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## *Serving Missions From Home*

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# Serving Missions From Home

By Wendy Harris

We often write about the sacrifice that missionaries in distant countries are making, their zeal for Jesus, the energy spent in reaching people for Christ and their needs in planning for the future. Although they are not presently living in a foreign land, Fred and Diana Adams are missionaries. They have spent endless hours and energy in serving the people of Mexico and helping the MPI board in endless ways.

If you have had the pleasure of meeting the Adams' you will quickly catch their vision for service and bringing people to Christ. While serving in the mission field of Southern Mexico in 1987, Fred became injured during a construction accident at Linda Vista and became paralyzed. This did not diminish his desire to serve God in missions. For the past 19 years he has been coordinating the lay worker and student aid programs in Mexico.

Currently he is the friendly voice you hear on our toll free number. He continues to coordinate the worthy student program and does various other jobs for MPI. It is hard to truly describe the amount of hours and energy he and Diana have freely given to MPI. We are so grateful! They are also actively involved in assisting their son Daniel who is teaching at the Familia Feliz orphanage.



On behalf of the MPI board, and I am sure every reader of this article, we would like to thank you, Fred and Diana, for the perseverance, encouragement, and insight you have given during the board meetings and all the various MPI projects and responsibilities you have been involved with. Thank you for showing us Jesus.

Be sure to visit [www.Adamsamigos.net](http://www.Adamsamigos.net) and learn more about this amazing family!

*Fred and Diana Adams receive a plaque in appreciation for their continued service in Missions.*

# *MPI Work Project in Belize*



*From left to right: **Gene Witzel**, Arkansas; **Howard Fisher**, Oklahoma; **Darald and Darlene Edwards**, Arizona; **Curt LaCourt**, Wisconsin; **Ida and Lloyd Kuhn**, California; **Mel Anderson**, Montana.*

It is always amazing what a group of people can accomplish and the fun that they have when they work together for the Lord. In February volunteers met at La Loma Luz to assist the hospital with various projects.

Remodeling the pharmacy was top priority, however it had to be done in sequence as they had to continue using it while the crew was working!

Other projects included pouring window sills for all the windows in the new hospital wing; putting in door jambs and trim and hanging the doors for the classrooms; completing the suspended ceiling in some of the rooms and breezeway, the completion of two bathrooms in the conference room; and many other projects. What a job! What a crew!

If you are interested in attending the MPI sponsored Mission Trip in 2009 please contact Jerry Harris at 435-259-2987.

*Gene Witzel, the crew boss, would like to say “a BIG THANK YOU” to each of the volunteers who came and gave of their time and energy.*

# La Loma Luz Adventist Hospital Report

By: Ed MacKenzie

The MPI Board has been interested in expanding opportunities for La Loma Luz Adventist Hospital ("LLL") for a number of years. Contacts were made with Adventist Health International Services ("AHIS"). AHIS is administratively affiliated with a number of SDA Medical Facilities around the world, five of which are within LLL's region of the world. These include Trinidad, Guyana, Venezuela, Honduras and Haiti. AHIS is only authorized to affiliate with Medical Facilities owned by the SDA Church.



At the recent MPI board meeting, it was unanimously voted to transfer the ownership of LLL and its associated facilities to the SDA Church. AHIS has already pre-approved the acceptance of the Country of Belize and La Loma Luz Adventist Hospital to become an affiliate of AHIS, subject to the transfer of the Hospital to the SDA Church.

## **HOW WILL THIS EFFECT LA LOMA LUZ ?**

AHIS was established to strengthen Adventist health services throughout the world. AHIS can provide LLL with opportunities that are not available or difficult to achieve otherwise. AHIS will provide governance and management support. They will assist in identifying and obtaining a variety of resources, including, but not limited to, personnel, equipment, donations, and grants. Someday LLL would like to have a School of Nursing.

AHIS will establish an Operating Board for the country of Belize. No single entity will have control of the Hospital. All decisions will be made through this newly created Operating Board. MPI will have representation on the Board and will continue its financial support in behalf of LLL

MPI believes that LLL's affiliation with AHIS will greatly enhance their medical services and medical training. The Hospital will be better equipped to care for the physical and spiritual needs of the people of Belize.

