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Dear Friends and Co-Laborers,

I have to apologize again for this newsletter being so late. We were in the U.S. for two and a half months visiting churches with Stephany and Eliut singing. Philip, my son, had 18 meetings booked for us, then Stephany and I stayed on a couple of weeks longer where I had the blessing of speaking in two ladies retreats and in the Floyd Road Baptist Church on Sunday night before we flew out on Tuesday.

Two very wonderful people, Dr. David and Dr. Susan Anderson, visited us in the summer along with a group from Yellow River Baptist Church. They invited the whole Tyson family to be their "special guests" at their dental clinic while we were in the states. Two full days of dental work were spent on Philip Jr, Michael and me. Three days were spent on Stephany. They were doing fillings, caps, root canals – you name it, they did it! Isn't it wonderful how just all of a sudden God can bring people into your lives that you would never imagine? These are two of the most special people I have ever met... I am deathly afraid of a dentist but I never felt the first pain and I just about went to sleep in the massage chair that I sat in while Susan worked on my teeth. Unbelievable!!! I would recommend these people to anyone living near the Duluth, Georgia area. Susan makes her own crowns so there was no need for temporary crowns until permanent ones could be made. Thank you again and again, David and Susan, for your love shown to the Tyson family.

Two weeks ago, we arrived back in Honduras to a mountain of work but, again we arrived thanking the Lord for the opportunity to still serve Him. Everyone wanted to visit me and my days have been filled with trying to get paper work done, letters written and every few minutes talking with a pastor or someone coming unexpectedly to see me. People here make no appointments; they don't even call to tell you they are coming. Some come for a special reason, others just come to talk. No one is ever in a hurry so through the years I have had to learn to be patient. I think it was this way when Jesus was here on this earth. I think He had time for people and that He took time to listen to what they had to say. Sometimes they just need someone to talk to. A pastor and his wife left their home way back in Nicaragua at 4:00 am in the morning to visit me and I just thought, "How did they know I would even be here? How did they know I didn't have something else to do or somewhere to go?" But that's the way life is here.

For those who have not heard, while we were in the states, our high school principal, Elma Herrera, was in a very bad car accident. For weeks her face was so badly injured that she was unrecognizable. Once again thousands went to prayer here and **God has performed a miracle**. It will be a while before she will be able to work but she is a living miracle and giving the Lord all the honor and glory for what He has done in her life. I personally want to thank every person who has helped with all the expenses. The town of San Marcos and our high school had a marathon, which brought in the most money anyone has ever raised for any cause here in San Marcos.

Also while we were in the states, the rains came hard here in Honduras and for eleven days it rained. Roads and bridges were washed out and some of the places where we have churches were cut off, leaving people with no food and no work. Again, you responded and we were able to take in hundreds of food bags to these places. ***May God so richly bless you for your generous hearts.***

A few days after our return to Honduras, a dental group came in and worked in the village of Duyure, Honduras. They set up in our church and hundreds of people came down from the mountains to be able to get work done. When Dr. Bill Sasser and his people left last Friday, they were TIRED. They had traveled by school bus every day on this long, mountainous road and treated hundreds of people. *Isn't it something how*

God uses people in every walk of life to be a blessing to others? I would imagine that some of these people had never been able to see a dentist. Some walked for 3 and ½ hours to get to the clinic set up in our church. This will be a very busy week as our graduations begin tomorrow night. One hundred and fourteen will be graduating from the sixth grade plus 69 from our high school here in San Marcos. There will also be graduations from our two schools in Nicaragua. Hundreds of people will be present for these graduations, which are so special here. We have invited Missionary Richard Comer to preach in the graduation exercises. There will be many lost people attending these very special events, a great opportunity for the Gospel to be preached.

Every year our sixth graders here in San Marcos, along with their parents, leave a remembrance to our school. On Friday night, Stephany and I attended a banquet where this remembrance was to be dedicated (*everything here is dedicated to the Lord when it is finished*). The mayor of San Marcos who has his children in our school was in attendance and he helped a lot on a beautiful mural showing every activity of our school. It is absolutely beautiful....This is on the wall in front of the school. ***I am always amazed at the talent these people have here.***

Samaritan Radio is also another miracle from God. I often think that this ministry would be a complete ministry for several missions or missionaries but God has Steve Tyson and some dedicated national workers in Tegucigalpa running all of this. Mario Sanchez, a pastor and our driver for the groups, whom many of you know, has a son who just graduated from the University in Tegucigalpa and is now working for the radio. *Thank the Lord for the second and third generation that is now taking their place in Good Samaritan Missions.*

RADIO REPORT for January 1, 2011 – September 30, 2011

Phone Calls	134,400	Salvations	3,110
Text Messages	120,000	Rededications	894

Please, please pray for this ministry. Stevie said in a recent letter: “Every morning when our radio network opens at 5 am, our spiritual battle begins. Satan begins to attack, it seems immediately. Just recently 3 of our stations were struck by lightning. But, at the same time, the blessings start to pour in. There is not a day that goes by that we do not receive reports of salvations through the radio. The testimonies are countless and we wish we could share them all with you. This is why at the end of each year, our annual reports are so important to us because it gives us an idea of just how many souls are being touched and saved through this wonderful ministry that God had entrusted to our family.” *Please, please pray for the radio ministry and if you have any extra support to give, this is a ministry well worth supporting.*

REPORTS FROM THE CHURCHES for August 1, 2011 – October 31, 2011

HONDURAS	SAVED 841	BAPTIZED 83
NICARAGUA	SAVED 492	BAPTIZED 126
COSTA RICA	SAVED 25	BAPTIZED 3
TOTAL	SAVED 1,358	BAPTIZED 212

Thank you for reading this long letter and thank you for forgiving me for being so late. **There is A LOT going on here.** We are all busy for the Lord and trying to keep expenses down so that we don't have to hire more workers. *We have all suffered the loss of monthly support and a lot of children have lost their support to go to school and eat their meal every day which makes it doubly hard on me to say you can't go to school any more or you can't eat any more.* **This is God's work and He is Faithful to provide.** Please pray that He will continue to give me good health and strength to serve Him until He comes or until He calls me home.

Love in Christ,
Joan Tyson and Family