



# ANGOLA MISSION TEAM

Declaring His glory among the nations and His marvelous deeds among all peoples.



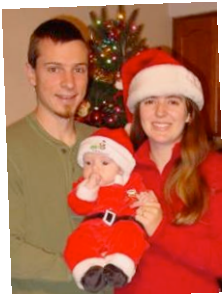
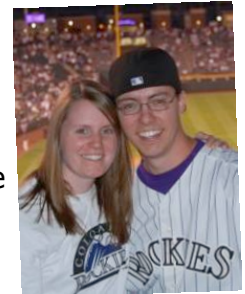
The Angola Mission Team began to form immediately following the end of the Angolan civil war in 2002. The team is now made up of three couples and two singles. Lord willing we will leave the US to attend language school in Portugal in January 2010 and hopefully arrive in Angola by October of 2010.

**Rusty and Laura Campbell** have served as vocational missionaries in Japan for four years. Rusty is from Portland, Oregon and Laura is from Kenya where her parents were missionaries. They both graduated from Cascade College in Portland. Rusty recently finished his master's degree in ministry. Alex is 2 years old and his baby brother Stephen is six months.



**Nathan Holland** graduated from Harding University in 2004, majoring in Missions. He has spent time in Mozambique, Portugal and Brazil making contacts and building connections between churches and individuals in the Portuguese speaking world. He was also involved in hurricane relief following Katrina and working with a new church plant in Southern Mississippi. Most recently he has worked in inner-city ministry in North Little Rock.

**Robert and Teague Meyer** work with the Silver City Church in North Little Rock, Arkansas. Teague has served as a nurse at Arkansas Children's Hospital since graduating from Harding University in May, 2006. Robert recently completed his M.Div. degree from the Harding Graduate School of Religion in Memphis, TN. Robert & Teague are also in the process of adopting siblings from Ethiopia.



**Danny and Katie Reese** were both raised as missionary kids – Danny in South Africa, Katie in Kenya. They graduated from Harding University, Danny with a degree in Missions, and Katie with a degree in Early Childhood Education. Danny is finishing up a graduate degree in ministry at the Harding Graduate School of Religion. Their daughter Eliana is the most recent addition to the Reese family and to the Angola Team.

**Jordan Yarbrough** is a registered nurse who graduated from Harding University's College of Nursing in 2006 and is currently working at Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock. She has been involved in medical mission work in both Tanzania and Mexico and will bring much needed medical expertise with her to Angola.



## Strategy & Guiding Principles

The members of our team have several talents, and we will most likely have more than one focus. Church planting and leadership training are our top priorities. We also have medical personnel whose skills will be invaluable to the people of Angola. More specific ministry focuses will become clear as we learn more of the specific needs of the Angolan people. The following four principles will guide us as we approach the work in Angola.



### Mentoring Model of Ministry

In whatever aspect of ministry we might be involved we realize that our role will be both as mentors and as students. As we plant churches we will be mentoring others in church planting while they teach us about Angolan culture and context. We want to work alongside Angolan Christians like our friend Charles Kambungo (guy on the right) who found Christ through the ministry of Christians in Zambia and will be an integral part of our mission team.

### Holistic Work of the Church

We believe that holistic ministries should be the work of the local church and not necessarily of the missionary. Instead the missionary should be preparing, equipping and assisting the church in holistic ministries. Angola has many needs including better medical care, education, and economic solutions. We will challenge the Angolan church to use their resources for the benefit of their communities so that their witness to the Gospel may grow.



### Nationwide Church-Planting Movement

Though we know that we cannot reach all of Angola directly, our prayer is that our work will be part of a nation-wide strategy for the spread of the Kingdom in Angola. Tribal distinctions and linguistic barriers have eroded within Angola. A church-planting movement need not be limited by one people group or geographic area. The common language of Portuguese and national consciousness should assist us as we help Angolans cross cultural and geographic boundaries for the Gospel.

### Partnering in the Kingdom

Our hope is to build bridges between churches in Angola, other African nations, America, and Brazil in order to facilitate a comprehensive approach to evangelizing Angola. As we build bridges between Angolan churches and churches around the world, we envision trained personnel from around the world coming and using their skills to benefit the Angolan church (e.g., a carpenter conducting training workshops or a doctor providing medical care).



### Huambo

Since Angola is predominantly urban, we have decided to base our work in the city of Huambo. Huambo is a city of more than 250,000 people located in the center of the nation. We believe that Huambo is the location that will best allow us to begin a ministry that embodies these principles. In addition, we know of no missionaries currently working in Huambo.

**The Angola Mission Team**

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