

MISSIONS UPDATE

Here is an update from the Missions Committee on some of the global missionaries who have spoken at Christ Church Cathedral, or who have helped our cathedral mission teams:

UGANDA – The Rev. Canon Paul Jeffries, principal of Bishop McAllister College and Seminary, is trying to raise \$15,000 to put a roof on a chapel being built on the campus. A recent country gospel concert at St. Mary's Anglican Church in Devon raised \$961. Paul, who is a priest from New Brunswick, will travel home for a visit this autumn. A team from Holy Trinity Anglican in New Maryland is planning a mission trip to Uganda in March 2012.

HONDURAS – The Rev. Kara Thompson Mejia and The Rev. Nelson Mejia with the South American Missionary Society (Canada) are still trying to plant a new church in Coxen Hole, the main town on Roatan Island. They raised \$26,000 toward the \$35,000 purchase price of land for a church, but their offer was turned down. They and their bishop are looking at other parcels of land in the area.

BELIZE – The Rev. Juan Bernardo Marentes with the South American Missionary Society (USA) serves at St. Andrew's Anglican Church in San Ignacio, Belize. He underwent surgery for prostate cancer earlier this year. During Easter services, he baptized three adults as well as six children who attend St. Hilda's school where the mission teams from Christ Church Cathedral worked in 2007 and 2010. The mission team from the Church of St. John and the Nerepis in Grand Bay-Westfield, which travelled to Belize in March 2011, also met with Father Juan and his wife Maria Isabel who leads youth groups and trains Sunday school teachers.

PERU – The Very Rev. John Park, who is Dean of the Good Shepherd Cathedral in Lima, Peru, underwent hernia surgery earlier this year. His wife Susan is working with women's ministries and planning for mission teams that will be travelling to Peru this year. They serve with the South American Missionary Society (USA).

The Missions Committee asks for your ongoing prayers for the spiritual, financial and physical needs of these missionaries who are serving God in foreign lands under often-difficult conditions.