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Inleashing the Power of the Gospel Through National Ministers in Haiti and Mexico

Solar Yard Lights

It is VERY dark in Haiti. Is it darker than your town or your yard? No but when there is little or no other light in your area and thieves are on the loose it makes a huge difference to the security and comfort of those inside the compound. These solar yard lights have popped up all over Haiti. Do they work? All indications are they continue to work as we have seen them for 5

years and continue to provide light. Can they be stolen? Lights that are along roads and open areas have not suffered loss of panels or batteries.

If we had 4 of these we would have light in all open areas where entrances are at risk for theft and would provide light for walking from place to place on the compound. These cost approximately \$1,000 per light. All the orphans, seniors, and staff would thank you greatly if you would help provide these lights.

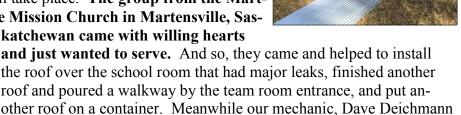




A Team With the Right Skills at the Right Time

So many times we are asked, "What will we **do on our team?"** The answer is not always clear but when prayer has been offered to God, there is always something good and interesting that will take place. The group from the Martensville Mission Church in Martensville, Sas-

katchewan came with willing hearts



needed some welding done and one of the men owns his own welding business and provided skilled work to get the job done. The two ladies on the team got involved with the kids, dishes, and helping

wherever possible.

Besides the team from Martensville, we had several Nebraskans come to use their skills in cabinet building, (Richard and Jeremy Warner), cooking (Alysia Warner), mechanics (Dave Deichmann and Les Denning).

Earthquake Zone Report - Mexico

We visited for two days in this earthquake shaken community. As we tried to sleep and the earth continued to shake and tremble, we were reminded that God is in control. We had two new believer's Bible studies. About 16 people showed up to study. We visited from home to home and saw that the people continue to live

outside, sleeping on cots in their yards with rubble from their houses all around them. The Mexican government is trying to reconstruct amidst the constant threat of another major earthquake. The process is slow.

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Gloria, a widowed grandmother who is raising her 11 year old grandson Alejandro, said that she received Christ on the first visit that our church sent out to their community. The government promised her a prefab house. We saw the house on this visit,

but it is lacking electricity and plumbing, so she continues to live in her destroyed

home's living room. We asked Alejandro if he would like to accept Christ and he said yes. As we prayed for him, the three men who were praying for him, put their arms around him. When the prayer was finished, Alejandro said "Is this what a father's hug feels like?". We were struck by the thought that he does not have a father or a father figure. Alejandro came to our Bible study and understood the concepts of the Word. Please pray for Gloria and Alejandro and the many other people coming to the Bible studies.



Lluvias de Gracia - Ciro and Juanita Perez

We visited in the month of January on a Thursday evening Bible study. We studied on holiness in our everyday lives. February, Francisco and Christy are studying the Word with the believers there.

The mission's goal is to build better bathroom for the church. The rustic, tin room, bucket flush facilities, need to be renovated. Some members of the Lluvias church have promised manual labor and/or materials to start the building of the bathroom.

MAGDALENA:

God continues to open and close doors in this very traditional catholic village. We have been meet-



ing in Oscar's home. He and his wife are a young couple who want to learn more about the Word. Oscar's parents have been faithful also. And they have been inviting other family and friends. Carlos and his wife Mireya, a young family with three young children, came to the meeting and accepted Christ. Francisco and Christy visit every two weeks and we visit about every 6 weeks. We are studying the new believer's Bible study and we have handed out Bibles to the individuals. Please pray for this very difficult and heart hardened community.

SAN PEDRO NEXICHO:

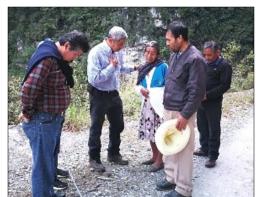
We have not visited this community in months due to the fact that the couple that accepted Christ have been thrown out of their community. Ciro was able to visit with them last week and they are living here in the city of Oaxaca, and battling depression due to the circumstances that they cannot go back to their home and things in the village.

ELOXOCHITLAN:

Ciro and three men from Lluvias traveled out to this community for two days. There have been some people coming to the Lord in the past and a visit was made to encourage and teach the believers in this community. Hector, who is from this community, a school teacher in Oaxaca, will continue to visit his community and use the new believer's Bible study. He is learning from the Word at the Lluvias church and he in turn is going out to his village to teach.

LA LUZ CHURCH:

A trip was made in December to La Luz, and another trip in February. The roads continue to deteriorate due to the heavy rains in that region. A brick layer from the Cuilapam mission, Javier, went in February to help build our much needed bathroom facility. He called this week and said he is done with the septic tank. While he waits for us to send out more materials, he is helping the brothers build a rock



While taking pictures along the road to Eloxochitlan, this couple walked by. Ciro engaged then in conversation, gave them the gospel, and lead them to salvation!

retaining wall on the backside of what will be the bathroom. All this seems simple, except for the fact that there is constant rain, landslides, and no machinery so everything is done with shovel, pick, and wheelbarrows, as well as all the cement mixing is done by hand. Also, all materials need to be taken in, since no building materials are sold in the village. Javier has been working far from his family for two weeks now helping the Christians of the community to build.

LLUVIAS DE GRACIA CHURCH:

Since September, everyone at the Lluvias church was put into a class according to the three new believer's Bible study books we use. If they had finished the books, there was a class on Exegesis. We finished this track of study in January, and during this time frame, we prayed and thought about how to restructure our Sunday school program. It has been a huge challenge, but we are now working on meeting the youth needs according to their age group. We are finding that many young people are not marrying at such a young age, so we now have older single adults that do not have the same needs as the high school kids. So we have made some changes and praying that there will be more growth due to the individualized teaching. This along with investing time in newer believers, teaching them, training them to reach others, and listening to their problems, has all been time consuming and challenging.

Our goal is to train men and women to go out to their communities and teach the Word and reach their own people. Please pray for the harvest!

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