



The Brockintons in Belize

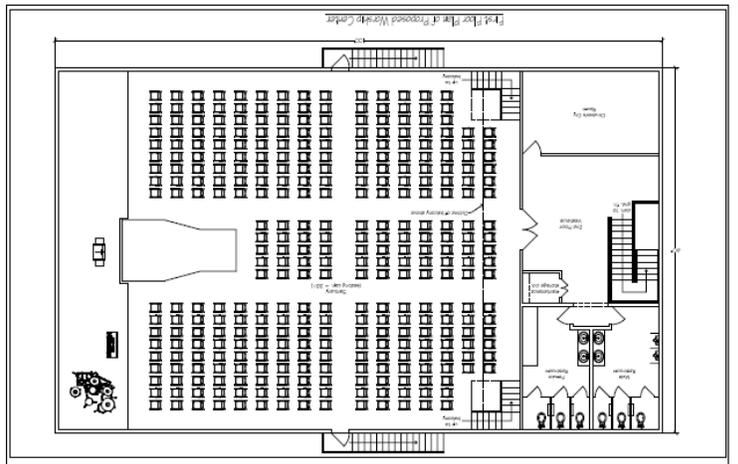
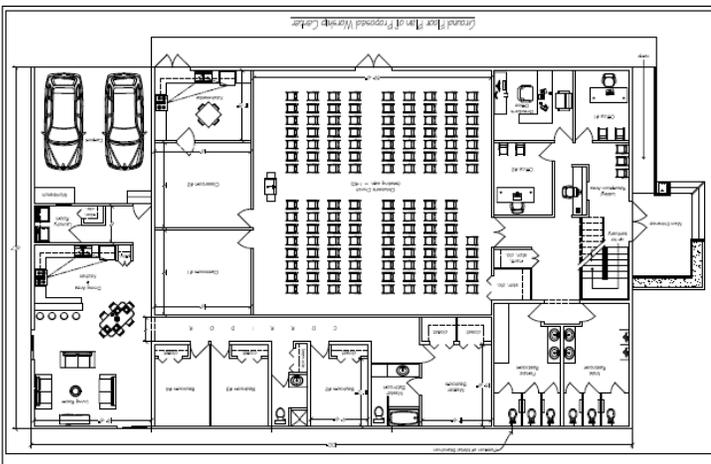
2014 February Newsletter



1. February is going to be a CRAZY month: I have guests coming into town the first week, the second week and a team of 30 coming for the third and fourth week. We also are planning some BIG outreach Sundays. February 9th we will have an official Ground-Breaking for our new church property. We are hoping to have the Mayor, Area Representative and the media there to celebrate with us. We are very excited about this. Building will be a slow process, but we are moving forward. On February 21st we will have our 5th Life Advance which is an all-day retreat that focuses on allowing the Lord to heal our past pains so we can effectively minister to others.

2. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS: If you read our newsletter on a monthly basis, last month I shared a serious prayer request. Things are much, much better. The last 6 weeks of 2013 were the most difficult that I have ever dealt with in ministry. Thank you for your prayers – God truly intervened here. I needed your prayers so desperately and needed God to take care of the situation. I received 3 texts on a Saturday using threatening words and telling me that it was almost over. This was about 4 weeks ago and then it all went quiet. Since then – the mother and daughter have met several times and God is healing their relationship. The mother hurt herself about a week ago and the daughter temporarily moved back in to help serve her mom. They both went to counseling and the daughter expressed that it was productive. There still is lots of healing that needs to take place, but we can truly see the hand of God in all this. Later in the newsletter, you will read testimonies that three girls did for a church that partners with us – one of these testimonies is from the daughter that you have been praying for here.

3. Land/Building Design: We are moving forward. The Ground Breaking ceremony is February 9th. We believe this project will take about 2 years to complete due to funds and labor cost. There is no such thing as a church-loan in Belize. You build when you have the funds and you wait when you don't. We hope to have teams come to help us build. This is a **BIG** building by Belize standards and we truly want to build with excellence and for the facility to be a multi-purpose blessing to the community. We plan to house a preschool, church parsonage and building to allow it to be used by the community for events and concerts. Please join with us in prayer that we can begin as soon as possible.



4. MINIBUS: We found a minibus that will replace the oldest van we have. That van is always in the shop and the minibus will hold 17 in seats, but will hold about 25 people for short trips. We will use it on Sundays to pick up those from Maya Mopan and on Thursdays to bring the young adults from Maya Mopan to Net.

5. COMING TO TEXAS IN MAY: So here are some dates I have available to speak:

Sunday - May 11th - Sunday morning and night available in the Katy area in two different churches

Sunday - May 18th - Hoping to get to San Antonio and would be available for Sunday morning and night in two churches.

Sunday - May 25th - In the Dallas area (might have this filled). This would only be for the morning.

Sunday - June 1st - in the Houston area for Sunday morning and night.



Available some Wednesdays nights as well or throughout the week. I hope to meet with as many of you as I can while we are there.

HOW YOUR PARTNERSHIP IN MISSIONS IS CHANGING LIVES. Here are three testimonies. From Zada'Leigh Witz.

