

TECATE MISSION INTERNATIONAL NEWS

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Many Ministries ... One Focus

Missionary Trip to Chiapas, Mexico



Their time was filled with door-to-door evangelism, giving out Christian literature, and holding evangelistic services in the evening. People walked from different areas of this mountainous region to hear the Gospel. Hearts were touched; there were tears of repentance of those who accepted Christ. Ever states, "to witness this scene my eyes filled with tears and with joy to see souls surrendering at the feet of Christ. It is so worthwhile to be involved in missionary work."

Juan and Marbella Valdez took a 10-day missionary trip to Sinaloa, Mexico, in a van packed with supplies, Christian literature,



food, and one change of clothes for each traveler! The purpose of the trip was to encourage the Christians in the small struggling churches in that area; to teach adults, youth, and children the Christian walk; and also to

do evangelism. Some of the leaders have had no formal training so they welcome teaching.

Tecate Christian School

This educational ministry is continuing on faithfully under the leadership of Ron Hoffman. He has a staff of dedicated teachers who seek to strive for academic excellence

based on Biblical principles.

There is such potential in each child, and we realize that many of the children deal with joys and disappointments. Special learn-



ing/fun opportunities are given to the children



throughout the year. For example, the 6th graders got to spend 4 days at Indian Hills Camp where they learned from camp staff

and their leaders, Ron Hoffman and Adriana Garcia in the great out of doors.

TCS is preparing for MISSIONS WEEK when the children are exposed to other missionaries outside of TMI and to other cultures.

Almost daily, people are coming to the door to inquire about the possibility of their child being accepted into TCS. We must have more teachers and TCS staff in order to adequately carry out this program 1st–8th grade. At TCS, the pupil/teacher ratio is small, but each child is important.

Veteran Missionaries



Ricardo & Ruth Salvador have given their lives to missionary service for the past 64 years.

Even though they are well past retirement age, they continue to minister to others through a dedicated prayer life, listening and counseling, devotionals, and meetings with seniors.



Pray for them as they reduce their load of service and remain faithfully focused.

TMI Missionary Updates

Missionary Elda Martinez will be working at the Bible Institute of TMI (she is a graduate) for a few months instead of returning to Honduras at this time. She is teaching a group of children, seeking to be a daily example and mentor. We know God is using her to touch young lives. Elda is also challenging the students at the Institute to be willing to leave their comfort zone in life and to give their lives to effective service in the world where there is a need.

Missionaries Victor & Daniela Estrada have taken a few months leave from Tanzania and they will be working at the Bible Institute and using this time to make new contacts. Due to some health problems which Victor has and the fact that Daniela is expecting twins, their return has been postponed until later this year.

Jerry & Candis Bingham are TMI missionaries in the northwest. They desire to share missions and the ministry and needs of TMI in that area. Candis is enthusiastically teaching a women's Bible study on missions which is so dear to their hearts following years of service in Mexico, Africa and the US. ** May we all be challenged to use our days sharing His love and also the God's heart for global missions.

It shall come to pass that before they call, I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear. Isaiah 65:24

New TMI Missionaries



They both were born in the village of La Cumbre del Durazno in the Sierra Tarahumara, of Chihuahua. Alberto first met missionary

Jesus Rivera on one of Jesus' exploratory hikes into the Sierra in 2008. In Sept. 2009, Ron Hoffman and Jesus hiked into the village to seek permission from the leaders to return and share the Gospel... which they gave. Though he is Raramuri, Alberto had learned to read Spanish.

After years of Jesus' faithful teaching and explaining, Alberto & Lupe accepted Jesus Christ as Savior and were baptized. Then discipleship began. By their 3rd year as Christians, Ron and Jesus challenged them to go out to another village and take the same message. They started crossing the Copper Canyon on foot - 28 miles each way - to share



the Gospel in Sinforosa. As fellow Raramuri, they saw spiritual fruit quickly and soon there were 22 baptized believers. A new chapel was constructed then dedicated in

September, 2019. It was 10 years after the initial contact in La Cumbre. Alberto & Lupe have been accepted into membership of TMI assisting Jesus with the ministry in the Sierra.

