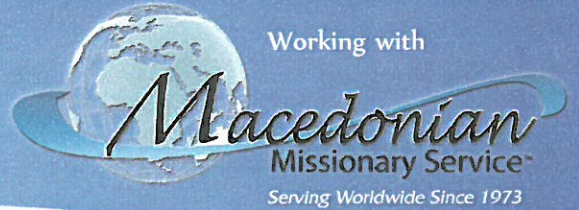




# MacTrips Director Gary Weidenbach



September 2016



Greetings from California,

Hard to believe that school is back in session, where did the summer go?

As mentioned in my last news letter a team was headed to Ukraine. Due to some medical concerns I was unable to travel with the team, so I lived vicariously through their adventure as they were on the field. The team even skyped me at one point. The purpose of the trip was to help Damien and Melanie Austin with Church Camp, not that they need it, as they run a very good camp. But I know the help is greatly appreciated.

The camp was from July 4th - 9th. There were 39 campers from 7 villages, 6 Ukrainian helpers and 7 from the US. During the week there were all kinds of great camp activities, such as games, bible studies, small group gatherings, silly hair day, game day, "Fashions of the Future" day, team dramas and even field trips. After Camp the team spent several days visiting the county seeing some of the local sights. Please continue to pray for the ministry in Ukraine, as the Austin's are doing an amazing work with the people.

On June 28th of this year, my wife, Pamela was diagnosed with breast cancer. She had surgery to remove the cancer on August 5th. We knew from the first visit radiation was going to be a part of the treatment. So we figured, cancer free, radiation, and call it good. In our visit with the Oncologist on August 15th, we found out different. Pam has what is known as Triple-Positive Invasive Ductile Carcinoma. Treatment will now consist of Chemo and Herceptin with Radiation to follow. The chemo treatments will last through December with the Herceptin to continue for an additional six months, followed by six weeks of radiation.

Due to the many doctor's appointments and upcoming treatments I was unable to go on the Ukraine trip and have canceled my September trip to Africa with Bro. Fernandez. Pam's prognosis is good, but because of this situation my upcoming travel schedule will be modified so that I may be here, helping Pam during this time. Please pray for us as we look to the Lord for guidance throughout the recovery process.

Planning for 2017 is underway, working on upcoming adventures. As soon as I have more information I will pass it along to you. I do send out trip announcements via the MAC-Trips email list. If you would like to be a part of this email list feel free to email me and ask to be added. Until next time, God Bless. Hope to see you on the field...

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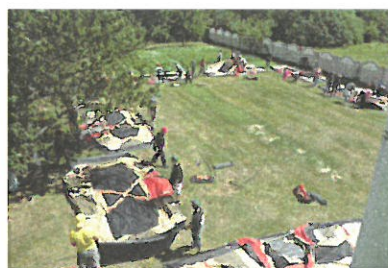
Travel Schedule  
August 30-September 15th-  
Kenya, Africa

October 7th- Florida  
Banquet

Future trips:  
Cuba  
Romania  
Honduras



Field Trip



Tent City



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