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# On the Wings of Prayer

“Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.” Psalm 63:7



## “More Than Yes” by John Peeples, IBFI Mission Director

Jesus uses a parable in Matthew 21:28-32 to teach us a valuable lesson. God requires more than a ‘yes’ response from us when He asks us to do something for Him. The parable begins this way, “A certain man had two sons; and he came to the first, and said, Son, go work today in my vineyard.” This man gave the same request to both of his two sons. The interesting twist to the parable is that the first son said ‘no’ to his father but afterward he repented, and went while the second son answered ‘yes’ to his father and did not go. One of the conclusions that we draw from the parable is this: It matters more to God that we are obedient to Him. Good intentions and a Godly vocabulary don’t get the job of obedience done. True repentance and faith in Jesus Christ produce a transformed life, and God requires more than a yes answer. We must also “go work today” in the Father’s vineyard.



## THE HONDURAS



### Father & Son Labor in the Honduran Mission Field



#### HAROLD & LENA PRIDAY

“The new deaf Sunday School class is now open. The man being trained to be the teacher is a deaf man from our earlier works. He was raised in the church & we’ve known him since he was born. Dennis is married to a deaf woman & they make a good team.

We had a nice visit with a man who is being prepared to pastor a mission work. He is preaching & working with children at the local soccer field. We were able to give him some material to help with that outreach, some new shoes & shirts. We are excited about his desire to win



HAROLD & LENA PRDAY

souls & train them for the Lord.

There is so much poverty & sickness here. One of our beloved friends was run over by a car & then dragged about a block. She broke almost every bone in her body, had many operations, and then came down with cancer. Last week thieves stole everything in her house.

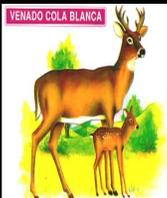
On April 15th Lena & I celebrated 49 years of marriage. We believe in prayer and that it is the glue that keeps a marriage together.

We’ve have had the opportunity to work with several new people & hope to get the Gospel out into new areas. Please pray for the people!”

#### LESLIE & ALBA PRIDAY

Youth camp was a blessing. Satan was busy as always but we saw many blessings. There was good attendance and a wonderful spirit. As far as we know, 9 were saved and 10 baptized. Two of the saved were not baptized and two that had previously been saved were baptized. Many went to the altars. It is our prayer that the Lord calls out from among these church leaders, workers, teachers & preachers.

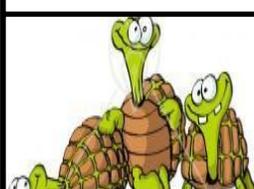
A forest fire reached the camp ground & the fire department came and put out the fire. But not before the Lord changed the direction of the wind which was a great help as the fire roared



LESLIE & ALBA PRIDAY

very tall, dry grass and pine trees.

The ladies conference theme was “extreme makeover.” 53 women registered. We had a great conference with ladies from four different states in the Honduras, seven different Baptist churches, two Evangelical churches, & a Catholic lady (who was saved). Mrs. Martha Johnson (who visited with husband Johnny & teen Jessica Hamilton, all from Victory Baptist Church in Weatherford, TX) was a great blessing with her teachings. She & her husband also ministered in our churches. We are very thankful to Pastor Charles Wetherbee & Victory Baptist Church for helping to finance the conference.



**John Hinton and family will not be returning as missionaries to Brazil.** Hinton stated in his letter of March 2010, that after prayer and fasting they believed it to be the will of God that they not return. Hinton wrote, "As soon as we were sure, I called as many pastors as I could to personally let them know. With many out of town and others unavailable, I was unable to contact every one. This letter is to let you know that we are resigning from the mission field, but will be looking for ministry in the States." Please keep them in your prayers. **The mission office will continue to forward all support designated to them through the end of May 2010.**

## News & Prayer Requests



**Mark & Tricia Haynes (Navajo Nation)** went to China to visit eldest daughter Michaela, Nick & the grandkids. At the beginning of their trip, their son, Joel, whose wife is expecting his first baby, was in a head-on collision on the reservation & was care flown to a hospital in Flagstaff, AZ. He has a dislocated hip & will be OK. The Haynes thank all who prayed for Joel. At around the same time, the earthquake hit China! Haynes wrote before he left, "Since our last report, we have had two services where the attendance was over 100! The van ministry is continuing to see new families come and many are getting saved. Almost every service has seen someone come to the Lord. Many of the new children have been saved. Pray for us as we follow up on these folks for baptism and discipleship. The Lord is directing us to make Ganado Baptist a training center for folks called into the ministry. There are no guarantees, but we have found out about two abandoned church sites that may be potential places to start other works for training men & women! One site is seven acres, which in unheard of here for a church site! Pray that we will use wisdom as to whether or not to try and acquire these two sites at some future date.

