



Tickets Bought, Ready to Fly

In the past few months, the majority of our one time start-up funds came in. This is thanks to several churches and individuals. This means that we have entered our departure stage. We have bought tickets for departure on June 8, 2009. April Houk, one of our team members, is also ready and will join us in Verona a couple weeks after we arrive.

I have been staying up late in order to call different real estate agencies in Verona, and there is one in particular that has been very helpful. We had actually found this real estate office on one of our survey trips. After searching and praying for the location that God had set aside for our apartment, we think we have one! We went through the pre-contract stage, offering a lower price than the landlord requested. The landlord met us halfway, between what we offered and what he had requested. We had assumed that naturally our personal outreach would be more potent around our apartment and neighborhood. It seems natural that we could launch our ministry in this location, once the majority of our team is finished with language school and culture study. But we will continue praying about that for the time being.

The real estate agents have been very helpful. In fact, by offering things that normal real estate agencies don't, such as turning on our electric, gas, phone and internet before we arrive! This is great, since in the past we have waited three weeks for certain utilities to be turned on in the past. I will continue working to find an apartment for April.

Since, I am spending a great deal of time working with this real estate agency, I have learned their names and Angie and I are looking forward to taking them to dinner as a thank you, and a way to get to know them better. Please pray for these potential relationships, their names are: Elio, Roberta and Giulia.

In the past few weeks we have been doing final presentations with churches, preparing details for departure and renewing our passports (which don't actually expire until Feb 2010, but need to be valid for 3 months longer than the year long visa that we are requesting). This week, we flew to Houston in order to turn in applications at the Italian Consulate for new visas since, ours was out of date, because of having to be in the states for so long. They told us the visas would be ready in 7-10 days. Please pray for they will, because we need them to enter into the country of Italy.

Would you pray that the remaining 7% of our monthly funds would be committed? Pray for our final preparation. We are thankful for the part you play in this ministry. Thank you for your prayer and support.

In Christ, Matt & Angie

Support Update

Below is our current support figures...

We have..

...\$28,110 out of \$28,521 towards our one time needs;
this leaves a need of \$411.

...\$6,450 out of \$6,976 in monthly commitments;
this leaves \$526 in monthly commitments needed.



From Int'l Services

A Note from Team Expansion's President:



Doug Lucas

Dear Fellow Helper,

In these days of economic fluctuations, we are thankful for your faithful and, in many cases, sacrificial help for the work of your favorite Team Expansion personnel around the world. Odds are, your favorite Team Expansion worker has wondered how certain the future is. Because of your gifts of prayer, hope, and financial help, you have enabled him or her to soldier on in ministry. And in spite of the challenges we all fact, I'm excited about the future. The "Leadership Task Force" (Team Expansion's 'board of directors') just met last weekend for their annual retreat. They patiently reviewed the work of every single Team Expansion worker. There are so many dedicated people at work under the Team Expansion banner... and you are helping make that work possible. Thank you!

Doug Lucas
President, Team Expansion

Prayer Highlights

Current Prayer Highlights:

Answered Prayer -

- ~ Monthly commitments is 93%.
- ~ Receipt of more one time start-up funds.
- ~ Departing phase is going smoothly.

Verona Team Prayer -

- ~ Team members; the Blackburn family, the Eatons and Brandi Davis, as they prepare and support raise for the Verona work.
- ~ April Houk, as she follows us to Verona.
- ~ Pray for April's apartment finding process.
- ~ Pray for our team to grow in relationships and unity.

Prayers for Italians -

- ~ People we've met in Verona: Lucia, Pasquale, Giovanni, Ellie and Felice.
- ~ Pray for the people of Verona to desire to know Christ.
- ~ Pray for the real estate workers we have been speaking with on the phone (Elio, Roberta & Giulia).

Prayers for Us -

- ~ Presentations and Visits with supporters.
- ~ Pray for 100% in monthly financial commitments.
- ~ Our new visas to be finished quickly.
- ~ Pray for our apartment in Verona to be finalized.
- ~ Pray for our final preparations before departing.

Ancona Team Prayer -

- ~ Pray for the team to grow spritually
- ~ Pray for the church to grow

Ask about our bi-monthly prayer update list.



