Collection Summary

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Abstract: This collection consists of newsletters from the organization. Photographs of the community can be found at: http://digitalarchives.usi.edu/digital/collection/CSIC/search/searchterm/Jubilee%20Partners

Selected Search Terms

Subjects: Communal living; Collective settlements; Housing, Cooperative; Collective farms; Commune; Christian life; Christian ethics; Christian stewardship; Refugees

Historical Notes: Three years after launching Habitat for Humanity, a small group of people at Koinonia Farm in Americus, Georgia sought to form a new Christian service community. Jubilee Partners was founded in 1979 on 258 acres of beautiful rural land in northeast Georgia. The first Jubilee families lived in tents as they worked on constructing houses. During their first hot, humid months of living and working outdoors without modern conveniences, they got a glimpse of the realities of refugees struggling to survive far worse situations. As a result, God gave the first Jubilee residents a vision to offer hospitality for such people, work that continues to this day. Our primary ministry is offering hospitality to refugees who have newly arrived in the U.S. Our foundational ministry is the Refugee Program, through which we have hosted over 3,000 refugees from more than 30 war-torn countries around the world. Our work with refugees has led to other programs such as the Walk In Peace campaign, in which we work with many Nicaraguans who are trying to help war victims and rebuild their country. In our Latin American Visitor Program we host Central and South American church workers at Jubilee. They have a chance to study English, speak in churches and to other groups here, and return home better prepared to be bridges of understanding. In the fall of 2007, we welcomed our first Middle Eastern Seminar participant, a Coptic Christian from Egypt here on a similar program. We welcome invitations for these people to come speak. Jubilee has a staff of about 30 adults and 12 children. Most of the adults are long-term staff, with a commitment of a year or more, and for whom this is a year-round home. The rest are seasonal "volunteers," who may live and work at Jubilee anywhere from three months to a year. In addition, there may be up to 20 or 25 refugees from Burma, Africa, or other war-torn areas. And finally, there is a steady stream of visitors from near and far, several hundred a year. http://www.jubileepartners.org/

Administrative Information

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