**True & Diana Hawkins (Brazil)** write, "Our trip back to Brazil after furlough went well with no hitches. I will be teaching six weeks of Poetical Books here in Manaus and helping the interior institutes. The Bible schools are all back in session. We hope to re-start the building projects at Beruri, Anori, KM 142, Presidente Figueiredo, & Iranduba as soon as the rain stops. We hope to begin the new project at Puru-Puru which is six hours from Manaus. The boat we usually use to go up to Anori sank this week on the Amazon so we'll need to repair it. There are lots of influences here with cults and demonic oppression here."

**Flo Martin (Guatemala)** "In Cantel, the Lord has been saving souls, especially around this time of the big church anniversary. This month after some preaching & teaching in the church four of them were baptized. Praise the Lord for the blessings that He is giving us. Keep praying for the church property because we haven't found anything yet. At Temple Baptist Church in San Juan Ostuncalco, Bro. Ottonief Gomez just finished the Sunday School rooms & invited other churches to celebrate & thank God for them. Keep praying for this church because they went into debt building the SS rooms. We pray that funds will come our way & that God will move mightily there."

**Daniel & Michelle Jones (Mexico)** received the gov't papers allowing them to build new facilities for the Bethesda Fundamental Baptist Institute, a 2,900-meter facility, parking, an auditorium, Sunday School buildings, & offices. It will be step by step. "We are moving and will not be on the internet for a while. The house to which we are moving is closer to the mission work and rent/other bills will be cheaper. They & others have been asking for prayers & funding (just write "building") when their neighbor decided to sell the property next door. Thanks giving to the Lord & neighbor Oscar Ortega! National preachers from two of the Jones's institutes have been led to Guatemala, Panama, NYC's Hispanic Bronx & the Huasteco Indians in Mexico. Others are taking steps towards South Africa, Japan, Argentina & Peru. These men will be valuable anywhere and if you are interested, contact Danny Jones through Worth church in Fort Worth. Satan has been at work attacking Michelle's health. She has been in & out of the hospital and has had surgery. Her fibromyalgia & grade two esophogitis are only a few of the health problems. Please pray against Satan for the restoration of her health, that the Lord will use the institutes and young graduates in a mighty way & for funds to help the perpetuation of all their churches & Bible institutes.

**Daniel & Tammy Coates (Guatemala)** write, "Praise the Lord for His Grace & Blessings during the first part of the year 2010! The church is doing well and enjoying steady growth. The Lord just added three more adult members to the Iglesia Bautista La Esperanza. Two are Bro. Oscar & Sister Marta. They are not married & have separated while the legal process followed. We are taking necessary steps to see them properly married. Hermana Lucila is an ex-Catholic nun who is currently living with us in our guest room. Every day she has questions about Bible doctrine & we covet your prayers for her spiritual growth." A short time ago there was a flash of lightening that hit a nearby roof where children were playing. When Daniel climbed up to the roof, he took off his jacket and handed it to somebody. His wallet and cell phone were in the pockets. Whoever he handed it to (he doesn't remember) discarded the jacket, but Tammy found when she went up there to be with Ruth, the mother. "I just can't imagine how someone could steal under those circumstances. But there are people who do it. They need Jesus!" The child died & was buried.

**Ted & Karin Johnson (Spanish-speaking San Antonio, TX)** write, "Since our last letter, we have been blessed by the Lord. We have seen the Lord's mighty work in our lives, providing for our needs, and giving us the opportunity to do something for His honor and glory. I have preached and Karin is playing the piano. The Corinthians Baptist Church (Iglesia Bautista Corintios) is a small church with a new pastor, Bro. Jose Luis Herrera. The Lord touched our hearts to start attending there. We are helping out in anyway we can to be available to serve Him. My new medical doctor has changed my medications. I am finally going to rehabilitation & will be receiving occupational therapy on my arm, hand, and foot. I am doing what I can with the help of the Lord. Thank you for your prayers and financial support for us and for our ministry.



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### Bible Verse

<sup>5</sup>This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. <sup>6</sup>If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: <sup>7</sup>But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. **1 John 1:5-7**