

Heater Headlines June 2023

Since our update in April, we were in Jamaica for the May J-Team, in the US for 3 weeks and in Jamaica for 2 weeks so far. Here's what's happening:

May J-Team (May 5-14)—This J-Team was 12 members strong. It was a wonderful team and as you check out the pictures on Facebook, you will see it was a great week. The 3 first timers fit right in, and the team worked so well together. There were at least 14 Jamaican ministry partners that worked alongside the J-Team and that also made it a strong team. The builders built a house for Aston on Marrakech Drive. They enjoyed coming back to TEAMS house for lunch and we all loved the short trip for the house dedication. I love that I can see it as I drive out of TEAMS house and rejoice that Aston is enjoying his new home. The medical team saw 545 patients and gave out 1860 prescriptions. The statistics only tell a part of the story. Patients were encouraged by receiving great medical care, spiritual encouragement and by seeing some of our faithful J-Teamers again after 4 years. Walter wore several hats this time as encourager, provider, nurse and passing out meds among other things. We were thankful he was so versatile. Our dear friend and encourager, Linda Robinson, was back in the clinics on Friday to pray and fellowship!

In the evenings, some participated in basketball and with the TEAMS Faith Academy. Alan had prepared object lessons to share the gospel with the children. He was able to present them to the kids at TFA, basketball, Boscobel and Ramble Primary schools. Linda and Jackie enjoyed giving devotions to 10 schools with help from Alan, the builders and Nick and Kezia.

Salem Youth Mission Team (June 17-23) Nine brave team members came from Salem Bible Church in Macungie, PA ready to do whatever to help our ministry to the community. This involved packing and distributing our monthly food packets, priming the back wall of the property and seating in the amphitheater, building and repairing benches outside the basketball court, leading devotions and crafts at 3 basic schools, teaching the lesson for the TFA Transformers (9-11 yr olds), delivering soup to people on the streets of Port Maria, visiting with elderly in our community and this was just during the days. They spent four evenings with the TFA Trendsetters and young people involved with the basketball ministry playing games, building relationships and sharing their testimonies and spiritual encouragement. On the other evening, some attended Nickalous' BTCJ10 class in Ocho Rios while the others prepped for the next day's ministry. It was a busy, stretching week for all of us but it was such a great week. The young people had fun together and there was so much laughter all week long. We look forward to your return in 2024.

Summer Schedule:

6/12 Arrive in Jamaica 7/24-31 Bethel BFC Youth Mission Team 6/17-23 Salem Bible Youth Mission Team 8/4 Advance Team 7/3 Trial begins in Kingston for Andre Thomas 8/5-13 August J-Team 7/17-23 Megan, her 4 girls and Mark in Jamaica 8/17 Back to Pennsylvania

Praise the Lord with us:

- We received special gifts this past month, new supporters and some increase in monthly support for which we are very thankful. If all continues as planned, the Heaters will be fully supported this year. Praise the Lord.
- Nickalous and Kezia were married April 29th. It was a wonderful day of celebration as everyone was excited to participate in the festivities and give their support and well wishes. They are living in the caretaker house while they are on the north shore for TEAMS Faith Academy.
- On June 10th in SC, the Heater ladies came together for a baby shower for Kate Heater and Michelle Seeds over zoom and in person! It was fun to be together.
- The August 2023 J-Team is full. We are thankful for Candy and Lata coming to help Susie in the pharmacy.
- A Kirby Lester (pill counting machine) has been donated to TEAMS for Medical Missions from Capsa Healthcare at the request of one of our first-time pharmacists.
 We are very appreciative of her initiative in making this request on our behalf.

Prayer Requests:

- In this very full season, please pray for John and me that we will have wisdom, good health, stamina and clear direction.
- Pray for Teri Nichols, Sara Hentzel and us as we return to Kingston for the trial. Our prayer is that he would plead guilty and avoid a trial. If the trial does happen,
 please pray for those who will need to testify (Teri and John) as it is out of their comfort zone. Please pray for all of us as we walk through this together and for the
 Lord's name to be glorified.
- Pray for the Kauffmans, the Walshs, Yvette, Mitsy, Avery, Omar, Perkie, Roshane, Patrick, Maxia, Sharon, Caresia and Ipreeme who serve with us this summer that they may exercise their spiritual gifts and abilities fully, for unity and for their own spiritual growth in the Lord.
- Pray for Nickalous Walsh and the BTC leadership team. They will be renovating the BTC office starting next week (it was infested with termites and in disrepair). Pray for BTCJ10 in Ocho Rios and for BTCJ11 that has begun in Highgate. Pray for additional graduates to join the leadership team and to help share the load.
- Pray that the Gospel would be clearly given in these weeks of ministry and that the ministry would be fruitful.
- Pray for the youth teams: for safety, for eyes to see how God is at work and how He can use them personally, for boldness to share the Gospel and their testimonies, for the relationships that are formed, for them to be stretched, and that they will be an encouragement and an example to their churches.
- We praise the Lord for a full team in August. The November J-Team is in need of a provider, a pharmacist, clinic clerk, encourager and builder.
- Pray for the financial needs of T4MM. There are needs in most of the accounts.

What is your most pressing need right now?

- 1. The August team will be building 2 homes. We need \$14,000 for the construction part of the August J-Team
- 2. The TEAMS Faith Academy is going very well. Monthly, quarterly, annual or one-time supporters for Nickalous and Kezia Walsh are needed as well as the Neighborhood ministry fund which provides materials and supplies for TFA, Basketball ministry and all other community ministries.

It is an exciting time for TEAMS for Medical Missions. The Lord has placed us here and is expanding our opportunities to minister for which we are very grateful. It is with the support, prayer and partnership of so many that we can serve. Thank you for being a part of our team!

Keep lookin' up,

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