



# Prayer Update

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## HURRICANE IKE LEAVES DAMAGE



Office Area and Storeroom after Ike

On Saturday, September 13, at 2:10 a.m., Hurricane Ike roared ashore along the Gulf Coast. The Hisportic Christian Mission office is located in Friendswood, TX, which is about 30 miles inland from Galveston Island.

About 4:00 a.m. one of the air conditioning units that sat on the roof of the office building housing the HCM office came loose and rolled up the tar paper. Water came through the hole and filled the ceiling, causing the acoustical tiles to come down in all of the offices on the second floor, where HCM is located. The water also went through the floor and took out the first floor ceilings.

Naomi and Carl Bookout took the computers when they evacuated before the storm and returned on Monday to view the devastation. Most of the office furniture, the copier, one monitor, the surge protectors, and a number of books on the shelves were destroyed.

While the office building is being reconstructed, the HCM office has been moved to Carl and Naomi's house. Men from Bay Area Christian Church, where Naomi is on staff, moved boxes of books and salvageable mission supplies.

Continue to send mail to 4815 FM 2351 Road—Suite 207, Friendswood, TX 77546. The telephone numbers will remain the same: Office---281-482-3800 and FAX---281-482-3802.

## PASTORS IN TRAINING

This fall several of the HCM pastors are attending classes to improve their ability to minister.



Luciano and Andreia Rodrigues spent the summer learning English at YWAM in Richmond, VA, and have now moved to Florrisant, MO, to attend St. Louis Christian College. They are seeking to obtain degrees so they can have a greater ministry when they return to Guinea Bissau in 2011. Luciano wants to better train the pastors, and Andreia wants to help educate children in this country where most of the people are illiterate.



José and Fátima Fernandes are also at St. Louis Christian College. José is attending classes while they await the approval of their visas to immigrate to Canada to begin the church in Toronto.

Sérgio and Márcia Santos, who will begin a new church in Atlanta in January, are now at YWAM in Richmond studying English. This will prepare them to not only work with the Brazilians in north Atlanta but also to cooperate with English-speaking pastors in the city.



Filipe DaSilva, the son of Ariosvaldo and Amine DaSilva who pastor to the Moriah Christian Church, Nashua, NH, is finishing his studies at Dallas Christian College, preparing for ministry.



These times of study are very important for these workers. Their preparation is vital for the future ministry of HCM.

## Upcoming Conventions and Meetings

### MOVING MOUNTAINS

NOV. 14-16TH / HERSHEY, PA

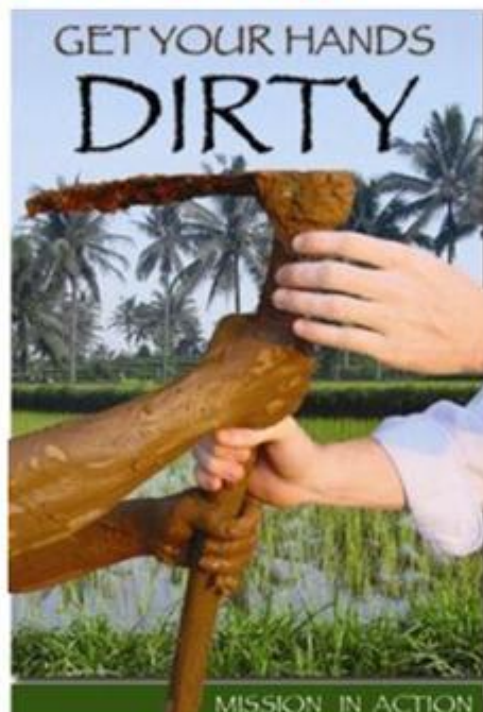


EASTERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION 2008

### 2008 Board of Directors Annual Meeting

November 6-8, 2008  
Tomoka Christian Church  
Ormand Beach, FL

HCM Annual Meeting will be held Saturday,  
November 8, 9:00 a.m.



### National Missionary Convention

November 20-23  
Tulsa Convention Center  
Tulsa, OK  
Booth 808



### Wedding Congratulations

Congratulations go to Nathan Long and Kristy Putnam who were married on Saturday, September 20, 2008, in Camarillo, CA. Nathan is the son of Wayne and Gail Long. Wayne is the founding Executive Director of the Hisportic Christian Mission.

### New Church Begins

The Rising Sun Christian Church began on September 14, 2008, in Somerset, MA, with three families. Pastor Victor Alves and his wife, Ana, are planting this new work.

### Prayer Needs

- Julio Dias, Pastor of the Missionary Christian Church, Rockville, MD, health concerns
- Luciano and Andréia Rodrigues, that God will provide funding for their studies at St. Louis Christian College (Praise: Luciano passed his English proficiency exam and will preach his first sermon in English on October 19)
- For finances to be raised and partnerships developed for the new HCM Projects in Atlanta, GA; Toronto, Ontario, Canada; and Miami, FL (Each church needs \$75,000 per year.)
- For finances to be raised to help our existing churches (Rental costs and other expenses continue to escalate.)
- Wayne and Gail Long, for God's will concerning future ministry
- For the continued outreach of the HCM churches
- José and Fátima Fernandes, visa approvals for immigration to Canada

### E-mail Information

In order to communicate faster with those who support the ministry of Hisportic Christian Mission and also to save money from postage expenses, we would like to send this newsletter and other correspondence by e-mail to as many as possible.

If you would be willing to participate, please send your e-mail address to us, either by mail to the Mission office address or by e-mail to [cbookout@hcm.org](mailto:cbookout@hcm.org).

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