Please pray for them as they begin their missionary journey.

In 2008, Jesus knelt and asked the Lord to use him in spreading the message of salvation throughout the Sierra Tarahumara.



More New TMI Missionaries

Manuel & Karina A. have been accepted into membership; however, due to the strategic place and form of ministry, we are unable to share details.

Please pray for them, their protection, and the effectiveness of their witness in this limited access location.

Perhaps you want to join hands with us. Feel free to ask about opportunities listed or not listed below...

Note About Working with Refugees: If you would like more information on how you could be involved in ministering to



be involved in ministering to refugees in San Diego, CA contact: Dan Bender 619.851.7451

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We need loving believers to serve those struggling to make a new life in America.



Looking for: Substitute Teachers for

<u>TCS</u>. We are compiling a list of those who might be able to come in an emergency to substitute teach. Contact us now.

Note to Prayer Warriors: If you are one of TMI

prayer free to the 2020 Calendar



warriors, feel request a copy of Prayer which includes a

photo of all the active membership of TMI. Follow the prayer and praise in the TMI newsletters as well as communication from individual missionaries. Invite TMI missionaries to share GOD'S working individually or in your church or group and how your can effectively pray for TMI.

Note to Handymen: If you are interested in serving full-time or part-time using your abilities in general maintenance, mechanics, God has given each one talents



and skills to be used for Him. We need more to come alongside of us here at headquarters and to do many jobs which will relieve the missionaries in their daily responsibilities.

Also does anyone want to donate a like new WHEELBARROW?

Contact Ron Hoffman



Note to Quilters: If you are interested in making quilts for the ministries of TMI, please contact Willa Edmonds. For years we have given out 100's of beautiful quilts made by the loving

hands and hearts of ladies who care. We are looking for others to join in this opportunity.

Bible Institute of TMI



What a opportunity there is to have students come from different parts of Mexico to study the Word of God. Day after day they are taught such subjects as Bible, Personal Evangelism, Theology, The Life of Christ, and many more. During these years of study, they are given practical ministry assignments. God works in their hearts as they learn from someone with experience and put into practice the daily lessons taught in class.

It is encouraging to realize that graduates are scattered throughout Mexico and beyond, beginning new works and leading people to Christ. Recently a graduate, who is involved in church planting, phoned Director Kent Traylor to say, "I have no other reason to call you, Brother Kent, than just to say, a sincere thank you for all that I learned, all that was offered and all that you did for me when I was a student at the Institute".

The hours of investing in lives are so worthwhile and only eternity will reveal the far-reaching extent and success of this important ministry.

Your prayers for Director Kent Traylor and his wife, Lila, and their associates in leadership, Carlos and Barbara Escobar, would be greatly appreciated as they strategize and plan for the continued development of the Institute.

Your financial giving is also vital as costs continue to climb. It is a great opportunity to invest in future workers for the Kingdom.

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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 Contributions

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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Do you want fulfillment in your life? Come, serve Jesus at

Tecate Christian School.....

Teachers are needed

- excellent opportunity to serve Jesus
- 1st-8th grades * all teaching is in English
- academics based on Biblical principles

Our part: share the need and pray

<u>Your part</u>: share the need with others individually or in your church or group and pray believing

Ask the Lord specifically: Do you want me to fill this need and to be a part kingdom ministry.

Contact: 619.468.3355

Here is an Opportunity in Serving by Giving.....

Bible Correspondence Department

Courses are received and sent out daily to people in different countries and situations both in Spanish and English and cost of materials and postage is climbing.

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PRAISE for:

open doors in new places

volunteer workers who offer time

protection over our missionaries as they travel by foot, bus, plane, and vehicle

His extended mercies daily

PRAYER for:

additional career missionaries

volunteers with a heart to serve

daily wisdom in decision making

true salvation experiences for the 100's of students studying by correspondence

that we not glory in busyness but rather in Him