



### Off to Siberia, Russia

Tonight, my wife, Michelle, and sister, Bonnie Martin, head to Novokusnestk in Siberia, Russia to train the women at the Teen Challenge ministry how to make handcrafted jewelry and to provide professional counseling.

Please pray for them over the next two weeks.



*The women of Teen Challenge in Novokuznetsk, Siberia*

### Swaziland Teen Challenge News - from Kevin & Helen Ward



*"The Jewels 4 God jewelry making project was recently introduced as a creative vocational skill that will build self esteem in the Hawane mothers and teen-agers, as they actively contribute towards the running expenses of their homes, in addition to demonstrating to the children on the farm the important principle of becoming self supporting, by utilizing the talents and abilities God has placed in each of them.. The name, 'Jewels 4 God' refers not only to the items of jewelry that are made to further the work of God's Kingdom, but also to the jewelry makers themselves; they are the 'jewels' in God's Kingdom!"*



*We were privileged to have Jewels 4 God International train at Teen Challenge in March 2008, for the initial training, which was held in Bulembu. In January, 2009, two of the people who participated in the first training, came from Bulembu to Hawane to pass on their new skill to our mothers and teen-agers.*

*It is our aim that those who have received the Jewels 4 God training will, in turn, train the children in their care in jewelry amking, that they might learn from an early age a vocational skill that will give them hope and secure their future by assisting them to be financially independent."*

### Help for Macedonia Teen Challenge

We were recently contacted by Jonaton Vlavisavljevic, Executive Director of Teen Challenge in Macedonia with some excited news.

Macedonia Teen Challenge has been provided with a beautiful storefront to sell their goods.

Two years ago, Jonaton wrote to us stating, *"We desperately need you to come and provide jewelry training for our ministry. We have two centers and financial pressure is big for finding new means of supporting the work. We are planning a girls center too, but financially the burden is too big. We are the only program in the country. The doors are wide open, but we need the kind of assistance you offer to help us become more self sustainable."*

With this new opportunity of a storefront for Macedonia Teen Challenge we would like to provide the training for them as soon as possible.

Would you prayerfully consider giving towards this project?

\$12,500 is needed to launch a jewelry business for Teen Challenge Macedonia and bring in much needed ongoing support.



*The interior of the store that has been provided for Teen Challenge Macedonia*

### Office/Warehouse Construction Under Way

Construction of a 526 sq. foot office and warehouse space is under way for Jewels 4 God. In order to keep costs to a minimum we are building it ourselves. Total project - \$13,500 which is only \$25 a sq. foot.

\$6,000 is needed to complete the project and provide furnishings.



*Tim and Luke Zello nailing the floor joists.*

## Training Schedule

March 16-26 - Jewelry Training and Professional Counseling - Teen Challenge Siberia, Russia  
 May 6-13 - Jewelry Training and Donor's Banquet - Teen Challenge Jamaica  
 May 15-28 - Jewelry Training - Teen Challenge Kazakistan

**Requests for Training (funds needed)** - Teen Challenge Macedonia, Teen Challenge Uruguay, Teen Challenge Pakistan,  
 Teen Challenge Argentina

Blessings,

*Tim and Michelle Zello*

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 President/Vice-President

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*And they will be mine, says the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spares his own son that serves him (Malachi 3:17).*

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