Pastor Lee Brockinton was on the University grounds spreading the Word and inviting students to LifeNet. I happened to be one of those students he invited. An invitation I didn't accept until a year later. Need I say there was a presence present with him that very moment. It bothered me because I had never encountered such a feeling. I was raised in an above average dysfunctional home. Where abuse, neglect, adultery, alcoholism, racism and discipline (I was taught education was my only way to survive) were the foundation of our home. There was no room for God, little love or nurture. By the time I was 19, I was labeled, perhaps not the coolest person to be around. I was yearning for a little love which I found in the wrong places. I felt worthless and insignificant. The presence was still bothering me, I took up Lee's offer and headed to LifeNet. To my amazement, it was the love of God I was longing for. Within days, I knew I was here to stay, I found genuine love and care from the Brockintons, who were willing to edify me and challenge me. God sent these missionaries just to save me. That is how much He loves me, I am living proof God exists.



Samantha Underwood Born December 10th, 1994: Hi my name is Sammy and Sammy smiles. I say Sammy smiles not because everything is perfect, but because Sammy serves a God that's perfect. My life has forever been changed and I can never be the same because someone chose to be obedient to God. When my pastor Lee Brockinton and his family moved from Katy, Texas, to Belize, I was in Pearland, Texas, partying, having the most unhealthy relationship with my mother and step dad, Mad at the world because I felt unloved by my mother, and my biological dad who I had seen only a few times ever, doing drugs, dating whoever I pleased. I was doing whatever pleased Sammy because although I knew about a God in the Bible, we never got acquainted and although I read the Bible, I wondered where my conviction was. The Brockintons moved to Belize and moved into a house with my best friend, Wini, in Belize (What are the odds huh?). When I came back to Belize, Wini had left, but told me so much about how great LifeNet was and that I should go because she lived with them so she knew. I thought why not please the best friend? So I went. My pastor made me feel very comfortable and welcomed although I only knew one person (an ex classmate). I went for months and then a lady named Karen Brockington, who was a manager to Nicole C. Mullen, a Christian singer got in contact with Pastor Lee about coming down to Belize from the states. So she did and arranged a concert with Nicole C. Mullen. My heart was gladdened because this was the lady whose song I first sang in front of a crowd whose response to my singing showed me just maybe I had talent so I was excited for her concert she had in the context of church day with LifeNet. That day, I refused to go to church due to a sore on the side of my mouth. I refused but for the first time, my not so Christian mother said "I think you should go to church today" and something inside me said Go. So I obeyed. I went and at the end of this concert, there was an alter call for whoever needed prayers and on my way to someone I was familiar with, I felt the need to turn to Mrs. Karen Brockington not knowing her or why, but I did and that day I got saved and accepted Christ into my heart and sang "How He loves by Kim walker" knowing what it meant. A few months later, I got baptized for the first time with Karen Brockington and Pastor Lee at my side because of their impact in my life. After getting saved, life did NOT become easy. I went through trials and tribulations. I moved out of the house with my mother and she did not make that easy for whoever knew me at all. I was in and out of the police station because of her, framing me, and just trying to put me down, but I smiled because I had peace of mind. Tell me why I should be worried when I serve a God greater than any human and definitely greater than the devil trying to enable a human. It was hard because this was my life, I was only human, and this was my mother, but I never gave up, I was supported by LifeNet, I found a family when mine did not want me because I was living with a couple: Kelston and Samantha Jacobs from LifeNet. They took me in as their family in all literal ways and went through all my mother put them through, but were strengthened by the Lord. This verse Psalms 27:10: "***Though my father and mother forsake me, the Lord will receive me***" was what kept me going each day and unlike my mother, he called me beautiful, fearfully and wonderfully made, and he showed me His love. I gave my worries to God and today, I am actually sleeping over at my mother's house, she's realizing her mistakes, working on herself and reading the Bible and we are recovering and God is basically pouring His healing oil on me, my biological father and I are now in contact and he's supporting me financially and emotionally. I thank Pastor Lee with all my heart for being who he is and being obedient to God even when it may have seemed crazy the steps he took before ending up here. I am very grateful for how he runs & handles the church, and what LifeNet represents: leadership. Who knew I could ever lead even a mouse to cheese, but with how they have equipped me and my faith in God, what can I NOT do? It's a wonderful thing to know how all things work for the good of those who love God even when it's starting to seem otherwise and so Sammy smiles.



Winnie Hsu (pronounced "she"): The story of my salvation - my family and i were living in Belize for approximately 5 years when it happened that my parents had to leave to Taiwan. But because I had to finish my studies, I was obligated to stay here in Belize until I graduated. Therefore; I needed a

guardian to look after me. This was when the people, I now call my family, came to live with me. At first, they were complete strangers to me, but as I got to know them, I found out that they are a blessing to my life. This family I speak of is a pastor, his wife, and their three children. They have made such a difference in my life and for this I don't regret meeting them. Because of them, a team came from California. They were all gathered up in my house just to minister to each other and my pastor was ministering to us. When it was worshiping time, I was so into it and it was so powerful that for the first time I actually felt God's presence. We sang many songs, but when I heard this specific song, *You Are Beautiful* by Phil Wickham, I felt it profoundly touched my heart. Its lyrics had the words "Moon" and "Stars" in it. It spoke to me even more because I love moon and stars a lot. It's just amazing how God just touched me through a worship song with the things that I love, it's like He is telling me that He is with me everywhere in my daily life. I gave my heart to the Lord that very night. I cried tears of joy for I felt an amazing joy in my heart that I had never felt before. It was the best thing I had ever done. Since that day I have tried my best in living by His Word!



Budget Update:

October, November and December – we met budget. Thank you for your partnership with us on the field. Your financial gifts allow us to serve here the wonderful people of Belize. Over the last year, our support has declined a little. Our finances are still healthy, but I definitely see the need to add support. For those who are not partnering with us financially, please consider a monthly support of \$50, \$100 or more to sow into the work here.

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