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Ministry Updates



Hap Stephenson

Things are changing at Little Lambs. In late fall, Charlotte Heston joined us on our Board of Directors. Now this month, we are delighted to welcome Hap Stephenson to the Board. Hap has been an ardent supporter of Little Lambs almost since our founding here in Sebring. Hap was a great friend to John and myself, a trusted advisor. Hap and Marcia are members of Bible Fellowship Church and life-long residents and business owners in our community. Hap is a passionate student of the bible and very concerned with outreach and active in his church. We look forward to serving with him as we have many decisions that will need to be made in the future. We'll have more about that next month.

We do want to report on the amazing recovery happening for Tom Johnson. Tom is our Thursday man with Charles Coriell. On New Years day, he suffered a very severe heart attack and his heart stopped 3 times that week. He was left with severe ventricular heart failure and sent home with a monitor / defibrillator. He was called the 'miracle man' by his doctor this week as all of his tests show tremendous progress and healing. His heart function went from 20% to 45% in two months! Of course, in January when this happened, they immediately went on a mainly raw food diet, lots of juices and no sugar, salt and flour. He is so relieved and feeling so much better. I am praising God that he is restoring Tom and will return them to Little Lambs.



This year we have lost some of our favored volunteers and now we are gaining some. Margie Delong has retired, along with Alberta Simms. They still grade at home but coming in is difficult. Through their efforts we have lots of SIM missionaries grading lessons: Bev Fawley, Marje Campbell, June Nilsen, and Martha Simms. Our hats and hearts off to these special people, serving the Lord until they can no longer stand!



Ramona (Monie) Motis Monie is from the SIM Village having served as a Missionary to East and West Africa. From South Dakota, and born again at a young age, she began her missionary career with her husband, Ben. Together they served for 33 years in several different African nations. She retired in 2001. Monie attends Bible Fellowship Church. She says that she felt a need to volunteer with Little Lambs after she heard about us. She says it is something that suits her and she really enjoys doing it. Monie comes in on Mondays and does office work and then takes home lessons to grade. She is also our courier to SIM volunteers with lessons for our graders there.

Doris Hill Doris was also a missionary to West Africa. From New York state, she became a candidate to missions in 1966. She served for 25 years as a teacher in the missionary schools in West Africa, before retiring at SIM Village. Doris is a 'snow-bird' now from Elmira, New York. While in New York, she is a volunteer at the County Jail in Elmira. She loves enter-acting with the inmates and enjoys being a part of the greater outreach. We hope she takes packets about the bible study back to Elmira when she is home and recruits students from the jail. Doris joins us on Thursdays for office work.





Gift to our Spanish School Maria and Santos Galarza, our Spanish volunteer graders, are standing beside a Toyota donated by Mrs. Beth Skipper for the couple. The Galarzas have been grading all our Spanish lessons for almost 10 years now. They are in the office every week on Thursdays and take home lots of work. Since Evangeline has been out with her sick husband, Maria has been translating and learning the computer. They were in need of a vehicle and as usual, God provided for them. Sammy & Ms. Beth Skipper, a long time supporter and part of our Grace Place program at her farm, gave us their trade-in! This will relieve so much financial pressure for the Galarzas. PTL



We receive many letters from our Spanish Students. They are usually very thankful and gracious for the lessons and encouragement we provide to them. Evangeline has always been very careful to answer all their letters and collaborate with me on the answers to difficult questions. She took great pains to explain and teach as she wrote. Her heart is definitely to minister Christ to them.

Thank you for sending my lessons. I received a miracle from the Lord Jesus Christ. My sentence was reduced from 84 months to 48 months and if God permits it I will be free on June 12, 2014. My family and I are very happy. I also want to let you know that my wife received Christ as her Lord and Savior on June 25 this year and I am very happy. She is Catholic and now Christ has been revealed to her. Jorge S.

Brothers in Christ, I thank you for the time I have spent with you in learning about the Lord, where you went, my partners, in the walking in the lessons; in the devotion and the dedication unto the Lord. Brethren, may God pour a shower of blessings over you and your ministry. Thank you for finding me and for bringing the presence of my Father.

Thanks, many thanks, for the gift that you have given me; you don't know how I desired and yearned for a study Bible like that one. Blessed by 'my God, who listened to my prayers; Brothers, I want to share my joy with you—this year is the year of a feast for me." the Lord gifted me with my Bible. Today he also gifted me with liberty; first of all I am leaving in November. Blessed by the Lord and brothers, I want to continue in communication with you. I am going to Mexico and there speak the Word to my people where there are places that need to be told about God and God will go with me. Now, I serve the Lord; and am going to do His Will. May God quard and keep you and bless

God bless you and may the give you each day, more love, more joy and strength.

I am grateful to God first of all for loving me in that way and thank you for helping me with these studies. This is a blessing for my life. God is preparing me through these studies to know more of God. At this time I have a great joy inside my heart and I can understand how God works with those whom the loves and those who look for that love. I believe that if I had not been caught and incarcerated I would not know God in the way that I am getting to know Him. I feel proud of serving God and that I am here, not because of what I did but because the has me here in a private college. Brother Luis.

From Rafael, Graduate Let me tell you, your beautiful and blessed studies were of much blessings for me because they helped me greatly. Brother and Sister, I received the Bible—what I desired with all my heart and which I will use as the Lord wants; I also received the diploma and the last study. Now I am looking for faithful servants who will be ready to enroll in your ministry.

I am going to tell you with all sincerity and honesty that the Lord has helped me in many ways while in this place. First of all He has strengthened me in a special way because I daily live from victory to victory, and second, He has been truly blessing me and my family so that I feel like a useful person. Many times people have come to me with requests or a sickness or finances or worried, etc. and I have prayed to our God and I have seen the answers come and that makes me feel like a person who is being used by the Lord so that His power is continued to be manifested. Brothers, I tell you these things because I am living them. Also, I wan to let you know that the Lord has taught as I read His word, studying it and meditating to be an honest, sincere, and confident person. When I say honest it is because when I begin something I finish it and sincere because as a servant of God and follower of Christ I hate lies, because as Christians we must not lie and in the personal, I believe that when a Christian lies the blessings are delayed and the waiting is longer to get an answer to our petition or prayer or healing or finances, they will not come on time. And confident because I have a big faith that when I pray to God, He is going to give me the answer and that is what had been happening for many years that I have lived deprived of physical liberty, but not spiritual, for in regard to the spiritual, the Lord always ahs been with me, as I sense Him and live, her in my walk, my talk, my thinking, my fruits and all the glory be for the Lord. Brother, I tell you this because in that way I live in victory in Jesus Christ. Amen. I am very much appreciative. Rafael

Hi, my name is Ivan, an inmate at Corcoran Prison. I'm only 21 years old. I'm a Christian and I love learning about God. I'm sentenced to 25 years in prison for something that wasn't the whole truth. I'm changing my life around and am an ex-gang member. It gets tough walking the Christian walk, especially in prison. A lot of people don't understand. But God is good all the time. I thank God that I am still alive. Its' crazy because a day before I got arrested I cursed God. Thank I landed in a cell with a note left behind that said to pray for his pregnant wife and son, Nathan. The note explained he was a lifer because he killed 2 persons. God has showed me so many sings

and blessings, I don't doubt anymore! The good news is I am saved and my appeal is looking good. A friend gave me our address and I want to do your bible study, to complete all 16 lessons. I really like that you have personal teaching, encouragement and love. Us inmates really need this. But I would like to speak for my-

self and say I need it!!. I humbly end this letter by thanking you once again for your time, help and your love. Respectfully submitted, Ivan A.



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