

Mission Projects, Inc.



Making a Difference for Eternity

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A little child shall lead them.



**Father,
Listen to Me!**

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Nothing Between in 2014

March, 2014 Board Meeting Report



Ed MacKenzie, President

Dear MPI Supporters,

We had a successful Board Meeting at Day Star Academy on Sunday March 30th.

We were happy to have several guests with us. We are also happy to report that Daniel Adams has agreed to be our Marketing Director. We appreciate his youthfulness and his willingness to support MPI in this regards.

The ministry of Mission Projects began in 1975 with a group of individuals who were dedicated to medical ministry. Some of the original members are still involved with this ministry while others have gone on to their rest, awaiting the resurrection at Jesus second coming.

Lay Workers, Worthy Students, Literature Material, Church, and School Building Projects were mission programs that were added over the years. Many of the Worthy Students have gone on to become Teachers, Pastors, and/or Medical Professionals.

We find that MPI's financial base is shrinking as many of our original members have aged. On the other hand, we have an increasing number of new members that we are very thankful for. With the current situation MPI will need to continue to pull back on some funding as we move forward. We hope that this is only temporary. We find it hard to turn down requests from new ministries. Certainly we are in the last days when there will be many such requests.

MPI's plan for growth in the future includes a booth at the July 2015 General Conference Session of Seventh-day Adventists. Please stop by our booth to say hello if you are able to come to this event.

Your prayers in behalf of this ministry are greatly appreciated.

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose. (Romans 8:28.)

Ed MacKenzie

The MacKenzie's travel internationally, conducting Lay Evangelism. They are avid bird watchers. Ed oversees the accounting department at La Loma Luz Adventist Hospital and represents Mission Projects position on the Hospital's board.

Mexico Lay Worker

First Baptized Chamula Native Still Evangelizing at 85!

Two young lay workers hiked up and down the numerous mountain trails in Chiapas eager to reach the next village and share their Savior with the indigenous people in their own dialect. The year was 1951. They emerged from the trail and were welcomed into the home of the Diaz family, where they stayed for nearly a year sharing Bible stories and teaching God's promises to the entire village. Several people accepted Jesus as their personal Savior.

Young Antonio was so excited about the new things he learned, that he decided to take his young wife and travel over the mountain to Yerba Buena where he learned even more. Antonio and Maria entered a program called "The Model Village" and learned much that they could share with others . . . and share they did!



*Maria and Antonio Diaz
and their three sons*

He and Maria dedicated their lives to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ. The Mission appointed Antonio as head of the lay workers during different periods of time, he and Maria visited the U.S. for several months in 1962, sharing their experiences with numerous churches and organizations.

During that tour, they went to a city where they experienced their first elevator ride. But coming from such a primitive life they didn't understand how it worked. All they knew is that they stepped into a little room, felt it shake a little, and when they stepped out of the little room, the building had

stretched way up into the sky! Or so it seemed to them.

The Diaz family lived and worked all around Chiapas, and Antonio continues to carry God's light into the darkness to this day at age 85, even though he laid Maria to rest a few years ago.

By Anita Franklin, daughter of Ray & Marie Comstock, founders of Yerba Buena Hospital in the mountains of Chiapas, South Mexico.



*Maria and Antonio Diaz
shortly before Maria died*

Update in March

Huai Fai Village, Thailand

We praise God for the Mien couple in Huai Fai, Nan Province who just accepted Jesus in Baptism. And also we praise God for the 2 Sulads Missionaries, Sulads Ana and Elma, who have committed their lives in service for the Mien people there.

Thank you so much for your prayers. Huai Fai village is a very strong ancestors' spirit worshipper and is very prejudiced and suspicious. For this reason, we decided to go down to Bangkok for the baptism of the Mien couple since we are still in the process of winning the heart of the village.

We also praise God for the decision of Bro. Tou (Tony is his English name) to accept Jesus in baptism. To me, his decision to accept Jesus was really unexpected. At first, I thought he was very prejudiced and suspicious about our Free English program since he was a lawyer. He has been studying English with me at our SDA Language Center here in Phayao. Bro. Tou used to be a practicing lawyer but decided to quit and focus on being a trainer on "Thai public speaking." He approached me one day that he wanted to learn about the Bible and so I set my free time schedule right away. His interest to come to our home for Bible study has amazed me.

