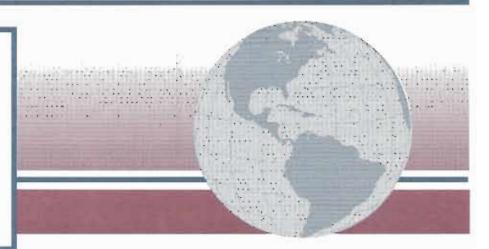
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Good Samaritan High School Chapel Service

Dear Friends and Co-Laborers in Christ,

It's been a busy and exciting time for us since our last newsletter. The groups have continued to visit us and everyone has been a special blessing. We try and space the groups with a few days in between so we can keep up with our work but sometimes we do have back to back groups.

In our last letter, we told you about the group of doctors and dentists who came to see us. We were hoping that another group would come next year but, much to our surprise, we received a call that a group wanted to come in just two weeks after the other group had left. This group spent three days at our grammar school in Honduras and two days in Palacaquina, Nicaragua. This was the first time a medical group had ever visited this place. Needless to say, there was much excitement as hundreds lined up to see these doctors. Our pastors in Nicaragua and the Bible Institute students counseled with every person and I believe there were more than 200 professions of faith in Christ.

Our new church in San Lorenzo has been finished and a special service of dedication was held with standing room only. This is such a beautiful church building. Also, the construction of the Filadelphia Baptist Church in El Carmen, Azacualpa, was completed and a special dedication service was held on a Saturday morning. The church was filled and people were looking in the windows for this special service. Special recognition was given to three members of the Philadelphia Baptist Church in Calhoun, Georgia, who were present ... Bro. A.D. and Sis. Bea Bowman and Joseph Gramling. The third church dedicated recently is the church in the city of Danli, Honduras. What a beautiful church this is and in a great location in the city. Bob preached the dedication service ... his first full-length message in a long time. About 35 of our national preachers were present for this occasion and several times they applauded during Bob's message. This church has several saved men who have already given their lives to full-time service for the Lord.

Our churches are usually started in the home of a person who gets save. Then as more people come, they have to move into the yard to have enough room. Then it never fails ... God touches the hearts of a family, an individual or a church, to provide a church building for the people ... and so it has been over the years. Both the church in San Lorenzo and in El Carmen were meeting in the yard when God touched the hearts of people to help them. These dear people give tithes of what they earn ... some don't earn anything because their jobs are in the fields. When there are no crops, there is no money. They help their pastors - some with money when the people have paying jobs. The farmers give food from their harvests when there is a harvest. There is very little left to build a church. The banks do not lend money to a church so God touches the hearts of His people in the United States to help them. Do the People Love Their Church? You Bet They do. We listened to one of the men from Danli, on the day of the dedication, challenge the people to keep God's House clean, take care of it and never defile it. It was a moving speech by this new Christian man.

We also dedicated a new lunchroom building in Tapaire. We were burdened to build a kitchen here several months ago and so it has been built. We wish we could say there are 100 children eating in this lunchroom but we can't say that yet. There is so much hunger in Honduras right now - there has been no harvest time in southern Honduras this year because there has been no rain. All our other kitchens are filled and we can't close any of these or take any of these children out of the kitchen to feed the children in Tapaire. So we wait for the funds to come in to be able to start registering children in this place. Remember, it takes only \$10.00 a month to feed a hungry child. We need \$1000.00 support each month to feed 100 children every day in Tapaire.

We also had the great opportunity of visiting one of our churches in La Trinidad, Honduras, where this year a Christian school was started with 187 students. You cannot imagine how we felt seeing smiles on the faces of all these little children dressed in their school uniform. They put on their very first program for the North American visitors and the Tyson family. Brother Doyle Gunter, a dear, dear friend of ours, who has been diagnosed with cancer, is seeing to it that these children have a large, brand-new church building in which to grow up and worship the Lord. The old church was packed at 10:00 in the morning but, before long, they will have a beautiful new church. *Please pray for Brother Doyle*. He has been a friend of Good Samaritan Baptist Missions for many years. He and Margaret, his lovely wife, love

the Spanish people and have proven their love by providing many beautiful church buildings for them over the years. Now, Brother Doyle is sick but he continues to give out of a heart of love. He needs our prayers.

