



Hewlett Update: Spanish Missions **The Gospel Preacher Association**

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Dear Brethren,

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Greetings in the name of our most sovereign God. Here is an update on our recent trips to Costa Rica and Mexico.

Costa Rica

Our annual trip to visit the Hutton family and their ministry was such a blessing. Once we arrived in San Jose, we spent the first entire day visiting friends in the capital city area before making the three-hour trip to La Suiza where the Huttons reside. Nancy had wanted to visit the Araya family in order to comfort and encourage Giselle, mother of Alex and Dani Araya, GPA missionaries after the sudden passing of her husband Jorge, pastor of the Coronado Baptist Church in Costa Rica. It was a precious occasion of hugs and tears, but also with the satisfaction that Bro. Jorge was in the presence of his Savior after a long life of dedicated service for the Lord.

We then proceeded to make the three-hour drive to La Suiza where we would spend the next week with our daughter Melanie, son-in-law Quintin, and our grandkids, Justice and Verity - the Hutton family. During our visit we were able to join in the celebration of Verity's 8th birthday, plus be used of the Lord in preaching to the Cabecar Indian group in the remote place of Atirro whose location leads us through the cane fields and up the mountain. What makes this place unique is that not only do the Cabecar Indians attend the services, but also the skinny doggies and piglets, plus a couple of slim chickens here and there, nosing their way among the people looking for crumbs left over from the refreshment time at the beginning of the service. Even though the meeting place is small, what's most important is that the children receive a Bible lesson, and the older ones hear a message from God's word. Plans are currently in the making for an extra facility for the children to be erected in a lot just next door to the present facility. This comes after much prayer and discussion with the owner who refused to allow the church to expand. Lord willing, some volunteers from the States to erect the facility are coming in August. This will provide the much-needed space for the children to concentrate on learning more about Christ

and his word, plus allow the older group to hear the preaching without distractions. GOD IS GOOD.

Each day I ask God to lead me to the “divine appointments” he has planned to receive the gospel. This makes our trips to the field be like Gospel crusades where my face-to-face contacts in the airports, on the streets, in places of business, etc. become areas for these divine appointments using the Chick tracts. A reminder: Chick tracts will be read, and they will be shared. Knowing that the mission field is the heart of man, apart from the preaching service and church activities, we have an ongoing gospel ministry in the public arena. The mission field is the world. The power of God is in the gospel message. Much seed is being sown, and only God knows what eternal results it will bring.

Mexico

Our GPA Mobilization Ministries Medical Clinic took place in Felipe Carrillo Puerto, home of the Mt. Abarim Baptist Church, pastored by GPA missionary Alfredo Pech. The location is in the heart of the Mayan Zone of the Yucatan Peninsula in the state of Quintana Roo. In fact, Bro. Alfredo’s last name “Pech” is Mayan. We flew into the newly-built airport outside Tulum, the city famous for the Mayan Ruins, located one hour’s driving distance from Felipe Carrillo Puerto. This airport is known as “the Jungle Airport”, since it lies in the middle of dense jungle, with road signs everywhere warning of jaguar and monkey crossings. The climate there is hot and dry most of the time.

Instead of working in the pharmacy on this trip, my duty was to work at the triage station with my wife Nancy. Our job was to find out each patient’s health complaint, and then direct them to either the doctor or dentist station where diagnosis would be determined and medicines prescribed. Many were referred to the station for reading glasses, which was a much-visited stop. The information on those seeking medical help would be passed along to the pharmacy where the appropriate medicines would be distributed to the patients. Those needing dental attention would either have teeth extracted or cleaned. With just one dentist available, Lydia from Honduras, she was no doubt the busiest one on the medical team. The flow of patients on this particular trip was not nearly as much as on former trips where multiple area churches were involved. However, it was a challenge to serve those who did seek medical attention. Nancy was continually busy at her work, advising patients, taking blood pressure, testing sugar levels, and at times praying over special cases. We thank God that his mercy and grace was with Nancy, giving her the strength and energy to complete her mission! Good job, nurse Nancy!! GOD IS GOOD.

Mayan influence.

