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Missionaries to the **La Moskitia**Region of Honduras

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Dear Praying Friends and Supporters:

Once again, we are praising the Lord for two being saved since our last mailed prayer letter. Keylin asked about salvation at her house, but when she did not get the response she wanted, she asked for permission to come to our



house. Robin had the opportunity to take the Bible and lead her to a saving knowledge of Jesus. Gordo (Rudy) came after church on Sunday morning. I told him he could wait on me, I had some people to talk to and some things to do. He never left my side. He had talked about getting saved before but never did anything about it, so I was just making sure he meant business. I had the chance to walk him through a Biblical Plan for salvation and he also was gloriously saved. The two girls were baptized in February and Gordo in the month of March.



I have just returned from building a church building in the village of Auka. A mission church

in Germany sent an offering, and we added to it in order to complete the building. This was our first time to build out of metal, but it turned out great, and the people



were extremely happy with the outcome. They will save their money and purchase cement for a floor, then later more cement to make blocks and close it in. This is still a mission work where there have not yet been folks saved, but he is having 20 to 30 in attendance



on Sunday mornings.

The wall around our property is almost complete. We are waiting on 650 more blocks to come in to be able to finish it out. Later we hope to be able to put electric fencing around the top, just to help deter those thieves that are more serious than others.



Our solar controller, panels, and batteries came in the first of March. We were able to get it all hooked together with the generator to automatically charge the batteries and switch between generator power and battery power as needed. It has been amazing the reduced stress of not having to worry nor schedule cranking and switching. Yep, I know; we are getting OLD and SOFT.

I began the last of March teaching a three-week course on the poetic books of the Bible. The classes will go through to the Friday before Easter. We are praying for those who attend that the Lord will work in their hearts through a greater understanding of the Word.

We have two men that are attending that have been here in the past but went off following other things. All during the month of February we were meeting and talking with each of them about the doctrines and practices of the church to see if they were in agreement. They have assured us that they want to change. As a result, they are on a three-month probation period where we will be evaluating their lives and work, praying that this has truly been a change of heart.

In the month of February, we also had a church asking us to take authority over their church plant. After having several meetings with those involved, we have agreed to have them place the land in our name and have asked our man Andy if he would take 4 months to go there to preach and teach them, first about salvation, but also of what we believe to be Biblical church practice. (the way a church should be run and governed) So he will be there from April through July when we are praying that one of the new men will be ready to go and permanently take over the work. This will be our first church in the city of Puerto Lempira.

As we mentioned in our last letter, the young man Leben has a deteriorated hip joint. We had been trying to help him with pills to alleviate the pain, hoping the steroid shot would kick in and help. Instead, he has progressively gotten worse. He is in need of an immediate hip replacement, and we have secured a doctor in La Ceiba that has agreed to do it, for a price. As the cost is great, we are teaming up with Operation Renewed Hope to try and raise the needed \$10,000 to cover the cost of surgery, housing, food, and travel to the city of La Ceiba. If the Lord burdens your heart for this particular need it would be a tremendous blessing to this young man. If you would like to give you can send it to Macedonia marked for Hip Surgery.

On a personal note, we will be coming into the US the last of April. The first weekend in May, our daughter Lydia will be graduating from Anchor Baptist Bible Institute in Pisgah Forest, NC. The church, school, and ministry there have been such a blessing to her these three years. Her spiritual and personal growth has been a great blessing to see. She is praying for direction as to where the Lord would have her to serve following graduation.

We also have wedding plans to announce for Levi. Miss MaryLou Martin is from Tennessee and will also be graduating from the Anchor Baptist Bible Institute in May. We are overly excited for the two of them and looking with great anticipation at how the Lord will use them in the coming years. Their wedding is set for Friday, June 10th.

Just one week after that, our daughter, Kayla, is due to give birth to our first grandson. We "may" be more excited about this than we are about the graduation and wedding, I'm not sure. We are, of course, praying for a smooth and healthy delivery and asking the Lord to help Kayla and Jacob with wisdom and understanding, as he will be reliant on them for both spiritual and physical growth.

We have tried to schedule to be in several churches during this time. We are focusing on those where we have not been in several years, and several that have begun to support us, even though we haven't been to them. We still have a couple of Wednesday and Sunday evening services available. If you would be interested in having us to come by and give and update during that time, please email us and we would love to try and work it out to be with you.

Thank you for your prayers as we have been building, traveling, and trying to direct the ministry here as the Lord leads us. I will be headed upriver the last part of April to spend a week with Bro. Nichin there. Just this week a deal has been made on some property where we will begin building a church building for him there in Pansana.

We appreciate your continued prayers in these upcoming months, for wisdom, discernment, and strength to do the work that the Lord has for us to do.

In His Service, Gene and Robin Trask