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MPI BOARD MEETING UPDATE

Fifteen board members were present at the March meeting. MPI plans to join with other ministries to expand our outreach impact.

Next board meeting is scheduled for February 2008 in Belize in conjunction with a mission trip project. Plan to come along and bring a friend!

Worthy Student Aid

Dear Friends,

Receive a warm greeting from your sister in Christ, wishing that our heavenly Father continue giving you all his blessing, in your good labor, to help others to complete their goals.



I have 20 years old, and I'm studying the second semester of Sciences of Education. I'm the oldest of a family of six brothers and sisters, therefore is to hard for my parents to help me economically.

Thank God, He had me supported, but already I can't support me any more, and I'm having really problems to keep me studying, that's why I'm asking you support to reach my goals, and keep my focus, that right now, it's study.

Thank you for all your services, and may God bless you all the time and all your family.

Nancy Estrada

Note: Since there are many students needing assistance, your Student Aid contributions are placed in a General Fund and distributed uniformly among those with the greatest need and potential.

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Ed MacKenzie

And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come. Matthew 24:14

We are very familiar with this text. The question is— what does it require to take the Gospel (good news), into all the world? The challenges of mission work can be very daunting. As committed Christians, we are anxious to see the Gospel go rapidly to the far ends of the earth. We recognize that there is still much to do. Mission Projects Inc. is committed to doing what we can to finish the work.

Our board recently met at Day-Star Academy to conduct our normal business and to discuss what we might do to grow and to embrace a greater outreach. Several ideas were shared. In particular, it was felt that Mission Projects needed to have a central location where volunteer workers would be available. We have a committee looking into this. We will be pursuing new ideas over the next several



months. We have been given opportunities to work with other ministries to enhance our visibility and to expand our field of operations. We will share some of these opportunities with you as we are able to utilize and fit them into our program.

I shared my personal vision, with one of our local pastors. It would be wonderful to reach all of Central America with our Lay Worker Program. The pastor responded, by saying that we should also reach all of South America. I like his faith! It would be wonderful to have 100 lay workers for every lay worker we have today. With God's help we can do it together. Please pray for us as we attempt to do bigger and greater ministry for our God. God is good all the time!

In his service,

Ed

The MacKenzie's travel internationally, conducting Lay Evangelism Campaigns. Ed is a retired CPA. He oversees La Loma Luz Adventist Hospital's accounting system in Belize and is actively involved with the hospital's administration. Ruth helps in the office and does some sewing for the Adventist Orphanage in Belmopan.



Doctor Feels Speechless About God's Providence

By Ardis McPherson, Mission Group Coordinator

Nestled in the southern foothills of Guatemala City, lies the tiny little town of Quetzaltenago, which was home to Dr. Joel Lazo, his wife Dr. Elsa, and their three beautiful daughters --



The Lazo family

Elsy Amarilis, 5; Lina Fernanda, 4; and Maria Laura, 3-- until October of this past year, 2006.

Sometime mid summer, a friend of a friend of one of La Loma Luz's doctors, who is friends with Dr. Lazo, happened to be visiting in Guatemala City. He asked Dr. Lazo if he would ever consider moving. And Dr. Lazo said, "yes." The doctor said, "here," and he gave Dr. Lazo a piece of paper with Grant McPherson's name on it, and said, "Give this guy a call."

So, Dr. Lazo called Grant, administrator of La Loma Luz. They talked for nearly an hour. Several times Grant tried to get Dr. Lazo to hang up and let him call him back so he wouldn't have to pay so much for the call, but Dr. Lazo just kept saying, "No, no, no!" and kept on talking.

They talked all about Dr. Lazo's educational background -- graduating in 1995 from the University of



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San Carlos, in Guatemala City and obtaining his OB/GYN specialty in 1999 from Hospital Regional de Occidente. They also talked about the fact that he and his wife had opened a clinic of their own in Quetzaltenago, in 1999. Then in 2000, he also worked at a hospital in San Marcos. From 2001 – 2003, they closed their clinic in order to work with INTERVIDA, which would go into the outlying vil-lages and have clinics. In 2004, they reopened their clinic, and that is where contact with La Loma Luz began.

During that first phone call, after all the medical stuff was out of the way, Dr. Lazo, asked Grant about the work-ing hours for the hospital, Grant had mentioned what they were earlier in the conversation, but he was now asking again. So Grant went over the hours again – Monday-Thursday 8-5 p.m. Friday – 8-3 p.m. Closed on Saturday and open Sundays 8-12. There was a long pause . . . , and Grant had to ask a couple times if he was still there before Dr. Lazo said, yes he was. Then he continued, “I just have to tell you the my wife and I attend the Iglesia Adventista. Then it was Grant’s turn to be silent! Dr. Lazo said that he and his wife had been praying for a position in an Adventist hospital; La Loma Luz had been praying for an Adventist doctor!

Now that all this was on the table, work began in ear-nest to schedule an interview and get all the paperwork done. After making a few trips back and forth to Quetzal-tenago, selling their practice, packing, (you know – every-thing that goes with a move!) they finally arrived on Octo-ber 15. Well, now you have it! Our new doctor and his family – Drs. Joel and Elsa Lazo, and girls!

We wish to give the Lazo’s our warmest (no pun intended) welcome, and we hope they have many years with us here at La Loma Luz.

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