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FROM THE CHAIR

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Our Mission in Mexico is different in that it is not an FUM Mission, but is a Mission of the North Carolina Yearly Meeting. It is funded by trust funds and contributions from the meetings of NCYM. In the last few years we have not had as much financial support as in previous years. The committee decided that perhaps this is because we do not keep folks as well informed about Mexico as we should. We decided that we will bring Jorge and Elena Maria to the Yearly Meeting next year and try to schedule them to speak in each quarter after the Yearly Meeting. We also decided that Daniel Thames and Ron Gurley, members of the committee, will go to Mexico in January or February, do some repair work that we know needs to be done, and bring back a report on what they find there.

We hope you will give the Mexico mission some very prayerful thought and if you have questions let us know, and if we can't answer them, perhaps you will invite Jorge and Elena Maria to your meeting and ask them when they are here. If you want to schedule them for your meeting, please call someone on the committee or call me at (336) 765-0900.

*Whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men.
Colossians 3:23*

BACK TO WORK IN THE PHILIPPINES

Karl and Peggy Luff are back in Manila and looking forward to the semester beginning in November. At that time Karl will officially assume the position of President of Faith Bible College and will teach two courses, Biblical Languages and Introduction to Missions. Peggy will teach three courses: Women in Ministry, English Reading and Vocabulary, and English Conversation. In the meantime, they will host three visiting professors as well as develop curriculum for their courses.

For those of you who heard about an earthquake in Manila, yes Karl and Peggy were awakened from a sound sleep on October 8th due to the movement of their 14th floor room! Peggy said she found it hard to stand, but they

made it out of the building and onto the street where they joined many others who also rushed into the street. After about an hour they returned to their room, and, although the quake was quite a "*shaker*," all seems to be well. They are looking forward, however, to moving into their *one-story* house in a week or so!

Continue to pray for Karl and Peggy as well as for Elizabeth who is in Greensboro working and pursuing her college education.

PLEASE PRAY FOR JAMAICA!

Thus came the request from Andy and Lisa Stout in early September when weather forecasters were predicting Hurricane Ivan to be on a course to directly hit Jamaica.

People prayed. Then came word from Andy and Lisa thanking us for our prayers. They were without electricity, but Andy had managed to go to another community to charge their laptop so they could get a message out. They, and Seaside and Happy Grove had survived the hurricane. At that time they only knew how their community had fared because all communication, phone, radio, cell phone, had been lost. They knew there was some property damage but no loss of life in their community. A later communication revealed that they'd learned other parts of Jamaica did suffer some loss of life. The fact remained, however, that all of Jamaica survived the storm much better than had been predicted. The Stouts report that they found themselves in a community full of thankful people. Even those who suffered damage gave thanks because the storm was supposed to have been much worse.

***Pray the Lord of the harvest
to send out laborers into His
harvest.***

Matthew 9:38

MINISTERING TO MOWA CHOCTAW

In August, three ladies from Spring Garden Friends traveled to the Friends Academy located in McIntosh, Alabama to hold a mini-Bible School and a Back-to-School Concert. Carolyn Paschal, Lela Mae Cummings, and Joyce Pinnix, members of the Ima Jean Edward's Circle conducted a Bible study with the children entitled "Jesus in the Light of the World and Putting on the Full Armor of God." Many of the children had attended the Bible School that Spring Garden held there in 2003. It was a great time of renewing acquaintances and having fun learning about how to carry the Light of Christ out into the community. The ladies were able to take about 200 pounds of supplies for school, clothes for the Rummage Room, supplies for Kid's Club, hygiene kits for

the kindergarten children, and much needed supplies for Jane and Norman Snell. In the evening a "Pitch-In" was held and was attended by about 30 people. There was lots of good food and wonderful fellowship with the residents who live around the academy. After the meal Carolyn Paschal gave a Gospel Concert and shared her testimony in word and in song.

In October, Carolyn Paschal and her husband Seth traveled to Alabama to help in disaster relief and stopped at the Friends Academy on the way. The Ima Jean Edward's Circle sent "Care Bear" throws for the kindergarten children to use during nap time and the VFW Post that meets at Spring Garden Meeting sent clothes for the Rummage Room. Due to Hurricane Ivan several families lost their homes and have had to move away from the community. At this time there are only nine children at the Academy. Miss Mamie, the Kindergarten teacher, expressed her gratitude for the Hygiene Kits. She stated that it has been a great teaching tool for the children. Jane says her need now is having money for emergency situations. The money she has is earmarked for specific needs and she needs some that could be used at her discretion.

Prayers are requested that the RIGHT CARETAKER for the Center will come to take over when Jane and Norman retire in June of 2005. It really takes a special person to meet all the special needs of this community. The Center not only helps the children but many of the adults depend on the Center for help and guidance.

Carolyn Paschal
Pres. Ima Jean Edward's Circle
Spring Garden Friends Meeting

Please let me know how your Meeting ministers in missions. What your group does may give another group an idea of how they, too, may serve in missions. My email address is:

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