

August 2004

This past month we returned from our annual summer youth conference and WOW! How exciting to be in the Lord's work and see him working in the lives of these teens. I wish you could have been there as these 80+ teens and youth leaders filled our camp auditorium with praise to the Lord. These are teenagers who are singing louder than some churches I've been in. I just had "goosebumps" down my spine with thrill to hear and see the spiritual responses of these young people. There were many decisions made everyday at the camp for surrender and commitment to the Lord and His work --- I'm just saying our youth conference this year was AWESOME! We give glory to our Lord for His grace and blessing on the conference. It is truly one of the most important things we do for our kids all year. It ends up being somewhat expensive, but by FAR worth everything invested! Missionary Matt Hudson gave most of the messages this year and was wonderfully used of the Lord. My wife and I also spoke this year. I spoke on being YEILDED and surrendering ALL to Christ and my wife spoke to just the girls about PURITY and relationships with boys. I believe nearly all the girls made a commitment to chastity (GLORY!-please, pray for them) and my wife gave to the girls in our group "promise rings."

In sooo many ways it may have been the best youth conference yet. Our kids cannot wait till next year. Glory be to our matchless Savior and Lord!

Within a couple weeks of returning to our church, we printed certificates for the teens who made decisions as a faithful reminder of their decisions. We framed these certificates and presented the youth before the church and allowed them to give testimony to what the Lord did in their life this year at summer conference.

This past month, my wife's family from NC came over to visit us. We have soooo enjoyed their stay. This also gave us a chance to take a break before the school year starts for us and our ultra busy September.

Please pray for our upcoming CITY-WIDE EVANGELISTIC MEETING coming up Sept. 13-16. We will have a group in from the states and with him missionary Bob Gray will be speaking. We must saturate this vitally important time in prayer. Please make a note to give a special time for daily prayer that week. This is going to be sooooo important for our city, our church and many dear souls. The most important time to pray will be Thursday evening, Sept. 16 (Ukrainian time) or about 11:00 am EST. Thank you sooooo much for having a part in the success of this Evangelistic Meeting.

Please keep our Timothy Class (10 teen disciples or "Timothies"). Our Weekly meetings are going well and the kids seem to be truly benefiting from this course. Pray for the young men in our church. We are loosing some, I'm afraid to the wicked influence of pornography in this city. PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE YOUNG MEN- Vanya, Andre', EEleya, Maxeem, Djhenya, Deema, EEger, Sirgay, and others yet to reach.

Please labor in prayer for my dear wife who begins this month teaching 3 of our 4 youngsters in school daily.

You all are faithful, supportive and very encouraging to our hearts. We thank you and the Lord Jesus who enables you to be such a blessing to the Hess Family and ministry.

Rejoicing in Him,
TONY HESS and the whole Hess Family

PS. If any of your address information has changed, please update us at hess@pop.cris.net Thank you bushels!!!