



TREASURE

The very sound of the word stirs emotions of excitement, joy, and dreams. Webster's dictionary lists two definitions: 1. Wealth/something of great value 2. To store up (something of great value) for future use, hold or keep as precious. Jesus also talked about "treasures." To paraphrase Matthew 6:19-21, He said, don't store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where things can happen to them and you could lose them. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where nothing can take them away from you. Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. What we do with what we have in this life reveals whether our heart is earthly or heavenly, what we treasure and how much. Since we live on earth it is only natural to treasure earthly things for our own earthly use. However, Jesus tells us to store our treasures in heaven. When we begin to do that (by faith), an interesting thing happens, our heart begins to lean more toward heaven and we begin to desire more treasure there. This world can easily persuade us that all we have here is for here, but that is not necessarily true. Everything that the Lord gives us here can not only provide for us but can also have eternal value (treasure) in heaven when used for the Lord to advance His kingdom: our life (heart, time, energy, activity, prayers, pains, sufferings, etc.), money, things, work, family, relationships, etc., can all have eternal treasure value. **The greatest treasure is people**, for they are also God's greatest treasure. Everything we can do or use to bring people to Christ has personal eternal treasure value. In missions we see it all the time: vehicles, equipment, tools, airline tickets, support for missionaries, office expenses, materials, lights, even lawnmowers. The list of things is endless, when the purpose is serving the Lord. It's another win-win of living by faith in Jesus Christ. May the Lord bless you as you read this FOCUS and store up **more treasures in heaven**.



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Matthew 6:21



Alabama - Drive-In Park

God has tremendously blessed the DI Park ministry this summer. We have conducted 23 movie nights (March 23 - Oct 1), averaging 35 people per night and 1-2 decisions for Christ per night (we still have movies scheduled through November). The Park hosts a variety of people every day, enjoying the playground and picnic tables, walking the road around the soccer field, soccer practice/games, some special events, and pavilion rentals. Scripture verses are posted all around to silently witness to everyone. We are still excitedly looking for God's perfect timing to put together special personnel and equipment needed to install the field lights we have thus far and illuminate half the field. The walking track is now 10% complete

(300' of 3000'). When it is finished it will be just over ½ mile long around the whole property. Even though we only pay for the crushed limestone, the cost is now projected at \$2.50 per foot (\$7500). Completion will hopefully be before spring.



Mobile Ministry

It has been an active and fruitful summer of mobile movie meetings here in the Alabama area as well as with our partners in Florida and Western Pennsylvania. A good number of meetings were held in various places with different churches and some decisions for Christ were made (not all reports were in at this printing).

Caleb & Katie Goodwin

We have begun our support raising process and are starting to build our team of both financial and prayer supporters. During this time, Caleb is continuing to work full-time with Davis Direct Printing during the week and serving at Drive-In Park each weekend with the movie nights. For the park, Caleb is starting to build relationships with the surrounding churches to invite them to sponsor movie nights at the park, build a volunteer base, and beginning to take more of a leadership role

during the movie nights. We are blessed by those who have joined our support team thus far and ask you to pray for our family as we continue in this process. Our prayer is that God will provide the needed support for Caleb to transition full-time into the role of Park Director soon. You can learn more on our page at the Drive-In website.



AROUND THE WORLD



Joneses to Colombia

Greetings from Colombia! Erika and I are traveling with Pastor Eder every other weekend to Ambalema to meet with multiple small groups and families to teach the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We met with over 40 people our second visit and are very encouraged by the interest and desire of the people to learn. It takes a lot of preparation for two full days of teaching. God is blessing our efforts and continues to prepare the way for his kingdom to grow. Please pray for our preparations, teaching, and for more men



to express interest in the Gospel, as the majority have been women and children. We also still need more support from a few more families, churches, or individuals to be fully supported financially. God bless you, Stephen and Erika.

Jim2Romania

Hello from Romania! Things are about to change here. The owner of the house I rent wants to sell it, so after speaking with the Lord and Mike Jones, I have decided it's time for me to move

back to the states. Ionut is ready to take my place. He is still raising support. We are waiting to hear from the American Embassy if he will have a visa to come to the states to go with me to my supporting churches and meet some of the personal supporters. Mike and I have spoken about me working with him in Alabama and about taking a van to Michigan to do ministry just like we do in Romania! You will read more about this in the coming months. I am excited to start a new chapter in my life as a missionary, but I will terribly miss Tony! I will continue to chat with him on Whats App! God bless you for your support during my years in Romania! Ionut will do a wonderful job!

MINISTRY CLIPS

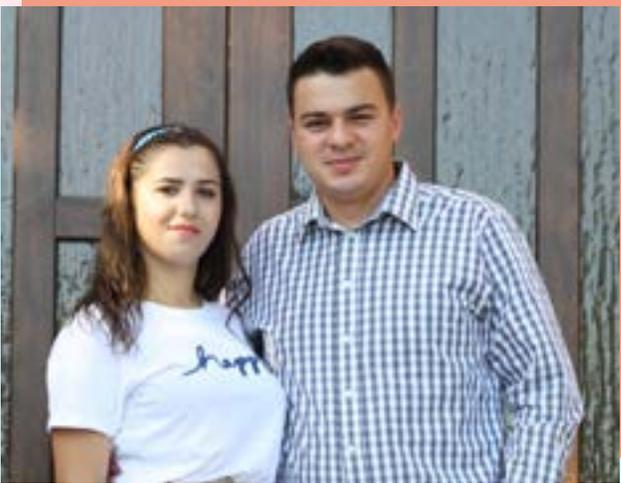
Nigeria- Gospel Faith Mission International (George Kunle) report of mobile movie crusades July-September 2021 **16 meetings, 4,814 attending, 413 decisions for Christ.**

Haiti - Please continue to **pray** for **Haiti**. This is the latest quick report from our ministry partner in Port-au-Prince (Oct. 11). "The situation becomes worse in Haiti every day. The worse thing is the kidnappings. Almost every day the gangs kidnap 10 + people and ask a lot of money. We do activities but not as we planned before."

SPOTLIGHT

IONUT and ESTERA UDRESCU - Missionary Candidates to Romania

From Mike Jones-President: For the last five years, Jim Morgan has been training Ionut Udrescu, a Timisoara Baptist Bible Institute graduate, to be his replacement to lead the Drive-In mobile movie ministry in Romania that he began 11 years ago. In 2019, Ionut & Estera were accepted as Drive-In missionary candidates and have continued to work and serve with Jim as much as possible. This summer Ionut and Estera led the mobile ministry by themselves and did a very good job. Jim will be moving back to the states very soon and Ionut & Estera will continue to lead the mobile ministry themselves, however, they are in urgent need of support. Thankfully, it doesn't cost as much to live there as here, only \$1425 month. On behalf of Drive-In, Jim, and Ionut & Estera I am asking you to please prayerfully consider a commitment to support the Udrescus.



From Ionut & Estera: Peace and many blessings from the Ionut and Estera Udrescu family!

We want to share with you some things from the missionary work in which the Lord has called us to serve. Since the end of the summer mission (Cinema on Wheels) we have continued to serve through the churches we worked with this summer: Livezile, Orevita, Higiu, Breznita and others. Recently we were involved in a project called "ready for school" that had to do with the help of poor children with backpacks and school supplies. We are so honored to serve the Lord in our country. We

need your support both in prayer and financially. We assure you of all sincerity and trust. Blessings from our Heavenly Father...

(You can find more info about the Udrescus at www.driveinministries.com and view a video on Youtube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kgNm-ufpj28>)



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