

# Church Planting in Iceland

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### Special points of interest

- August 2011 marks our 12th consecutive year in Iceland
- July marks our 15th wedding anniversary
- The first of 11 groups from our supporting churches was a huge success
- 10 more groups scheduled to come and help with the work
- Tom and Katie Brown from Gospel Light Baptist Church in Walkertown, NC (Bro. Bobby, Pastor) came to work and the church gave 2500 dollars for the building project! Thank you!
- Bill Harrison from Friendship Baptist Church at Highlands, Arkansas (Pastor Mike Stanley) came as an electrician to work on the building. Thank you!

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### Team Abishai comes to our aid

In second Samuel 21 verses 15-22 we hear about Goliath's brothers that Israel met in battle. I have often related the building project here as Goliath. It is a task that is bigger than we are; yet there is a cause! Our Goliath has fallen, but also has brothers.

II Samuel 21:16 "And Ishbibenob, which was of the sons of the giant, the weight of whose spear weighed three hundred shekels of brass in weight, he being girded with a new sword, thought to have slain David." Abishai stepped in and defeated Ishbibenob the giant.

As you look at the photo to the right you will see a photo of the team that was here March 29–April 12, as well as a print of the building. The green section is finished. The blue section is not finished. The purple section is the section which the team worked on. Photos of the project progress can be seen on the internet at the following address: [www.simnet.is/vweimer](http://www.simnet.is/vweimer) You will see on our home page "Building Project

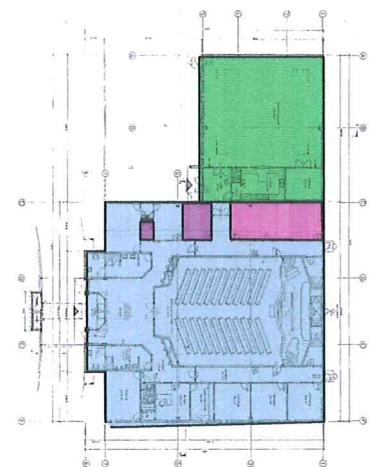
Progress" (Only Internet Explorer works to view page) Last year team Gideon from CrossRoads Baptist Church help me to see the walls framed in the blue section. That task was only one giant task in a family of giants. Like Abishai stood up and defeated the giant that thought to have slain David, team Abishai came to our aid and helped us conquer one more giant task. I am not David, but this project at times feels like it may slay me.

The military base closing and leaving the unfinished building for our use was a huge blessing, but it has also been one of our hardest tasks on this mission field.

The building, by local ordinances, cannot just be "as is." We must either sell it or finish it. I believe God wants us to finish it. I can't wait to



Team Abishai:  
From Right to Left: Patrick, Vicki, Katie, Tom, Clayton, Bill, Michelle  
Front: William, Rosa, Alex, Alannah



finish this project so I can focus on ministering and the other family of giants...the Bible translation...and of course reaching the World through Iceland.

### Groups on the way to help from our supporting churches

It is a blessing to have groups respond to the needs here in Iceland. We have had an wonderful response to the desire for our supporting churches to "Come and See." We are set to receive over 40 people from now to the middle of August. We are very excited about the opportunity to have so many from our supporting churches come and see first hand what their support monies are doing in Iceland. The first team: Team Abishai, left on the 12th of April. The

next group of 4 is coming to help on May 12th–19th. We have 2 groups coming to help with summer camp. There is a teen group coming from Pastor Shepley's church. I very much need a skilled construction person to come and assist me in a couple tasks. If you are interested email me at [pw@simnet.is](mailto:pw@simnet.is) and I will email details. I always love it when people from our supporting

churches come to visit. Please send your pastor or people to Iceland.

Being unable to come home and report due to the ministry needs here, it sure is a blessing to have supporting churches send groups so that they can see for themselves what the Lord is doing in Iceland.