott's graduation from T.E.D.S. they studied linguistics at the SIL training school in Canada called CanIL (www.canil.ca) and are now serving as Bible



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New Mobilization Work And Prayer Needs

- We spent this spring working on our new web site. It is updated weekly and has our past newsletters, up-to-date *prayer* requests and a way to donate to our work online! Check us out at: www.cbmicheals.com.
- Starting this fall, the work of Chuck and Barb and the other mobilizers from our region will be taking on new responsibilities. Our region was asked by the Vice President's office to conduct a pilot program, whereby the mobilizer who recruits a new member would also be the same person who follows the recruit through the steps of application. In the past, the application work was handed over to staff in Orlando. Please *pray* for wisdom as we undergo this pilot project.
- In early spring 2005, Tom and Judy Coombs will be coming on board our mobilization team as Area Coordinators for the southeastern Michigan area. Tom and Judy are taking an extended furlough from their work in Peru to care for family needs here and will be living in the Detroit area. *Pray* for needed funds to start this new recruitment work and for good contacts with new recruits and churches.

Jenny Returned to the USA from South Africa - June 9, 2004 Isaac Returned to the USA from Haiti - June 17, 2004

Jenny returned from five months in South Africa after attending a semester of studies at the Bible Institute of South Africa. As part of her internship there, she had many opportunities to teach young children about the Bible and the plan of salvation. *Pray* that the seeds sown will be watered and that God will give an increase. Many of these children come from broken homes.

Jenny will return to the Reformed Bible College this fall to complete her senior year. *Pray* for wisdom for her as to what she should do after graduation. She is thinking of going back to work in South Africa after graduation.

Isaac returned from his two years of teaching at Quisqueya Christian School in Port-Au-Prince, Haiti. Despite the evacuation in March, due to civil unrest, he was able to return and complete the school year.

He especially enjoyed the 11th grade class and will miss being there. However, his plans are to teach in the USA for a while. Please *pray* for a teaching job this fall and for rest from a very difficult two year field term. A lack of power and basic services, criminal activity and the evacuation have made working in Haiti a challenge. *Praise* the Lord for good financial support his entire time in Haiti!



Jenny at the Bible Institute of South Af-



Isaac's Homeroom Students