



Tecate Mission International

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The Ministry of TMI

TMI is a non-profit, non-denominational faith organization serving in the USA and Latin America from the base in Tecate, CA.

The Mission of TMI

TMI has a membership of persons who seek to accomplish the Statement of Purpose. Our purpose is to win the lost to Jesus Christ and to fulfill the Great Commission through recruiting, training, sending, and assisting qualified laborers in partnership with the Body of Christ.

Your Contribution

Your involvement through prayer, financial giving, and other personal contributions of articles or labor can make a difference in the lives of many people whom Christ loves and for whom He died. All funds are the property of TMI. In accordance with IRS regulation 501c3, this organization retains the right to determine the use of any and all funds while attempting to respect the suggested designation given. Funds are acknowledged with an official receipt for tax purposes.

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LIGHT HOUSES FOR LOST SOULS

Help Us Spread the Light into the
Areas of Spiritual Darkness

We must expand our funds to
build and equip new churches .

Pastor Isaías just sent a message to Ron Hoffman pleading for a group to come and help. Land has been donated by a widow lady in memory of her husband, high up in the Oaxacan mountains. Isaías asked, "when is a group coming to help construct the church in our village in the Mixteca zone of Oaxaca (7 hours from the nearest airport)? Your donations can make the difference in someone's eternal destiny

DESIGNATE #470 — LIGHT HOUSES



TECATE MISSION INTERNATIONAL
NEWS

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GOD'S FAITHFULNESS & BLESSING IN 2017

LIGHT HOUSES FOR LOST SOULS

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF TECATE MISSION INTERNATIONAL



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The board meets quarterly to pray, discuss and make decisions on the advancement of the ministries of TMI. There must be a unanimous vote on all of the issues that are brought to the table thus providing unity and blessing. Once a year the board meets at Pine Valley Bible Conference Center for a two day retreat of prayer and seeking God for His leading.

NEW EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR THE RELIGIOUS ASSOCIATION OF TMI



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(NOT PICTURED) RON HOFFMAN - VOCAL

Plans are being made for the TMI pastors and their families to join for fellowship and future planning for multi church gatherings. Much prayer is needed as this board unitedly seeks to navigate new laws

WORDS FROM DIRECTOR RON HOFFMAN

We find ourselves in a brand new year, and already facing challenges as well as opportunities. Much division exists inside of our country, as well as the country of Mexico. Both are experiencing internal crises with the polarization of opinions. Now, more than ever, we as followers of Christ, must be united in prayer for our leaders and government. The enemy of God desires to divide us and render us ineffective in our service to the Lord in our personal as well as corporate witness for Him and our unity as the body of Christ.

Let us stand together in prayer for His glory and honor in 2017! Our united focus must be on Him Who never changes and Who alone can "change the heart of the King, as He does the course of the river."

Opportunities abound to shine His light in the darkness of this world. May we shine bright for Him as together we prepare *light houses for lost souls*.

NEW MEMBER OF TMI



Antoinette Jackson had moved to Tecate Mexico so that God could use her in service. She has walked with Jesus serving Him for many years. She was accepted into membership and is in the position of 4th grade teacher at TCS. Her enthusiasm for the Lord and her beautiful singing voice are a real blessing to us all.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT AT TMI HEADQUARTERS



Pray for **Sandy Rowe** as she is learning the many details of the finance department and is the new bookkeeper for TMI. (feel free to call her or write her if you might have any questions or comments)

Luis Granillo, Camilo and Elizabeth Irrisari are no longer members of TMI. May God lead their lives.

Joys in Prison Ministries



Missionary Carl Olson and two young men are on their way to Columbia Correctional Facility to share the glorious

message on Sunday afternoon. The men lead worship and Carl preaches.

Carl and Kathy Olson travel throughout the state of Wisconsin



Many prisoners are studying our Bible Correspondence courses in both Spanish and English. We are encouraged by

testimonies: *"Thank you for sending me this study. I am excited to work it and grow in God."*

No matter what God loves me. Jesus is my Savior and I know I am going to heaven. I grew up in the church, however I have recently repented and turned my life and eyes towards God..."