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Our Support Team

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John & Judy Webb
Team Pastors

Jimmy Foreman
Representative Elder

Jayson & Janice French
Representative Elder

Our Team

Matt & Angie Crosser
April Houk
John & Ann Blackburn
Brandon & Savannah Eaton
Brandi Davis

Our Mission

Our team exists to plant a church in Verona, Italy that glorifies God

Our Roles

Matt's main roles...
Team Leader
Graphics & Design
Video & Web Editing
Curriculum Design
Computer Tech
Short Term Groups
Building Relationships
Administration

Angie's main roles...
Homemaker
Team Member
Preschool Ministry
Children's English
Adult English
Building Relationships
Administration
Hospitality

Forwarding Address

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Please send all support to the address above with checks made out to: Team Expansion

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Angie's cell 918-851-7944
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Photos



Matt preaching at Sandusky Avenue Christian Church.



Angie giving a children's presentation at Sandusky Avenue Christian Church

Our Timeline



In the United States - for departure stage (present)



In Verona (June 8, 2009*)

* Our departure date depends on visas being approved.

Taking Christ To Italy: Go Verona

Taking Christ To Italy is a PACE project launched by Team Expansion & Shively Christian Church

Finances

Team Expansion: Matt and Angie Crosser Monthly Expense Recap For January 2009

TOTAL	
Benefits	
100 · Salary	2,642.97
111 · Special Med. Exp.	99.75
150 · Housing Allow.	489.41
160 · Utilities	288.58
180 · Contributions	52.00
Total Benefits	3,572.71
Education	
200 · Books/Periodical	328.22
Total Education	328.22
Christian Education	
320 · Hospitality	632.10
Total Christian Ed.	632.10
Evangelism	
410 · AudioVisual	7.49
420 · Hospitality	69.92
Total Evangelism	77.41
Office	
600 · Supp. In Field	222.74
650 · Supp. in States	58.00
660 · Mission Phone	112.06
661 · E-Mail	67.05
Total Office	459.85
Promotion/Representation	
700 · For More Support	72.05
730 · Reporting to Supporters	82.02
740 · Home Office	100.00
Total Promo/Rep.	254.07
Travel	
800 · Car/Transport.	287.26
806 · Vehicle Maint.	45.80
810 · Meals W/Trav.	29.58
Total Travel	362.64
Miscellaneous	
900 · Unspecified Equip	279.45
Total Misc.	279.45
TOTAL	5,966.45

Monthly Expense Recap For February 2009

TOTAL	
Benefits	
100 · Salary	1,596.45
110 · Medical Ins.	463.00
111 · Special Med.Exp.	185.34
150 · Housing Allow.	555.95
160 · Utilities	160.34
180 · Contributions	52.00
Total Benefits	3,013.08
Education	
200 · Books/Periodical	237.14
Total Education	237.14
Christian Education	
320 · Hospitality	234.02
Total Christian Ed.	234.02
Evangelism	
400 · Printed Material	29.95
Total Evangelism	29.95
Office	
600 · Supp. In Field	379.60
650 · Supp. in States	500.82
661 · E-Mail	214.18
Total Office	1,094.60
Promotion/Representation	
700 · For More Support	36.72
730 · Reporting to Supporters	286.84
740 · Home Office	100.00
Total Promo/Rep.	423.56
Travel	
800 · Car/Transport.	375.99
810 · Meals W/Trav.	110.69
Total Travel	486.68
Miscellaneous	
900 · Unspecified Equip	298.08
930 · Mission House	122.10
Total Miscellaneous	420.18
TOTAL	5,939.21

Monthly Expense Recap For March 2009

TOTAL	
Benefits	
100 · Salary	3,193.86
110 · Med. Insur.	554.40

111 · Special Med Exp.	91.95
150 · Housing Allow.	934.75
160 · Utilities	134.64
180 · Contributions	52.00
Total Benefits	4,961.60

Education	
200 · Books/Periodical	257.27
220 · Conferences/Class	50.24
230 · Team Building	52.33
Total Education	359.84

Christian Education	
320 · Hospitality	184.65
Total Christian Ed.	184.65

Postage	
550 · In the States	1.68
Total Postage	1.68

Office	
600 · Supp. In Field	202.70
650 · Supp. in States	140.67
660 · Mission Phone	169.50
661 · E-Mail	56.72
Total Office	569.59

