



## Jobs for ex-prisoners

A father and son from Stratford, Ontario, have reached across the world in a project that is profoundly influencing the lives of 150 ex-prisoners and their families in Zambia.

**Mark Schroeder (C 96)**, a volunteer with Mennonite Central Committee, was seconded to Prison Fellowship three years ago. His challenge was to create jobs for ex-prisoners in a country with a high unemployment rate.

Mark's father, George Schroeder, past president of the Stratford Rotary Club, helped his son form a partnership with a Rotary Club in Zambia. Both clubs provided funds for a loan program. The Canadian International Development Agency and Rotary Club International both provided matching funds.

The loan program helps ex-prisoners start small-scale businesses. Applicants for the loans must attend eight weeks of training to develop business skills. Mark, who majored in business administration at EMU, taught classes in marketing, accounting and writing business plans.

Mark returned from Zambia last June and now works with a non-profit business development company in Lexington, Ky., the home of his new wife, Judy Nichols, whom he met in Zambia.

**Elaine Froese (C 01)** teaches 8th-grade English at Annandale School in Ontario.

### Oasis of Love

Religious riots that swept the city of Jos, Nigeria, last September left hundreds dead and thousands of buildings destroyed. But in a neighborhood where several Mennonite Central Committee workers live, Christians and Muslims stood together for peace. They were able to create "an oasis of love," said **Gopar Tapkida (G 01)**. Not one person died and no property was destroyed in their lower-middle-class community of 15,000 people. MCC helped community leaders create a plan for nonviolent resistance to rioters from outside the neighborhood.

**John Guengerich (C 01)** teaches fifth grade at Plains Elementary School, Timberville, Va.

**Jill Hostetter (C 01)** teaches English for grades 9-12 at Broadway (Va.) High School.

**Sheri Krieder (C 01)** is a resource person at Elkton (Va.) Elementary School.

**Melissa Shirkey (C 01)** teaches first grade at Linville-Edom (Va.) Elementary School.

**Ann Sponaugle (C 01)** teaches at Clymore Elementary School in Augusta County, Va. She works with learning disabilities.

**Jessica Yancey (C 01)** teaches at Peter Muhlenburg Middle School, Woodstock, Va., serving students with learning disabilities.

**Jennifer Yates (C 01)** teaches first grade at Hartville (Ohio) Elementary School.

**Moises Augustia (C 01)**, Brooklyn, N.Y., works as a foster-care caseworker at a private agency called St. Christopher Otilie.

**Dustin Blyer (C 01)** is a graphic artist at the Harrisonburg *Daily News Record*.

## Marriages

**Lois Martin Walter (C 70)** to David Greene, Oct. 20, 2001.

**Mark Deavers (C 89)** to **Laurie Miller (C 98)**, Sept. 1, 2001.

**Darin Benner (C 91)** to Maribeth Longacre, Mar. 24, 2001.

**Rosalinde Hinz (C 94)** to Matthew Nargi, June 23, 2001.

**Chanda Helsley (C 96)** to **Ronald Barkdoll Jr. (C 98)**, Oct. 20, 2001.

**Bob Brenneman (C 97)** to América Gabriela Ochoa Urizar, Dec. 29, 2001.

**Laurie Finkbiner (C 98)** to David Belote, Oct. 27, 2001.

**Joanna Yoder (C 98)** to Chad Heatwole, Nov. 24, 2001.

**Janine Ericksen (C 00)** to **David Arnold (C 01)**, June 30, 2001.

**Carl Kauffman (C 00)** to **Kristin Yoder (C 01)**, July 7, 2001.

**Nathan Frey (C 01)** to **Vania Moskal (C 02)**, Dec. 29, 2001.

**Erika Newland (C 01)** to Doug Richman, May 19, 2001.

**Nelson Okanya (S 01)** to **Jessica Lawrence (C 01)**, Dec. 15, 2001.

**Margaret Reinhold (C 01)** to Wesley Furr, July 14, 2001.

**Sara Troyer (C 01)** to **Eric Kratz (C 02)**, Dec. 15, 2001.

## Births

**Carole Roth (C 82)** and Alan **Giagnocavo**, Manheim, Pa., Alexander Isaac, born Dec. 17, 1997, adopted Mar. 13, 1998, and Hannah Rachel, born July 1, 2000, adopted Nov. 23, 2000.

**John (C 82)** and Jill Schloneger **Landes**, Ottsville, Pa., Dane Thomas, born Jan. 24, 2000; adopted Nov. 16, 2001.

**Sue Knight (C 83)** and David **Roscoe**, Chesapeake, Va., Alexander Douglas, Oct. 31, 2001.

**Margaret Miller (C 85)** and Don **Williams**, Elizabethtown, Pa., Winston Samuel, Nov. 15, 2001.

**David (C 86)** and **Lori Gross (C 86) Bergey**, Perkasie, Pa., Andrew David, Nov. 2, 2001.

**Cindy Lapp (C 86)** and Eric Stoltzfus, Mt. Ranier, Md., Elijah Beau Lapp, Dec. 19, 2001.

**Lyla Johnson (C 87)** and Kim **Kornhaus**, Fredricksburg, Ohio, Kara Janae, Joel Aaron and Jared Andrew (deceased), Dec. 21, 2001.

**Dawn Eberly (C 89)** and David **Wampler**, Bowie, Md., Sarah Anne, July 19, 2001.

**Kristina Martin (C 89)** and **Andrew (C 90) Grove**, Poolesville, Md., Blair Nicole, Apr. 27, 2001.

**Kendra Martin (C 90)** and Brent **Stains**, Chambersburg, Pa., Courtney Marie, Nov. 5, 2001.

**Mary Beth Reitz (C 90)** and Bill **Tysinger**, McGaheysville, Va., Emma Grace, Dec. 1, 2001.

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