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OUR MEXICO MISSIONARY TO BE AT MID-YEAR GATHERING

Jorge Reyes and his wife, Maria Elena, will be with us at the mid-year gathering and will be present at the scheduled workshop for the Mexico Missions to answer questions and meet with those interested. They will also be with us through Friday night, April 15 and will be visiting with several of our meetings. Their schedule is as follows:

Sunday Morning, April 10	Rocky River Meeting	Western Quarter
Monday Night, April 11	Goldsboro Meeting	Contentnea Quarter @ 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday Night, April 12	Archdale Meeting	Deep River Quarter @ 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night, April 13	Spring Garden Meeting	New Garden Quarter @ 7:00 p.m.
Friday Night, April 15	Trinity Meeting	Yadkin Quarter @ 7:00 p.m.

Anyone would be welcome at any of these meetings. If the meeting in your quarter is on a night when you cannot go or another meeting is being held closer, feel free to attend out of your quarter—but attend if you possibly can.

Remember that our Mexico Mission is NOT an FUM Mission and is supported entirely by NCYM and the more concern, interest, encouragement, prayer, and support we contribute, the more blessings we will receive. The Missions Committee thanks you for your continued prayers and support.

Grace to all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with an undying love.
Ephesians 6:24

NEWS FROM THE PHILIPPINES

As a way to offer students at Faith Bible College a safe place for Christian fellowship, Karl and Peggy have decided to have “game nights” at their home. One such night was a post-valentine’s party with more than 50 people on their terrace sharing homemade pizza and lasagna. Peggy says, “College students are the same the world over....always hungry and love pizza!”

A big weekend for Faith Bible College is the last weekend each year in February. This year on Saturday, February 26, the college was visited by 82 prospective students from various denominations. There was a time of praise and worship, a report of the college, its goals, purposes, and even some

“mock” classes taken from actual lectures so the visitors could experience what the school is like.

A young couple from Canada who are prospective missionaries to the Philippines will be guests in the Luff’s home. Please pray for them as they search for God’s will for their ministry.

There are two financial prayer requests. One is that the library wants subscriptions to specific theological magazines. The other is for transportation. Transportation is becoming too expensive for the college to be able to afford to continue to send witness teams to churches. Karl and Peggy have been advised to get a larger vehicle, and they see where that could serve two purposes: transportation for them, and transportation for the witness team. They hope to find a nine-passenger

van so that the Luffs and the witness team could travel together each week to visit churches. Please pray that they will find a dependable van that will serve both the Luffs and the witness team.

Karl and Peggy thank each of you for your prayers and support and for the personal gifts that helped them get settled. They also say "snail mail" would be very welcome. Their address is:

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Philippines

FROM ZAMBIA

Bob Carter and a colleague are planning a new hospital program that will provide free anti-AIDS drugs to people living with HIV/AIDS. The program, which will include long-term follow-up care, starts in March 2005 and is funded by the U.S. through the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief.

Malaria is the single greatest cause of sickness and death in Zambia, especially in children under five. To combat this deadly disease, Bob and a Registered Nurse/Midwife from Mukinge Hospital recently led a workshop in Solwezi to teach new protocols in the prevention and treatment of the disease. The workshop was attended by staff from nine different health institutions in the province. Plans are being made to visit the remote western part of the province and hold a workshop there for four institutions that were unable to send staff to Solwezi.

Twenty-two women in the Carters' local church community are being taught by Hope to read. She has two classes, and more women are requesting that she start a third. The motivation for many of these women is so that they can read the Bible for themselves.

Hope has also been kept busy by her willingness to assist the district veterinarian by providing rabies vaccinations to pets. Requests for the vaccines came after rabid dogs were seen in the area. Several unvaccinated animals have died from the disease and some people have been exposed, but there have been no cases of human rabies.

An orphan whose secondary school fees were paid by the L.O.V.E. project recently graduated from high school. He is thankful for Jesus' love that caused Christians who have "a heart for the fatherless" to give so that his dream of education could become reality.

The Carters' Discipleship book has been included in the Pastors Bookset project. It will be translated into Amharic for distribution in Ethiopia and 21,000 copies will be printed in English for distribution in Kenya and Zambia. The project will provide sets of more than 40 books to thousands of pastors and fulltime Christian workers.

A graduate of their Discipleship TOT is now one of the chaplains at Mukinge Hospital.

Bob and Hope want you to know their email server has been losing messages. If you have sent a message and have not received a reply, please resend. Also, please be patient. They have frequent disruptions in their telephone service and experience days without email access.

Bob and Hope express their gratitude and are especially thankful for those of you who have helped to make it possible for them to minister in Zambia. As you can see from the brief notes I've given above, they are quite busy and giving assistance in many ways both physical and spiritual. Please pray for them as they continue their work as the Lord leads.

Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

2005 ACFIA Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Associated Committee of Friends on Indian Affairs will be held April 7-9 at Back Creek Friends Meeting near Marion, Indiana.

Kickapoo News

Christine Wood has been recorded as a minister by Mid-America Yearly Meeting. Christine along with her husband, Brad, has been involved in ministry at Kickapoo Friends Center for more than 23 years.

As one of the ministers at Kickapoo, she does everything from drive the van to teaching Sunday school. One of her strongest gifts is the fact that she speaks the native language and uses that ability to help those in the community and to tutor students in the local schools.