Please help us to pray for these new members. With their zero background about God, we have a huge challenge to nurture them. The baptism was hosted by RISDAC SDA Church and was officiated by Pastor Songrit (the TAM Ministerial Director). His father is sick in the hospital. Thank you so much, MPI, for your prayers and your financial support. You're making an eternal difference. God bless your heart.

In Jesus, Bro. Jhun Cardeinte



*L to R:
2 SULADS
girls MPI
sponsors in
Huai Fai
Village;
Ana & Alma.
Next to them
the Huai Fai
Village cou-
ple, then
Tony,
Alejandro
(Jhun) &
the pastor.*

Father, Listen to Me!

After enjoying a beautiful sunny day, Ngingv Liouh nicknamed Aki took a look around their surroundings and found out someone was missing. She was near the road at that moment, watching us sweep the road side. Quickly she ran into their house and looked inside but she could not see her father.

"Where are you going", we asked her as she ran hurriedly down the dusty road.

"I'm going to search for my father lest he will be drunk again", she instantly replied without looking at us. She ran as fast as she could until she vanished at our sight.

"Amaa!, did you tell Aki to look for her father?", we asked hesitantly.

"No, she said. That is her first time to act like that. I didn't even say a word to her about father today, she said.

While we continued cleaning the roadside, we didn't notice that Aki is not yet around. "Can Aki convince her father to come home, we asked her mother?"

"I don't know if she can convince him tonight", she added. It was already dark and we were about to go inside the parsonage when we saw a motor bike coming near us. It was Aki and her father riding home on the motor bike which was driven by her older brother. He had seen them in the store where their father was drinking wine with his friends.

We asked Aki about how she convinced her father to go home. She said "Father, listen to me. Let's go home now. I don't want to hear you and mother quarrel again and again. Let's go home please!"

"Okay. Her father replied. Just wait for a while. We'll go home later." She waited for her father to stop drinking until her brother saw them in the store. They went home together with their drunken father.

Aki is active in singing both in school and in worship services. She even prays like an adult during worship time and even giving thanks for the food. She is like a small mother who rebukes her family members openly every time when needed. She sets a good example not only to her family but to all families in the village. She has many friends in the village who are listening to her when she shares her knowledge about the word of God.

Let it be that this little child with a big heart and a gifted mind can successfully finish her studies. When that time comes, she could be a great leader for the Mien people. Let's pray more for Aki and her family.

Ana U. Abendan, *SULADS Thailand Nan Province, Thailand*



Lifting Up Jesus



What a privilege and a blessing from the Lord it has been for us to be actively involved in this ministry as we work as co-laborers with God.

We continue pressing forward knowing and believing in the promise that, "Christ is with us unto the end of the world," as we spread this gospel of his soon return.

With joy in our heart we now share with you how God has bless our efforts as we work through this year.

God has answered our prayers and we continue working in Bullet Tree, Billy White, Santa Familia, Santa Clara, San Roman, Louisville, Libertad, Belmopan, Santa Elena, Hill View, and San Ignacio. Likewise we have entered new areas such as Santiago Juan , Duck-Run 1, Buena Vista, San George, Branch Mouth, Cristo Rey, Succotz, and Benque Viejo Del Carmen.

Currently we serve as Elders, Personal Ministry Directors, and Youth Director in our various churches. We are involved in small group ministry, Revival Series, crusades with Adan Sosa translating, Crusades with Israel Torres Jr. and Alfredo Mossiah Jr. And community outreach sharing food baskets. We are also involved in building churches and houses for families who are in need.

We had the privilege of giving 1,024 Bible Studies to precious souls for whom Christ died. Likewise we distributed 881 pieces of literature. We preached 350 sermons.



And with God's blessing and your generous support we have better access to materials that facilitate the spreading of the gospel as we have the printer to print as much material as needed.

Thanks to God for answering our prayers. We now have our "Advance Studies in Prophecies" completed and ready to be use in the work.

More than ever are the words found in Isaiah 55:11 true to us, which says, "God's word will not return unto him void...."