During the month of July, Joan had the privilege of attending the National Sword of the Lord Conference in Walkertown, NC, where our new book *Sleeping Spiders, Green Grapefruits and Empty Cages* was introduced in public for the first time. Also, a book signing was held during the conference. We are so grateful to Dr. Tom Wallace who gave such a great recommendation for the book, challenging every pastor there to buy at least 10 of these books. He told about personally giving them as counseling books for people who had problems or people who are down and out. He also suggested giving them to people in the hospitals, etc., etc. However, the most touching part for me was when he told the story of Bill Will Garner from Sherwood, Tennessee. He was the old moonshiner who was saved and gave it all up for the Lord. God began to provide for Bill Will through train wrecks that spilled boxcar loads of shelled corn in his front yard. Then the Railroad gave him a job guarding the corn in his own yard. I couldn't hold back the tears as I thought of our days in Sherwood and thinking about our friend, Bill Will, and how God is using his faithfulness to bless many people. On Wednesday, when it came time for the book signing, there were no more books left. All the books the Sword of the Lord had brought with them had already been sold. We had only one box with us; these were quickly sold and many people went away without a book. We were told this was the first time this had every happened at their book signing. We never dreamed the book would be received as it has and we give the Lord all the Honor and the Glory.

One week after returning to Honduras after the Sword Conference, we received word that Joan's only living brother, Glenn, who lived in Coco, Florida, had gone home to be with the Lord. He just went to sleep on a Monday night and woke up in Heaven. What a wonderful way for the Lord to take us home. It has been sad for Joan because she is the only one of her family left ... but it makes Heaven a little closer and a little dearer to have all her family there waiting.

The government of Honduras has granted our Radio Network a permit to increase the power on the high mountain of Banaderas, Honduras - from 500 to 5,000 watts - something that no other secular nor Christian station has. This is a MIRACLE. Predictions are that we will enter Guatamala with this new power. Work is going on now with new power lines, building a house for the new transmitter, etc., etc. Stevie, our son, needs help on this project. He has the faith that God will supply every need. How refreshing it is to us to see Stevie's faith and his love for this radio ministry. Only God knows how many hearts have already been touched and how many have been saved through these six stations. Please Consider Samaritan Radio for Monthly Support. Just the electricity bills alone are tremendous; then there are the round-the-clock guards for each tower, all the workers, and so many other expenses. There has never been a greater way to reach the masses in Honduras, Nicaragua, El Salvador and, now possibly, in Guatamala than through these stations where the Gospel is going out through preaching and singing eighteen hours a day.

In closing, we say thank you for helping us with the construction of the tabernacle in Comali, Honduras. When we left Honduras two weeks ago, they were waiting on the material to put on the roof. We still have a long way to go, but God has provided everything we have needed so far and He has done it week by week. We have dedicated the profit from the book sales to this project. Therefore many, many of you are going to have a part in this building where many national preachers will be taught and trained, and many conferences and revival meetings will be held. We believe many will order books to give away for Christmas presents, or as Dr. Wallace recommended, give these books to people who are sick or depressed. Our desire is that people will read it and have more faith to do something for the Lord.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for not only being our supporters but our friends. May the Lord bless everyone of you.

Love in Christ,

Bob and Joan Tyson



Medical Groups

The Medical Group met for Prayer and Devotional before leaving for work.



First, the sick had to register and get their number at our Children's Kitchen.

Many came as early as 4:00am.



Many waited in front of the grammar school where doctors were already working with one group and another group was already inside being evangelized by many preachers and workers.



Their bus was equipped with a modern laboratory and a small operating room where minor surgeries are performed.

Church Dedications

This church began in June 1998 in the home of the only saved man in the village, who opened up his home after receiving the Lord in the church of Azacualpa. Later as people were saved, services were held in the yard.

The Philadelphia Baptist
Church in Calhoun, GA has
made it possible for this
congregation to have their own
church. Bro. A.D. and Bea
Bowman received this plaque
on Dedication Day.

The church was filled with people for this very special occasion.

Pictured are some members of El Carmen who dedicated their lives to serve the Lord and win their friends and neighbors to Christ.

Filadephia Baptist Church

"A light in a community that was completely in darkness."











More Church Dedications

Good Samaritan Baptist
Danli, Honduras
People received the Lord
listening to Samaritan Radio
and they asked for a Pastor to
come. First, they met in a small
house and now a beautiful
church building is dedicated.

