

Project: Businessmen Using Their Resources to Help Church Planters Begin Micro-Businesses.

Description and Information on this project: A group of businessmen from the Temple Baptist Church in Hattiesburg , Mississippi led by their mission pastor and a lay businessman have been praying about how they can impact the nations as businessmen. A couple of men came last summer on a mission trip to western Ukraine to work with one of our church planters. After seeing his vision of working with the Gypsies they went home and look at a plan to help him get started in a micro- business. They helped him financially set up a small bee keeping business to help him support his family and a source of income for his ministry to the Gypsies. This has served as a model for setting up these micro- businesses and sparked an interest in a very practical way of how they can be used in the church planting process.

This sparked interest in the men at Hattiesburg and after meeting with them this summer they are interested in making a visit in Feb. 2011 to see what we are doing at Kiev Theological Seminary to train and equip church planters to plant reproducible churches in Ukraine and the former Soviet Union. While here they will interview selected students from the church planting program and make a couple of on the field visits to see first hand what is going on and how they can get involved in investing in these young mens lives and ministry.

An Invitation to Any Graceland Businessmen: If there are any businessmen at Graceland that might be interested in how they can make a difference in the kingdom with the resources that God has blessed them with is invited to join this group that is coming over from Mississippi in Feb.2011.