



Media Musings

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We are excited to bring you the next newsletter of the AIM Retirement Center, "Media". The reason for the newsletter is to keep you informed on what is happening at Media as well as give information about the missionaries who live here. The 80+ residents and staff represent more than 2,200 years of ministry. We hope this newsletter will help you get to know some of them and what they do at Media. You can also find this letter at www.retirementcenter.aimsites.org The Editors



WHAT DO WE DO HERE?

On a little island off the main island of Madagascar an AIM TIMO team has been living and building relationships for a year now in order to gain an entrance into the hearts of the Antakarana people who live there. It is a challenging and tough place to live. At Media we have the privilege of being part of this team by praying. This is what we do here. So when a note came from Steve Orner (who's grandmother lives here) about a special event, we praised God and share it in our latest news.

"On Tuesday, March 15, I went to Team Day. walked the kilometer or so there with the family and then back again at 5:00 pm at the end of the day. Then at 7:00 pm, after dinner and getting the kids down, I went and ate again with a friend in the village before we all walked 6 kilometers south to another village for a 40 day funeral. I watched and learned and the men sang the night away in Arabic. At 4:00 am we walked back home as the sun was rising. On the way back I had an awesome conversation with my friend about God and the Holy spirit and how we each relate to and hear from God. He also shared his thoughts and was glad to have another man to talk with about God. Pray for my friend Joby who is seeking God. This is missions. Totally unexpected. You always have to be ready."



Yes, this is what we do here at Media and praise God for what He does through these young servants who do what they do for Him where He has sent them.



THANKSGIVING

CHRISTMAS



Pies, pies
and more
pies!!



PROGRESSIVE DINNER
OPERATIVE WORD IS
“FELLOWSHIP”



Theme : God’s Work Around the World



AFTERNOON TEA TIME
Provided by the Methodist
Church Ladies



**Bob and Mary
Ehmann**

**MEET SOME OF THE
MISSIONARIES**



Bob and Mary Ehmann arrived at Media as the result of their friendship with Mary Modricker for many years and her suggestion that they retire at Media. They graduated with her from Prairie Bible Institute in Three Hills, Alberta in 1965. Bob was born in Denver, CO but when he was 3 his parents moved to Canada where Bob completed his education from grade 1 through Bible School. Mary was born in Seattle and her parents moved to Concrete, WA where her dad worked for a power company. In April, 1965 they graduated from Prairie, got married July 5 and joined Gospel Missionary Union in the fall.

God gave them over 30 years of service in Mali, West Africa, in various ministries with the focus of discipling Malians to reach their own people. In a country that was 99% Muslim God raised up key Malian Christian leaders who fearlessly shared their faith. It was a privilege for Bob and Mary to see a steady and healthy growth which continues to the present.

In 1999 the mission asked Bob and Mary to move to Malaga, Spain where they gave leadership to the Malaga Media Center and later to all Avant's Europe missionaries. Once again their focus was on empowering nationals to reach their own people. Today that ministry continues to make an impact into North Africa and Europe where churches, many of them underground, are growing and multiplying.

Upon retirement in 2009 the mission asked them to help at Echo Ranch Bible Camp in Juneau, Alaska. Since then, every summer they head north for a few months. Mentoring, building relationships, and taking care of camp business which opens doors to serve.

They are so thankful to be part of the Media family and to be able to serve during the winter months in various capacities as long as God continues to give good health.

**WELCOME NEW
RESIDENTS
TIM AND PATTI FADER**

GRADUATED TO HEAVEN

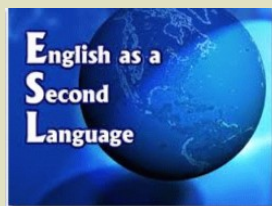
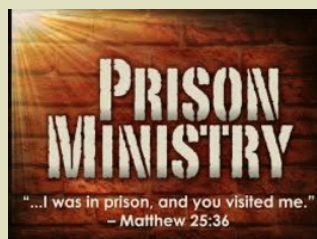


Betty Pontier, Jo Downey
and Jonathan Hildebrandt



WHAT ELSE DO WE DO HERE?

We have fun and stay healthy by swimming and exercise and laughing a lot; we enjoy hosting guests and family reunions celebrating birthdays, gardening and photography - and we are involved in ministry outside of Media.



THIS AND THAT...



Scott & Suzy Hampton will be moving here in the summer in preparation for becoming the next Media Superintendent when Bob Richards retires.

Real Life Academy kids worked hard for us.



Thanks to Gloria & Debbie and the Scott Manor staff for the many extra hours taking care of us due to recent increase in illnesses and emergencies.