We take pleasure in sending herewith our updated newsletter for July 2015.

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UCF Free Medical Clinic
Hewadiwela 11th July 2015

The UCF Medical Clinic held at St. Peter & Paul Church of Hewadiwela was organized by Rev. Fr. Mahesh Sri Jayampath, the Priest in Charge. The clinic was held at the church premises, on the 11th of July 2015. Our medical team was able to serve the members of the church as well as to others in the community by providing treatment and medicine which they appreciate very much.

Sunday Service at St. Andrew’s Church, Meethenwela
12th July 2015

St. Andrew’s Church, one of the oldest churches, belongs to the Diocese in Kurunegala which is located in Mawathagama area. Nearly 300 members belong to this congregation. Rev. Rohana Rajapaksha is the Priest in Charge. Upon an invitation by the Parish Priest, Rev. Fernando shared the message on Sunday, 12th July. The congregation was inspired by the message which was based on Life of Zachcheues: Luke 19:1-10, “Son of Man has come to seek and to save the lost…(new life)”
Meeting with the President of the Methodist Church in Sri Lanka  8th July 2015

Rev. Fernando was again able to meet with the President of the Methodist Church in Sri Lanka where they discussed various ministerial matters including UCF ministry conducted island wide. His term will be over by August 2015. However, he will continue to keep in touch and give his fullest cooperation to the UCF ongoing ministry. He has been a very good friend to Rev. Fernando for many years as the UCF works very closely with the Methodist Church in Sri Lanka.

Humanitarian Food Distribution  11th July 2015

Provided by Feed the Hunger

Rev. Fernando was also able to provide some boxes of humanitarian relief food to the St. Peter and Paul Churches in Hewadiwela to feed the needy children of the community. This was provided as requested by the Priest in Charge of the Church. They are grateful and thankful to the UCF for the great services extended to the church and to the needy people in the village.

Food boxes were also provided to the nursery school in Polonnaruwa.

It is a great pleasure to inform you that a Global Builders team consisting 13 members from USA was in Sri Lanka. This team was led by Pastor Brian. The team worked very hard in volunteering to build 2 homes for 2 needy families in places Angulana and Kadalana, both located in Moratuwa. Both homes were successfully built by the team together with local masons.

We are grateful and thankful for their commitment in reaching to help the needy.

Other Activities

Apart from the Fuller Housing programme, the team was actively involved in other activities such as ministering to our believers of the UCF churches in Dambulla & Moratuwa, visiting Nursery schools of Madatugama & Moratuwa, taking part in children’s feeding programmes and distributing school books to needy children, etc.
On their final day in Sri Lanka, they took part in attending & ministering at our staff meeting in Moratuwa, where they generously provided some clothing to our staff and supported the ministry. It was a wonderful time of fellowship together with all staff followed by a great lunch.

We are wholeheartedly grateful to all the team members for coming here to Sri Lanka and working together with our team. It was a great encouragement and a blessing!

We encourage our prayer partners to pray for our ministries of UCF and Fuller, for the Lord to provide all provisions required to keep His work ongoing.
Team taking part at a feeding programme at the UCF Nursery school in Madatugama

Pastor Brian preaching at the fellowship service in Dambulla

Team taking part in providing school books to the needy children in Dambulla

Pastor Brian ministering at the staff meeting held in Moratuwa

Team gifting new t-shirts to all the staff after the staff meeting

‘..thanks be to God, who gives us the Victory through our Lord Jesus Christ’ 1 Corinthians 15:57
Mr & Mrs. Lance Weldgen

Brother Lance and his wife Gerri Weldgen from Colorado, USA are residing near Colombo. On the most recent occasion they visited the UCF morning staff devotion held on the 31st July 2015 at the UCF Center in Moratuwa and Brother Lance took the morning devotion. He and his wife were introduced to us by Brother Sam Thevabalasingham, Director of Ceylon Every Home Crusade in Colombo. Brother Lance and his wife Gerri are devoted Christians who have a great passion to share the Lord’s love among the people and have a great interest in the work of UCF through which the His work is carried out around the country.

Prayer Requests

1. Pray for the all the churches and Christian workers in Sri Lanka to work together in Unity to fulfill God’s purpose in the country.

2. Pray for the needs of the UCF and its ministries as well as the 25 field staff; for the Lord’s protection over them and their families; for their monthly needs to be met, such as transportation, house rent, medical bills, etc.

3. Pray for the effective continuing function of the UCF activities, such as the Church Planting Ministry, the Seminars, Conferences, Medical Camps, Feeding Programmes, etc.

4. Pray for the Fuller Center for Housing in Sri Lanka and abroad, which is an ongoing programme carried out among all communities in providing shelter for needy families. We ask for God’s Grace and Blessings on those who are connected with this ministry.

5. Pray for the upcoming visitors to the UCF; Rev. & Mrs. Alan Reeves from UK (29 Oct – 1 Nov); Mr. Trevor & colleagues from UK (10 Nov.); Pastor John Thillamelem (Sri Lankan national) from Canada (1 Nov.); Mr. & Mrs. Reginald Dissanayake (Sri Lankan nationals) from Australia (14 Nov.) Please pray for God grace and blessings upon them as they plan and prepare for their visits.

6. Pray for the upcoming parliamentary election in Sri Lanka scheduled to be held on 17th August 2105. May it be a peaceful procedure.

May the Good Lord continue to bless you, your family and your work during this year!

Ranjan, family and the UCF Staff, Sri Lanka