Two particular cases revealed the Mayan influence on the people who attended the clinic. One particular case was a young girl who said she had been struck with the plague of “evil eye.” This was due to a “curse” being placed on her by another person. The result was that one eye was smaller than the other. Another case was when a 78-year-old woman claimed that among her many ailments was that she thought she was pregnant, and that it was a “spiritual” pregnancy. We were told that this was a form of Voodoo coming from the witch doctors of the Mayan religion. Bro. Pech has shared with us that reports of demonic possession are common there. Nevertheless, the woman was tested to show she wasn’t pregnant. Such are the things that missionaries have to deal with in this region of Mexico.

Praise

We praise the Lord that the medical mission was a success. Patients were treated, the gospel was given, and there were some professions of faith handled by personal workers in the church who were present to deal with the patients while they were waiting at the different stations. Bro. Pech has trained his people well. The evangelistic preaching as a whole was reserved for the following week when soul winning visitation would take place during the day and preaching would follow in the nightly services. The week before the medical team arrived, VBS was held to reach the children in the area. So the medical week was apart from the VBS and the Evangelical Outreach. However, the gospel was still given during the medical aspect of the overall ministry project. PRAISE THE LORD. GOD IS GOOD.

Please view the attached photos to see aspects of both trips.

For His Glory,

Carl Hewlett

Bro. Carl, GPA
Luke 19:10

Photos of Costa Rica and Mexico Trips



Verity Hutton's 8th birthday



Verity and Birthday presents



Many friends from the area attended



Mountain view in the La Suiza-Turrialba area



Driving to where Cabecar's live



Area in Atirro, hidden, out of the way



Facility used in Atirro for ministry



Cabecar children



Limited space at Atirro Church



Cabecar music



Refreshment time before service (Quintin showing video lesson, Melanie serving, Verity helping)



Bro. Carl teaching (Nancy seated on right)



Empty lot for future added facility



**Ship where the medical team slept and dined
Docked in marina at Carmen Beach, Quintana Roo, Mexico**



**Mercy's Vessel Flag- "Humanity, Eternity," Ministry of Gospel
Preacher Association Mobilization Ministries
Dr. Gary Moore, Founder and President**



Warning sign of jaguars crossing highway



**Mt. Abarim Baptist Church, Felipe Carrillo Puerto, Yucatán
Mayan Zone, Mexico, GPA Missionary Alfredo Pech, Pastor**



Mt. Abarim Baptist Church-Missionary Alfredo Pech



Bro. Pech and church hosted the GPAMM Medical Clinic



Mayan man speaking the Mayan language. I took his blood pressure. It was extremely high.



Patients waiting to be seen. The young man embracing the child, Pablo who is one of the soulwinners who would deal with patients while they waited to see the doctor or dentist.



Dr. Gary Moore helping to distribute reading glasses. Zuri, the young lady observing, is Bro. Pech's daughter who is very talented at singing and playing the piano for the church.



Nancy at triage station with Bro. Pech and Dr. Judy about the possible serious condition of the patient seated.



Pastor Pech, Nancy, and Dr. Judy having prayer over the lady patient's condition



Man and grandson seeing Nancy to determine their health needs



**Military Nurse Practitioner David Werner and
RN Ceci Rooney working at the pharmacy**



**All medicines brought into the country have to
follow strict guidelines laid out by the government**



Dr. David Rooney, head of the medical team, is using Sarah, an interpreter, to determine patient's treatment.



A young volunteer interpreter from Honduras, Ellie is helping Dr. Judy at her station.



This man, nicknamed “the professor,” is translating for Nancy while treating these Mayans who speak only Mayan.



The young dentist from Honduras, Lidia, was the busiest one on the medical team since she was the only dentist, and many patients either had extractions or wanted their teeth cleaned.



Loading up the medical team van to leave after completing their week's work



Sightseeing at the Mayan Ruins in Tulum



The practice of Voo Doo in the Mayan religion still has its effects on the people of this area.



There still are witch doctors today who practice quackery and Voo Doo. These ruins go back to the time period of 250-900 AD.



Nancy met a new friend at one of the souvenir shops.