There have been 106 baptisms, and we praise the Lord for His abundant blessings. Jesus said, "If I be lifted up from this earth, I will draw all men unto me."

Looking forward for many more doors to be open to God's word we made contact with 760 persons.

Our mission is to reach our fellow men with the everlasting gospel, joining our weakness with his strength and to rightly represent our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We also join our hearts in prayer as we ask the Lord to make us worthy and to have a willing heart, allowing ourselves



to be used by the power of the Holy Spirit, so that our words and our deeds can rightly represent our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, as we prepare for His second coming.

Worthy Student

This Girl Is *Not* Handicapped!



Hello, I was born prematurely, resulting in a heart murmur, clubfoot and hyper-mobility (a congenital condition where my joints are more likely to slip out of place). With God's help, and that of my parents, I received the proper medical care and can live a normal life, like walk and run slowly. I consider myself a miracle of God despite my medical conditions.

I am studying at the School of Medicine at Montemorelos University. My dream is to become a missionary and give back to Him through my medical service.

Then at the beginning of this semester I had an accident, a sudden fall, that caused the dislocation of my right knee and the rupture of three ligaments. I had surgery to reconstruct my ligaments that had to be done within the first 10 days to prevent fibrosis and my joints losing mobility for life.

I spent three weeks confined to my bed and later started using crutches. I am currently in the process of rehabilitation and should soon be able to walk without support.

The School of Medicine offered me their unconditional support so that I could resume classes and not lose the semester. So I am back in the classroom, using a wheelchair.

I had been canvassing during the winter and summer breaks and working part time at the university to cover tuition. Due to my accident, and since I am in the process of rehabilitation, I will not be able to participate in these activities, nor will I be able to do much physical work.

My father decided to form another family, so I no longer have his support.

I am hoping to finish my studies, because my dream is to establish a foundation to help Medical students to continue and finish their career in this university, like others have helped me.

I do not want to fall behind in my studies, but instead graduate with my generation and promptly fulfill my promise to God. I truly value the Adventist education of this university since the teachers teach us daily to integrate the mission of our lives, given by Jesus, in our profession. Thank you for supporting MPI's program for Worthy Student Aid! —Denisse Carolina Vergara-Beltrán



ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTRUMENTS, MACHINES AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES NEEDED AT LA LOMA LUZ ADVENTIST HOSPITAL

ANESTHESIA

ANESTHESIA MACHINE WITH MONITORS

SURGERY

INCUBATORS (2)

ASPIRATOR MACHINES (2)

CAUTERY, with SURGICAL PENCILS (2)

SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS:

Kochers, Kelly Forceps, Allis Tissue Forceps, Ringer forceps, No. 3 blade holders, Rochester, Mixer, Heaney, sponge forceps, dissecting forceps with teeth and without teeth, Wire Cutter, Wire Twisting, Backhaus Towel Clamp, Non-Perforating Towel Clamp, Babcock Tissue Forceps, Bozeman Dressing Forceps

SCISSORS:

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NEEDLE HOLDERS:

Baumgartner, Webster, Halsey, Heaney-Gyne, Mayo-Hegar

RETRACTORS:

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GINE:

Dilators/Tenaculum, Forceps/Cervical, Forceps/ Biopsy, (Tischler-Morgan, Tischler-Kevorkian)

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will be put into your lap.
For with the measure you use
it will be measured back to you. Luke 6:38 (ESV)*



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Memorial Gifts

There comes to us from far-off lands, the cry, "Come over and help us."... We are to push the triumphs of the cross. Our watchword is to be, Onward, ever onward. Our burden for the "regions beyond" can never be laid down until the whole earth shall be lightened with the glory of the Lord. Our brethren and sisters may say: "We are being drawn upon continually for means. Will there be no end to these calls?" We hope not, so long as there are in our world souls perishing for the Bread of Life. Until you have done all that you can to save the lost, we ask you not to become weary of the Lord's repeated calls for means. Many have not yet done that which they might do, that which God will enable them to do if they will consecrate themselves unreservedly to Him.

(Excerpts: AUGleaner June 17, 1903 E. G. White)



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