Promotion/Representation	
700 · For More Support	46.67
730 · Reporting to Supporters	36.71
740 · Home Office	100.00
Total Promo/Rep.	183.38

Travel	
800 · Car/Transport .	487.95
810 · Meals W/Trav.	34.07
830 · Housing W/Trav.	61.81
860 · Air Fare	1,313.48
Total Travel	1,897.31

Miscellaneous	
900 · Unspecified Equip	138.30
920 · Banking Fees	2.00
Total Miscellaneous	140.30

TOTAL	8,298.35
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Current Financial Need

We currently have monthly commitments of \$6,450 raised out of a total need of \$6,976. All we ask is that you prayerfully consider what God might want you to give. Let us know if you want to commit towards this needed amount.

This 2009 budget is based on an dollar/euro exchange rate of 1.47%.

Ways You Can Help

There are a few ways that you can partner with our ministry.

1) We need monthly supporters. You could commit an amount to send each month towards our ministry.

2) We need prayer partners to commit to pray for ourselves, our team and the people of Verona on a regular basis. If you would like to commit to being a prayer partner, let us know.

3) We are thankful for special offerings. Whether your gift is from your VBS, camp, Sunday School or yourself, it is always appreciated. We have unexpected things happen and your special gifts help weather the storms the enemy throws at us as well as prepare for the new city.

4) We need teams to come over and assist in our work. It may take us a few months to get settled in Verona next year. Then, once we are settled we look forward to having mission team come over and help. Ask for information.

Finances (continued)



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Monthly Receipts Recap January 2009

Donors	Amount
Individuals (11)	\$900.00
Churches (10)	\$7,270.00
Edmond CC (\$800.00)	
First CC -Kenosha (\$2,000.00)	
First CC - Sapulpa (\$500.00)	
Highland Park CC (\$1,110.00)	
Metro Faith CC (\$200.00)	
Osage Hills CC (\$510.00)	
Sandusky Ave CC (\$150.00)	
Shively CC (\$750.00)	
Southeast CC (\$400.00)	
Sunnybrook CC (\$850.00)	
JAN Receipts TOTAL	\$8,170.00

Monthly Receipts Recap February 2009

Donors	Amount
Individuals (10)	\$831.00
Churches (9)	\$6,642.50
Cedar Ridge CC (\$1,572.50)	
Edmond CC (\$800.00)	
First CC - Sapulpa (\$200.00)	
Highland Park CC (\$1,660.00)	
Osage Hills CC (\$410.00)	
Sandusky Ave CC (\$150.00)	
Shively CC (\$750.00)	
Sunnybrook CC (\$850.00)	
Woodland CC* (\$250.00)	
* formerly Metro Faith CC	
FEB Receipts TOTAL	\$7,473.50

Monthly Receipts Recap March 2009

Donors	Amount
Individuals (14)	\$1,790.00
Churches (9)	\$9,830.00
Edmond CC (\$800.00)	
First CC -Kenosha (\$1,500.00)	
First CC - Owasso (\$4,000.00)	
Highland Park CC (\$1,110.00)	
Osage Hills CC (\$470.00)	
Sandusky Ave CC (\$150.00)	
Shively CC (\$750.00)	
Sunnybrook CC (\$850.00)	
Woodland CC* (\$200.00)	
MAR Receipts TOTAL	\$11,620.00

JANUARY LEDGER

Dec Balance	\$ 8,372.13
Jan Receipts	+\$8,170.00
Jan Sub-Total	\$ 16,542.13
Jan Expenses	\$ 5,966.45
Jan Balance	\$ 10,575.68

FEBRUARY LEDGER

Jan Balance	\$ 10,575.68
Feb Receipts	+\$7,473.50
Feb Sub-Total	\$ 18,049.18
Feb Expenses	\$ 5,939.21
Feb Balance	\$ 12,109.97

MARCH LEDGER

Feb Balance	\$ 12,109.97
Mar Receipts	+\$11,620.00
Mar Sub-Total	\$ 23,729.97
Mar Expenses	\$ 8,298.35
Mar Balance	\$ 15,431.62

Thanks for your contributions
 through financial giving and
 prayers!