Another writes, *"I greet you with the joy that the Lord gives to me. Very early in the morning I enjoy His Word, I am happy; there is no sadness in my soul, only joy and gratitude. There is something beautiful that I feel that this joy will not end until I arrive with Him. This letter is to thank each one of you as you are the cause of this joy because these studies make me walk in the Bible & know the Lord step by step. I desire that God will bless you. I am sending you my exams....."*

Note: Prayer request: In the past a nearby prison facility allowed Christian workers to take in the Bible Correspondence lessons to the residents. There is now a restriction on this action. Pray that if it is God's will, we might reopen the opportunity to share His Word with many prisoners in this place as we did before.

Are the elderly forgotten? Missionaries **Ruth and Ricardo Salvador** continue to spend hours in prayer, in listening and seeking to counsel and encourage the elderly. God has a special place in His heart for those who are alone, abandoned, sick, troubled etc. The Salvadors share blessing and hope.

Bible Institute of TMI



Kent and Lila Traylor have dedicated themselves to the ministry of the Bible Institute for the past 18 years. Many students have graduated and a good number of them are in full time Christian service.

In 2012 a young lady, **Elda López** graduated from 4 years of preparation studies and she became a member of TMI. Elda followed God's call on her life to serve in a children's home in Honduras. Her assignments are very demanding but there are continual rewards. Let me introduce you to a girl who spent 19 years in this home.

In desperation a mother left her 3 month old baby at the home. She had several other children. The girl grew and her desire to love the Lord increased as she opened her heart to Him. At the age of 19 **Kenia** applied to be a student at the Bible Institute where Elda received her training. She came to a new country and a new surroundings at the Institute. Kenia is in her 2nd year of studies. Her desire is to return to Honduras and to work in the children's home. She wants to share Jesus and His love with those who are in the same situation as she was for so many years.



Pray for Kenia and the other students at the Institute that they might keep their eyes on the goal of living a life given to the Lord and His purposes for them individually.

Pray for the faculty of the institute led by the Kent and Lila Traylor.



Alex and Guillermina Goribar are members of TMI and they assist in various ways on the BI campus. Guillermina works in the kitchen seeking to keep the students filled up with good meals. Alex works in maintenance, office work, teaching and much more.

They are an important part of this ministry.

God's Love Is Extended

Twice a month **Pastor Martin Tovar** of Ebenezer Christian Church, Tecate, takes a group from his congregation to the river to visit inside the tunnels



where people live who have addictions and many challenges. They take them food, water and also



share the message of the cross. Around 300 are ministered to each visit and some have expressed their desire to follow Christ, several have accepted the opportunity to go to a Christian Rehabilitation

Center and others chose to continue in these desperate living conditions. **Pray for heart changes and victory in many lives as well as protection for the group as they dedicate themselves to this ministry.**

His Love Extended in Chiapas

David and Lorena Aguilar are extending the



message of hope with outreaches for youth. David also effectively communicates to married couples

individually and in groups. God is blessing. Some of David's messages can be found on YouTube in Spanish.

His Love Extended - Meeting Physical Needs

We are constantly blessed by what is shared with us to give away through the Distribution Center. You must phone before coming and every item must be clean and useable.

We continue to look for a free bread supply and someone to bring it to us. We used to have several truck loads of bread a week and we were able to help meet many physical needs.



Tecate Christian School

How can we share all that happens through the ministry of TCS?

Principal **Diane Lyles** reports the various activities and programs being carried out with the purpose of leading the children in a spiritual walk with Jesus.



A mission's emphasis week was held where the classrooms learned about different mission fields, making presentations, displays, attire and more. Some hearts were moved that perhaps some day God would lead them to share the Gospel in another country.

Missionary **Jerry Bingham** teaches classes in woodwork to the boys. They learn how to use tools, prepare wood and apply life's lessons as well.



Much more takes place within the walls of TCS.

Note: We are still looking for teachers so that TCS might effectively meet the academic and spiritual needs of the children entrusted to us. Is God speaking to your heart? Will you be an ambassador for TMI and share this need with others?

Upcoming Ministries

• Equipping Leaders for Church Growth

Pastor Eufasio Perez and his wife **Eugenia** will be teaching seminars for all the TMI pastors and their wives March 10, 11 at Door of Salvation Church in Oaxaca, Oax.

• Encouragement and Challenge

Ron and Becky Hoffman will be visiting the TMI missionaries and churches in Jalisco and Chiapas.

• Foreign Missionary Preparation

Victor and Daniela Estrada, graduates from the Bible Institute, feel a call on their lives for missionary service. Tentative plans are to leave their homeland July 2017.

Do you want to encourage them with your financial and prayerful support?