

Prayer Requests:

- For good connections at upcoming Missions fests
- For physical and spiritual safety for eMi teams and for the financial resources for eMi team members who are participating in project trips
- For God to call individuals for full-time staff at eMi Canada

Praise Items:

- For an engaged board of trustees and positive directions at the recent board meeting

Office Needs:

Donations towards

- Multi-media projector
- Laptop computer
- 11x17 laser printer

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eMi in Disaster Relief

Generally speaking, eMi sends teams to areas of the world that are relatively stable. It makes sense—if you're doing master planning and design, the area has to be stable enough that the ministry can actually get around to building what has been designed. But more recently, eMi has ventured into another area . . . the area of disaster response.

Two Canadians, John Wilder & Patrick Cochrane, took some disaster response training and added their names to the eMi disaster response database (coordinated out of Colorado Springs). In January, they were called to go. Within days, tickets were booked, and John & Patrick were on their way to the eastern regions of D.R. Congo to join Samaritan's Purse in its disaster relief effort to the Internally Displaced People (IDP) camps near Goma. John & Patrick formed part of the Water/Sanitation Team, testing water quality, building more latrines to stop the spread of cholera (when they arrived, there were only 12 latrine stalls for about 7000 displaced people in one of the camps), expanding an existing water distribution site to a new, more centralized location, in general, improving water and sanitation at the IDP camps.

Both John & Patrick have been on many eMi trips before, but the poverty here was beyond anything they'd ever seen. As Patrick says, "Training can't fully prepare you for your response to the human suffering and immense needs that can exist in a disaster situation." eMi Disaster Response Team members are a visible sign of hope in a desperate situation. Interested in becoming part of eMi's disaster response work? See emicanada.org/disasterresponse.shtm



John & Patrick take water samples

eMiC Upcoming Project Trips

Uganda (Kampala) - [Connect Africa Ministry Centre](#) - February 6-17, 2009

Haiti (Gressier) - [Haiti Children's Rescue Mission Village](#) - February 13-22, 2009

Ethiopia (Addis Ababa) - [Hope Ethiopia Community Development](#) - Feb 26-Mar 9, 2009

Cambodia (Phnom Penh) - [Place of Rescue Transition House](#) - May 2009

Trips to **South Sudan** and **Ethiopia** are also being confirmed for May/June 2009. For information or to volunteer please visit emicanada.org/projects.shtm

Missions in the Spotlight

Missions fests across the country will be putting the spotlight on various missions organizations around the world in the coming months and eMi will be there. Join us at [Missions Fest Vancouver](#) in January, [Missions Fest Alberta](#) (in Edmonton) in February or [Missionfest Toronto](#) in April. We'll be reconnecting with friends and supporters, recruiting new volunteers, and sharing our vision with other missions organizations that could use our services.



An intern shares about eMi at Missions Fest

eMi has also participated in smaller-scale mission conferences—generally in the Calgary area, but occasionally further afield (we were in Edmonton, Alberta in November and we'll be in Fort St. John, BC for MissionVision in March). If your church or community is hosting a missions-emphasis event, we'd love to be invited or to provide you with information to share. Contact us at info@emicanada.org.

Pray with Us

As eMi Canada continues to grow, the need for more staff is becoming evident. Pray with us for God to call individuals to take this step into full-time faith-supported ministry. The Canadian office has a specific need for a structural engineer, as well as for a technical draftsman (perhaps with some IT skills as well). Could God be calling you? Contact us about the opportunities available.