Bob Tyson preached the dedication service...his first full-length message in Spanish since he became ill.



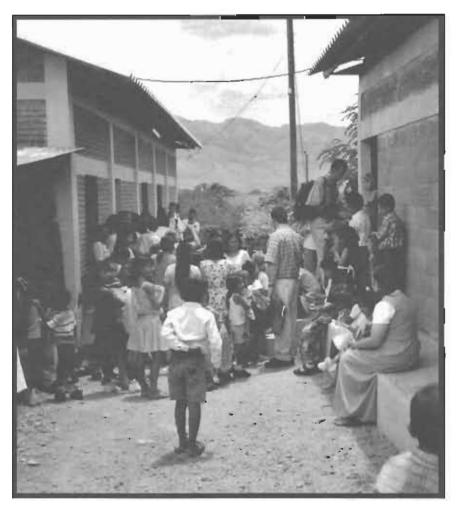


A plaque on the wall shows the appreciation of the congregation to James & Ruth Ishee, Roy & Elaine Crider and the missionaries for making it possible for them to have their very own house of worship.

New Jerusalem Baptist Church Tapaire, Honduras

All crops have failed because of no rain. Only God knows how these people are able to live.
When we asked this question, a man answered, "God feeds the children - we grown-ups make out the best we can."





The building on the right in this picture is the new Feed the Hungry Kitchen built behind the church but as yet, no children are eating because we have no funds. Ten dollars a month will feed a child.

We need to feed at least 100 children in this place.

Caire, Honduras

This used to be their only meeting place. Now a beautiful church is almost finished. We need a floor and a few other things here. We also have a Feed the Hungry Kitchen here.



Caire Church Serving 6 Communities



El Triunfo, Honduras

This is a beautiful church with a feeding center in the rear. The children are taught to plant flowers & make God's House the prettiest place in town.



Some churches cannot be visited when there is a lot of rain because of the rivers to cross. Such is the case of Mt. Horeb Baptist in El Naranjal. What a wonderful job Bro. Ronmel Gomez is doing in this place.





Pictured is Bro. Ronmel and his soon-to-be bride. What joy to see these young people working together in God's Work, getting married and setting examples for others. In 1983 this church was started under a tree; no one was married. Our pastor, Bro. Ramon Aguirre, was saved in this village. Later he and his common-law wife were married; the first wedding in this place. Salvation makes the difference.

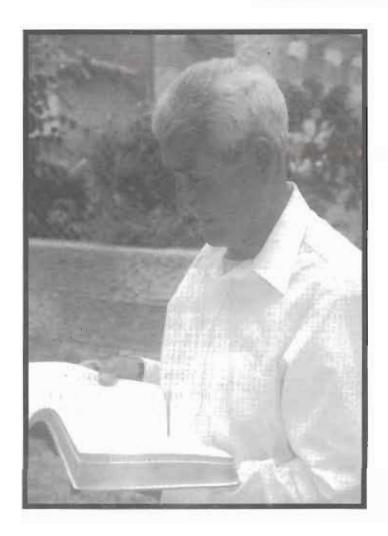
Mt. Zion Baptist Church El Corpus, Honduras

This is another hard place to reach in the rainy season.

This is a beautiful place high in the mountains. Pastor Manuel Chavarria and his wife are doing a great work for the Lord here.



Feed the Elderly Program





A few days ago when we asked, "How many are not saved?", the director answered, "They're all saved now." What a blessing this Elderly Kitchen is!

Above, this gentleman has received his very own Bible. He may not be able to read it but someone can and it's his very own ... the Precious Word of God.

Someone brought all the elderly a cap and this lady shows how proud she is to have her cap.



Book Signing

Sword of the Lord Conference Walkertown.NC



Never did we think God would bless this book as He has. Here we've sold out of books at the Sword of the Lord Conference where the book was introduced for the first time. We urge you to order your book now for Christmas gifts or to give to a friend who needs encouragement. Use the order blank below and order early for Christmas.

Sleeping Spiders, Green Grapefruits & Empty Cages

Author: Joan Tyson

Read the exciting and heart rendering experiences of Bob and Joan Tyson, sent on a mission by God. Learn how it all began; stories of the miracles, the blessings, and the heartaches... A Mission Impossible for man but made possible by

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