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Many women come to know Christ through meetings in secular places

Training

Lina had a woman's leadership conference for three days in a small costal town about two hours west of Santiago where women from the North to the South attended. The 42 women studied administration, strategy, how to be more effective as wives, and sharing their faith. A couple of weeks later some of the group put into practice what they learned. In the northern section of Santiago, the leaders had an evangelistic outreach in a meeting hall celebrating mothers day. It was a great success and many turned out for the event.

Video ministry

This past week, we put up more than 17 hours of video Bible teaching on the Internet. Paul and I also recorded 10 hours of Bible classes. One person who was touched by the videos on our site wrote us two days ago, "Hi, the truth is I don't know how I found your website, but I have found that these pages are a great blessing to me. I am a Christian and I have a great desire to learn more about the Lord and to connect me with other Christians. I pray for great blessings on your site."

Internet ministry

Doris, a professional musician, came over to the house last night giving thanks to Lina. About two weeks ago she came across our internet site and wrote an email to Lina saying she desperately needed help. Doris is from Colombia, but has been living in Chile for four years. In her e-mail she said that her brother in Colombia was very depressed and was on the verge of committing suicide. (This was the third time the Lord had brought us into contact through the internet with someone ready to commit suicide). She asked if there was any way Lina could help. Since we have good friends in almost every country in Latin America, Lina was able to make contact with some friends in the same city as Doris's brother. The friends went over and talked to him and were able to help and encourage him. Please continue to pray that he will receive Christ soon. Our internet ministry has touched many lives and enables us to get in touch with people who desperately need God's touch in their lives.

Multiplication

For over a year now, every Wednesday night in our home, I have been teaching the book of Revelation verse by verse to my discipleship group. Dr. Jaiver invited some fellow doctors and their wives over to his house. His wife Marisol began to share the current events and how some of these same events are mentioned in Revelation which I had already shared with the group. As she shared the doctors eyes began to light up. They were so interested and touched by the Holy Spirit that when she presented the plan of salvation the whole group prayed to invite Christ into their lives. The voice is spreading and now others have contacted me to ask if I can start another group and go over the same teaching.

Brooke Costa Arrives



Brooke at the computer

On April 3, Brooke Costa, a short time mission worker, arrived from Sequim, Washington to help us for three months in the odds and ends of the studio and office work. She has been adjusting to the many cultural changes well, and is a pleasure to have around.



L-R Back: Paul, Jim, Mary Jane Steve
L-R-Front: Lina, Jordan, Joshua, Leyna

The family

Mary Jane is finishing up the first semester of her second year studying public relations and up to this point is receiving good grades. The other day we went with her to talk to one of her English teachers. On our way out, another professor stopped us, and said, “Mary Jane, are these your parents?” When Mary Jane said yes, he replied, “I have been wanting to meet you for some time and tell you your daughter is a very good student.” That was thrilling to hear that. Whenever possible she expresses her Christianity in her assignments. One of her professors asked her if she was Christian because of the way she answered a question in her homework, and when she said yes, he told her he was also a Christian.

We were happy our son, Steve, could go to Expolit in Miami, the largest Christian communication congress in Spanish. He represented our internet ministry and made many new contacts so our ministry can be more effective.

Special Prayer Request Answered!!

We would like to thank those of you who responded to our recent Christmas appeal for funds and who sent in a donation to help us buy the audio mixer. It is deeply appreciated.



We are happy to say, that the Lord provided the money to buy the audio mixer that we needed to complete the digital change over. Although the full amount needed to get it here did not come in, there was enough to purchase it. The Lord blessed us and we were able to find a slightly used one, (used only four days at a trade show) with full guarantee. The equipment is now in our office in Silverdale waiting for the money needed to ship it and pay the customs. For those who haven't yet, but would like to help us, there is still time. As many of you know, we are a faith-based Christian organization and we depend on friends like yourself to help us so we may continue to provide, develop and prepare evangelistic tools aiding National leaders in the task of reaching their nation for Christ.

One of my long time faithful friends and prayer partner from my college days bought us a recording DVD machine, so now we can put our video tapes on DVD. We are so thankful for how the Lord provides our needs.

Fearful?

As we read the newspapers or watch the daily news it seems one of the major themes is fear. As I write this there is once again an orange alert in the USA. Although we need to be cautious, the Word tells us in Matthew 6:25, Do not worry about your life... and in verse 33 it says, But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. As we put the Lord first, then we don't have to worry as we know He takes care of all our needs.

Thank you for being our partners and standing behind us in reaching the world for Christ.

In Christ,

Jim + Lina