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"Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen." Ephesians 3.20-21 NIV

Cherished Prayer Partners,

The fulfillment of those verses is how the Lord himself answered your prayers for the El Salvadoran mission in August. There were around 350 pastors, leaders, and wives who attended the three seminars in Chinameca (2 days); Guazapa (2 days); and Usulutan (3 days). We gave out 240 Bibles in Spanish. In Guazapa after the seminar finished and we had given out the Bibles, four cooks who were members of the church where we held the seminar came up to us and said they did not have a Bible so we gave them one each and they left praising the Lord!

DONT MISS THE URGENT PRAYER REQUEST ON THE LAST PAGE!!!



BIBLE SEMINAR HIGHLIGHTS

I Corinthians 13.1 says, "If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal." The Lord reminds us of this verse constantly as we are with His precious servants. Each day we hug and greet with Gods love those who attend. Both men and women are treated equally. As Deanna greeted one young woman she had a big tear on her cheek. Of course, that greeting was followed with a brief private counseling session and prayer. Also, one pastors wife broke down while eating lunch with us. The pain was so great that she could bear it no more—for 2 years she and her pastor husband had been separated while living in the same house. God surely sent us to the right place.



SOME PHRASE SHOTS!

- One young pastor who could not sit because of polio stood two days leaning on a homemade walker to get the Bible teaching.
- One pastor's wife prayed she would get the plastic gold crown (used as an illustration of Proverbs 12.4) and of all the ones there she was picked.
- Leaving late from one seminar we traveled after dark and were deterred because of a road block. The next day we heard that a gang had shot automatic weapons into the traffic on the road killing 7 people and injuring 14 others. Thank God we were late!
- Lying in your bed and having 4 minor earthquakes within 1 hour.
- Having the whole country on alert because San Miguel volcano began smoking and rumbling while we were teaching at its base.

Guazapa was the city where our coordinator, Pastor Ed Nerio, leads First Baptist Church. The pastors of the area had never cooperated to attend a meeting like this one but we had around 92. <u>Thank</u> <u>you for praying for a spirit of unity</u>. The Sunday we spoke in Ed's church 6 people accepted Christ as Savior and about 20 proclaimed cleansing and renewed fellowship with the Lord!

In Usulutan they videoed the 3 day seminar and edited it so the pastors could purchase a DVD to use to help them teach. Also, Pastor Alfredo Lunabozo is now using the DVD for his weekly television program. Praise God that His Word is multiplying in this way. Also, many of the pastors who attended the seminars made copies of the power points on a flash drive so they could teach in their churches.

God answered your prayers for strength in amazing ways. We taught 8 out of 10 days including 5 straight days. It was hot and humid but our strength and stamina was nothing short of a daily miracle. Ed Nerio interpreted everything we both taught for all those days and none of us had one voice problem. We knew you were praying! We gave about 100 pairs of reading glasses and they were so grateful. They loved the ties, scarves, and good Christian books in Spanish.



EAST ASIA COMING UP FASTER THAN EXPECTED!!

For some time now the Lord has been impressing us to go to Southeast Asia and we have been waiting for the Lords timing. While we were in El Salvador, Dr. Ron Herrod (Ron Herrod Evangelistic Ministerial Association) invited us to join him to teach our basic seminar at their pastoral seminary and also the next week teaching in two other locations. After praying and checking out the visa process we decided to include this on the front of the East Asia work already planned. One complication was a week between the two so we decided to take a weeks vacation which goes well with our going to East Asia as tourists. We plan on working on getting our teaching notes in reproducible order during that week. <u>We will use our own expenses and not the ministries for this week</u>. The country was just placed on national warning for travelers so prayer is necessary. Because it is primarily a Hindu country we must be discrete in all our mission. For this reason we cannot give names or places but we can inform you the nature of our work and travel times.

The time difference between here and where we will be is 10 hours ahead of our time. Because of the delicate nature of this work we ask you to claim these verses with us: *Psalm* 91.14 "Because he loves me," says the Lord, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name." Also claim these theme verses for our teaching, *Psalm* 22. 27-28 "All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations will bow down before Him, for dominion belongs to the Lord and He rules over the nations."

This has been a long and different prayer letter but <u>we cannot stress enough how important</u> <u>your prayer is to this mission</u>. Pray day and night, pray at all times—that God would supernaturally transform lives and send forth His Divine Word with life changing power that will spread into the darkest corners of this world for His Glory alone!

We praise God for the opportunity to serve know Him and serve Him. "We live by faith, not by sight." 2 Corinthians 5.7. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your faithful prayer and support. Together we serve a GREAT AND MIGHTY GOD!

| | MINTOR Schedule |
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| 9/17-Fri. | Leave Oklahoma City for Southeast Asia |
| 9/19-Sun. | Arrive in Southeast Asia (cross international date line) |
| 9/20-Mon.—9/22-Wed. | Teach Basic Bible Seminar at Seminary Pray for our jet lag and cultural adjustment. Phil 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." |
| 9/26-Sun. | Travel by air to city #2. |
| 9/27-Mon.—9/28 Thurs. | Teach, preach, etc. |
| 9/28-Thurs. | Travel to city #3. Teach, preach, etc. I Cor. 10:31 "So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God." |
| 10/1-Fri.—10/8 Fri. | Begin our week off, however please pray for us as we use this time to work on rewriting our teaching notes so they can also be printed and given out. |
| 10/8-Fri.—10/10-Sun. | Travel by air to East Asia. We have one night stop over before we reach our destination. |
| 10/11-Mon.—10/16-Sat. | Teach in City #1 in East Asia. We will be teaching in 2 or 3 different locations. |
| 10/17-Sun. | Travel by air to City #2 where we will be teaching. |
| 10/21-Thurs.—10/30-Sat. | We will be teaching in City#2, #3 and City #4. |
| 11/1-Mon—11/2-Tues. | Fly back to Oklahoma City. |

Prayer Requests

- Φ Pray for protection for the people attending the teaching and for us.
- Pray for good interpreters and for the materials.
- In East Asia we will not be able to use power point presentations and many of the normal visual illustrations so pray for clear teaching and comprehension for those attending. As Jesus often said, "He who has ears, let him hear." (pray they will have spiritual understanding).
- Pray for the Bible distribution in all cities. Hebrews 4.12
- \clubsuit Pray also for opportunities to share the gospel at all times.
- Pray for our health, physical strength, and stamina to serve Him in an excellent way pleasing to Him. Psm. 19:14 & Romans 15:17 says, "Therefore I glory in Christ Jesus in my service to God."