

We Need You!

What? A team from First Free will be traveling to the Dominican Republic to work with Kids Alive in the town of Constanza. Kids Alive has a mission to rescue children in crisis who have no other means of support. The children are placed in houses as a family unit with indigenous Christian house parents. The vision is that, as adults, they will have the education they need to bring the gospel to adults in their community. Our team will mainly be doing construction projects but will also have time to interact with the children.

When? May 23 - 31, 2009

Who? John Symington (team leader), Karen Beckett, Matt Beckett, Scott Beckett, Kelli Benner, Julie Danielson, Wayne Danielson, Bob Goodman, Felix Juarez, Jerry McDonald, Mitch LaCombe, Marie Mondy, Gerald Olson, and Pete Schow

What help is needed? You can support the team in several ways:

1. **PRAY!!** Commit to pray for the team each day, and perhaps choose one person especially to lift up in prayer. Maybe you could even let that person know you will be their personal prayer warrior! Phone numbers and email addresses for most team members are in the Fotobook directory.

2. **GIVE!!** Team members have raised their own personal support for the trip, but there are specific items that would be helpful to the work in Constanza. The list includes:

* Money! -- Many of the items are technical and rather specific (such as doorknobs!) so the team will purchase these, but would appreciate donations to help pay for them. Make checks to First Free and mark them "Mission Trip Supplies" or put cash in an envelope marked as such.

* Miscellaneous items of Ladies' clothing in sizes 14 and 16, either new or gently used.

* Children's shoes; email msmondy@hotmail.com or call 952-835-0845 for sizes.

* Items to use for interacting with the children:

Slip 'n slide	Frisbees
Other water play toys	Playground balls that can be deflated & packed
Water balloons	Bubbles
Jump ropes	Color books
Paper doll books, etc.	Books with Bible stories

* New children's toys that can be used by the staff as birthday gifts for the children at the Ark.
Some ideas might be games, Lego kids, craft kits, dolls, and cars.

There will be containers in the back of the foyer for your contributions. We will be packing Friday evening, May 23, so all items need to be in before then.

Questions: Contact any team member or the church office.