

# Missionaries for October 2010 Missionary Tour

## Steve & Berna Profitt from “The Potter’s House”

### Potter’s House....A Brief History!

In 1999 the idea of a “coffee house” ministry at Missouri State University (then SMSU) began in the hearts and minds of Steve and Berna Profitt.

After 20 years of ministry Steve and Berna felt a call to spend the next chapter of their lives as missionaries, assuming that would mean leaving the community they had come to love. As God’s plan began to unfold it became very apparent that the “mission field” they were called to was not “over there”, but “right here”. With more than 30,000 college students here in Springfield, and more than 600 international students, representing more than 80 foreign countries the doors opened for Steve and Berna to begin The Potter’s House.

Sponsored by The Joplin District Church of the Nazarene, The Potter’s House officially opened the doors in November, 2001. What began with about 20 college students meeting weekly in their home, Potter’s House has grown to more than 600 students walking through the doors of Potter’s House every week.

Students from all across the USA, and around the world looking for a place to meet friends, make new friends, have some great coffee and smoothies, and occasionally study have found a “home away from home” at Potter’s House.



The Potter’s House exists to advance Christian influence on the university campus by introducing and reconciling students to Jesus Christ. To accomplish this purpose, it is our desire to build relationships with students, disciple them in their spiritual growth, equip them for ministry and then to send them around the world with the message of hope in Christ, to every ethnicity and culture.