

**Missionary Update ... Tim & Mary Sue Austin *servicing in Senegal***



It has been a busy summer here at Dakar Academy, Senegal. Mary Sue has been filling in as housing coordinator with 18 apartments to set-up for new staff and staff who are moving. That is quite a big job!

I also have been setting up my new office as our school curriculum library and textbook depository.

This involved building lots of bookshelves and gathering all of our texts, resources and workbooks from each classroom.

At the beginning of July we were able to attend a conference for all the Converge missionaries who serve in Africa, Europe and the Mediterranean. It was the first ever conference of this type and we enjoyed hearing from one another about what God is doing in our different ministry areas.

The tail-end of summer has had an interesting twist. Mercy Ships is a medical ministry that brings floating hospitals to various parts of the world to meet medical needs and share the Gospel. One of their ships will be docked in Dakar for nine months.

On board this ship they also have an academy for the 50 students whose parents work there. Their school is an ACSI/sister school to us and I hope to collaborate with them in ways that will benefit both schools.

We will be operating on two separate campuses this year. We opened a West Dakar Academy to meet the needs of families that live on the far side of the city.

**Prayer Requests:**

1. For the new school year and school staff.
2. For Tim as curriculum coordinator and many other jobs.
3. For the construction of the new West Dakar Academy; to be ready when school starts.

	<b>July 2019</b>	
	<b>Offerings</b>	<b>Expenses</b>
General Fund YTD	\$190,428	\$174,500
Missions Fund YTD	\$24,648	\$25,370

**The ABC's of Becoming a Christian**

**A — Admit** to God that you are a sinner. Repent, turning away from your sin.

“For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God.” Romans 3:23

**B — Believe** that Jesus is God’s Son and accept God’s gift of forgiveness from sin.

“While we were sinners, Christ died for us.” Romans 5:8

**C — Confess** your faith in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord.

“If you will confess with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.” Romans 10:9

**Prayer:** Dear God, I am sorry for my sins. I believe Jesus died on the cross for my sins. Please forgive me. I ask Jesus to come into my life to be my Savior and Lord. Thank you for loving me and saving me from my sins. In Jesus name, Amen.



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**Welcome to Worship!**—We're so glad you have joined us this morning. If you are a guest today, please fill out a Covenant Connect card and place it in the offering. **Children's Church** (10:30am service) is for 3-year olds—2nd grade. The children gather in the Cubbies Room downstairs after the announcements are given.

 **Awana Training & Sign-ups** — Back to school time is quickly approaching which means Awana Clubs will also be starting up soon. There will be leader training on Wednesday, September 4. Supper will be served at 5:30; training will begin at 6pm. Please let Melissa Holt know at 417.0370 if you can attend.

 **Fall Women's Retreat at Bluewater** — Holly Hovestol will be sharing on the topic of 'Image Bearers'. Come and enjoy the lake, 2 night cabin stay, home-cooked meals, worship, messages and relaxation. September 20-22; cost is \$85.

**Kids Club** — Join us for Kids Club at the South Falls Apartments on Wednesdays, 3:00-4:30pm at the playground. All families are welcome to participate; this is our VBS this summer. Please call Lynn Peterson at 324.0508 with any questions.

**Divorce Care** — will begin on Thursday, September 12 at 6:30pm in Room 200.

**Prayer Meeting** — Mondays at 6:30pm in the Sparky Room.

**Celebrate Recovery** — Tuesdays at 7pm in Room 200.

**Trailblazer B Campers** — Arrive at church at 10:45am with a bag lunch on Monday, August 12; returning Thursday around 2:30pm.

**Office Hours** — August 13-16; Tuesday-Friday; 8am-12pm.

### Community Opportunities...

**Community Café** — Tuesday, August 27, at 5pm.

**Clothes Closet** — will be open on Wednesday, August 21 for drop-off and Thursday, August 22 for shopping; 9am-1pm; Everything is free and everyone is welcome. (810 5th Street)  
Also, if you are traveling out of town and can transport donations to another center, please contact Betty Williams at 807.861.3765.

## Spiritually Dry

Psalm 42

1. Pay attention to \_\_\_\_\_.

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As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?

Psalm 42:1-2

Everyone who drinks this [well] water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.

John 4:13-14

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I know your deeds, and your hard work and your perseverance. --- Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken your first love. Remember the height from which you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first.

Revelation 2:2, 4-5

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For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.

Psalm 32:4

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Why are you talking about having no bread? Do you still not see or understand? Are your hearts hardened? Do you have eyes but fail to see, and ears but fail to hear?

Mark 8:17, 18

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Psalm 42: 5-7, 9

2. Pursue the \_\_\_\_\_.

These things I remember as I pour out my soul: How I used to go with the multitude, leading the procession to the house of God, with shouts of joy and thanksgiving among the festive throng.

Psalm 42:4

Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.

Psalm 42:5

Put your hope in God.

Psalm 42:11

For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

Romans 15:4

Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat.

Isaiah 55:1

If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him.

John 7:37, 38

The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come!' And let him who hears say, 'Come!' Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life.

Revelation 22:17