

Service Opportunities Outside Austin

Austin Guatemala – *Pueblo Modelo, one "Austin, Guatemala" is a village of over 2,500 people who were displaced by mudslides and transplanted to a desolate, dry land, left with nothing. A lack of clean water sources and drought conditions has prevented Pueblo Modelo from any growth. Volunteers on these trips may address a variety of focus areas including, feeding programs, clean water provision and building of homes, schools, and churches. Contact Tom Sanchez (toms@grace360.org)*

<http://www.austinguatemala.com/>

ECC Haiti Recovery – *ECC Haiti Recovery is a parachurch organization comprised of individual volunteers who have been involved, some over 16 years, with the ministry of Pastor Gersan Valcin and his wife Betty. Gersan Valcin, a Haitian national, is the pastor of Evangelical Community Church of Haiti (ECC), located in Port-Au-Prince. ECC Haiti Recovery, under the leadership of Gary Kersch from Austin Texas, is devoted to meeting the personal and ministry needs of the Valcin's, his congregation, as well as countless other Haitians who were impacted by the devastating earthquake. As of February 2010, ECC is providing food, non-urgent medical care, and simple shelter to over 2600 Haitians. Contact Gary Kersch (garyk@doublekay.com)*

<http://www.ecchaitirecovery.org/>

Hope in Ethiopia, Zeway – *The Austin church has been invited to join Food for the Hungry and the local Zeway Christian church community (who are already working in incredible unison) to play a role in true community transformation. And we believe this partnership will transform not only the Zeway community but our community. Contact Matt Kouri (kouri@austin.rr.com)*

<http://www.zewayupdate.blogspot.com/>

ROHI International – *The Rohi Foundation's current ministry focus is in supporting short-term trips to Reynosa Mexico. Trips are scheduled multiple times a year by members of the body of Christ who have decided to step out in faith and obedience, allowing God to work through them to help meet the physical and spiritual needs of the desperately poor. This includes providing clean water, building community centers and bathroom facilities, food, and working with the residents of Reynosa to establish self-sustaining food sources, as well as a variety of outreach activities. Contact Tom Erickson (terickson@austin.rr.com)*

<http://www.rohifoundation.org/>