We invite you to partner with us as together we continue to pray and financially support La Loma Luz Adventist Hospital's medical outreach in Belize, Central America.

# African Lay Workers

MPI continues to sponsor eight lay workers through Riverside Farms in Zambia, Africa. MPI is especially pleased with this arrangement because of the many hours of practical training they receive, the accountability, and the great results from the work of the lay workers. (There were 2571 baptisms from the 30 lay workers supported thru the Riverside program in 2007!)

Recently Riverside has started a new program through their lay worker training course. It is called the “Timothy” program. This program is a work-study program made available for students that cannot afford the normal school fees.

The “Timothy” program has become an extension to the already existing lay worker program. Our Lay workers are the “Paul’s” who select and send capable “Timothy’s” to receive further training at Riverside. After the “Timothy’s” graduate they will go back and help the “Paul’s” in their district. What a blessing it is to train individuals that come from a specific region to go back to that region to work for Christ.

*“And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.” (2 Tim. 2:2)*

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## Memorial Gifts

### **At Rest:**

#### **Eastham, Chet**

*By Coralee Looney*

#### **Emmerson, Lee Roy**

*By Anonymous*

#### **Gordon, Neville**

*By Philip Mitchell*

#### **Shultz, Muriel**

#### **(was 104 years old!)**

*By FPS Enterprises*

*Dorothy Skeers*

*Vicki Skeers*

#### **Slater, Mary**

*By Laural & Barbara Sage*

#### **Wiebold, Larry & Lonnie**

*By Ruth Wiebold*

#### **Locke, David**

*By Don & Marilyn Locke*

#### **Wright, Justin**

*By Don & Marilyn Locke*

### **Birthday:**

#### **Margie Moore (90th)**

*By husband Wayne Moore*



# MPI Shifts Direction in Lay Worker Support

By Fred Adams

During the past 19 years, MPI has supported a network of laymen throughout Mexico, taking the Gospel to unreached areas. These devoted workers have led more than 14,000 people to Jesus, and established at least 284 new congregations. As we see the increasing intensity of end-time events, the MPI board voted to shift direction and support areas of even greater need.

Yes, many areas within Mexico still haven't been reached. However, Mexico is a country where the work is growing the fastest. Many other parts of the world have vast areas and major people groups who haven't even heard about Jesus. Therefore, MPI is phasing out lay worker support in



Mexico and expanding our team of workers in Africa and Belize. We are currently exploring needs in other areas as well. We will keep you updated as we expand to new places.

This change will multiply the effectiveness of donor contributions as well; the amount needed to support one lay worker in Mexico will support three workers in Africa. We are aware that some of our donors have a deep love in their hearts for the work in Mexico, and we have made provision for that. Any funds specifically designated for Mexico will be used to support workers on the edges of Huichol territory in the northwestern part of the country. Our faithful pastor/pilot Dagoberto Cirilo will oversee these laymen and send us their monthly reports. All other lay worker funds will be used in other parts of the world.

By Ed MacKenzie, MPI President



I recently read that Adam and Eve were greatly saddened as the saw the first leaf fade and fall to the ground. They mourned over it as if they had lost a child in death. This gives new meaning to Matthew 5:4. "Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted".

Death is everywhere in our world today. It has become ever so common. Jesus' heart is grieved when a little sparrow falls to the ground. Just think how sorrowful He is when men and women reject His love and grace. Jesus died to save everyone. John 3:16 tells us that God does not want anyone to perish.

Here in Belize, we are awakened, each morning, to the songs of many birds. I believe that God gives us these little creatures to remind us of His care and His love for us. The birds are never gloomy. They sing praises to their Maker. They remind us that the future holds life and not death for those who choose Jesus. While we remain here we will continue to experience death, but we also know that while we are here, that we are "In His Care".

Please send me additional memorial forms

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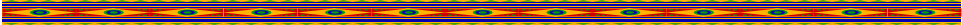
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