

Make a Move

There's a Bridge to Cross

It grieves God when those in need continue to be neglected while Christians turn away.

- A snapshot of the heart of our Savior. Luke 4:18,19

Here's what we've been learning in the past four weeks:

- God loves to use ordinary people like you and me to rescue the lost and the suffering.
- As we connect to the needs in our Jerusalem, we end up weeping along with Jesus.
- God's rescue compels us to share the powerful Gospel and tell our spiritual stories.
- God's call to make disciples directs us to intentionally build into others. Matt. 28:19,20

It's easy to ignore the needs that exist at "the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8

- Every day 26,000 children die of preventable causes related to poverty.
- To meaningfully connect to the tear in God's eye we must put a face on the statistics.

A brief history of how LAEFC has been responding to the tear in God's eye:

- In 2007 God began to orchestrate a vital link between LAEFC, AFCA /Tanya and Congo.
- In 2009 we raised \$40,000 to launch program supporting 150 kids/guardians with meds and food. We also provided money to send Kenyan doctors to do training in the Congo.
- In 2011 we visited the Congo and found that our resources are making a big difference.
- In 2011 we raised \$39,000 to send over $\frac{1}{2}$ million dollars' worth of supplies to the Congo.
- In 2012 we are exploring ways to assist church-planting movement in the Congo.

Practical ways to keep the kitten on your front porch:

- Commit to short-term mission trips in poor countries. It will change you forever.
- Congo Kid Calendars to support orphans. Bracelets with HIV/AIDS kids' names on them.
- Cross bridge into your Jerusalem. God will expose needs and connect your heart to His.
- Globalfingerprints Sponsorship: Sign up to sponsor a child in the church lobby.

Further Study and Pondering:

1. Explain reaction to being called one of the rich ones. Explain why this may be the case.
2. How have you sought to implement principles from our first four weeks? Action steps?
3. Evaluate: In the midst of all your busyness, are you able to respond to tear in God's eye?
4. What steps are you taking to ensure the kitten remains on your front step?
5. Further study on God's heart for the vulnerable: (Lev. 19:9,10; Deut. 10:17-19; Psalms 10:17,18; 35:10; 116:5; Proverbs 14:13; 21:13; 28:27; Isaiah 1:17; Matthew 25:31-46; Acts 20:22-24; James 2:14-17)
6. Spend time in prayer asking God to clearly reveal to you what bridges you should cross.

Keep the Kitten on Your Front Porch!