## Mission News



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To glorify God by
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Missionaries experience long and lonely separations from parents, relatives, friends, and customary support systems;

Living in unstable, disruptive, and potentially dangerous situations;

Becoming an alien and guest in a different society, subject to its norms and laws and the authority of its people;

Adopting the role of a servant, willing to assume humble and thankless tasks and ministries in partnership with national and expatriate colleagues;

The loss of financial security or career advancement, being content with less so that others may have more; Adjusting to posts of larger responsibility and harder work than accustomed, which may require self-discipline, flexibility and humility;

Raising a family and exposing one's children to these same risks and conditions;

Personal sacrifice and the potential of martyrdom for the sake of the gospel.

When missionaries prove themselves faithful servants of the Lord, they will find in Christ, in His Word, and in doing His will, a treasure, a joy and a strength that will far outweigh everything suffered for His Name.

From World Mission Prayer League

Have you prayed for a missionary today?



## Gloria



On the eve of my wedding I look back over my life. At age five my two sisters, brother and I were taken to the orphanage. We had been victims of the drug culture and abused. We slept outside of our

parent's hovel and ate from the trash; we never knew love from my parents.

When we arrived at the orphanage I felt like we were in paradise. They bathed me, gave me my own clothes and my own bed. It was beyond imagination. I was loved by my houseparents and so I learned the love of God, my Father.

I was given the opportunity to attend school, but had difficulty learning to read. I never thought I would finish elementary school, but was given hours of tutoring, and thanks to God I passed.

I am thankful for the outreach team which rescued my mother from addiction. She received Jesus Christ as her Savior. My brother passed away at age 15 and there were people who gave us the strength we needed.

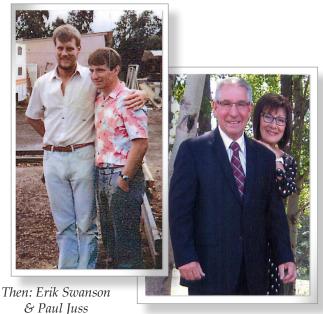
Thank you for teaching me the importance of family and the love of God. I will leave this place with thankfulness and gratefulness for all the blessings I have received in my life. You have planted love and a smile where there was only grief and sadness.

Charla, you will always be my Abuelita (Little Grandma).

*Editor's note:* Gloria married into a very good Christian family.



# Letters to PO Box 74000 Whatever Happened to...?

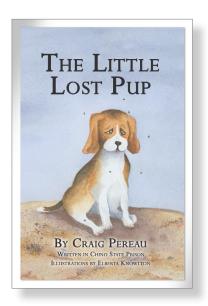


Today: Pastor Paul & Janice Juss

The lives of so many have been touched for good at the Baja Mission, and the fruit of your labor is beautiful and lasting. My life has been forever changed. *Paul Juss* 

I rejoice every time I read the Mission Newsletter. How amazing it is that from the ordinary, God Almighty makes the extraordinary. Here is my seed and I am declaring by faith that it will be multiplied like those fish our Lord Jesus prayed over. *Carolina Corona* 

After 60 years of marriage, my husband went to heaven. He would want me to be helping someone, so I got busy and sewed 21 pairs of pajamas and some nighties to send to the Mission and I plan to do more. It has been a good winter. Love and Prayers, Coreen Otto



I have received the joy felt within "The Little Lost Pup." Miraculous divine love is printed within these pages. It is a seed that can only produce good fruit of God's love and promise. Rescue is what I see in it. I will share this book with others and joyfully serve the Lord every day. Shawn and Natalie Shawn served many years in prison.

To the parents of Craig Pereau: an inmate was transferred out of another prison leaving his personal effects behind. He left a little book. It looked like a kids' book with great pictures. It was lights out, so I moved to the bars to catch the light from the corridor. Then on pages 25 and 26, I read MY story. I have "Pup" tattooed on my forearm. I was the lost pup. Many years ago Craig led me to Christ at Norco State Prison.

Editor's Note: Out of tens of thousands of prisoners in the California system, what amazing grace that God should deliver this little book to one of His pups. He remembers the least of these.

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Isai Garcia

In "God Among Us," Raul Garcia's heart-wrenching story is told... abandoned at age 5 in a bus station followed by years of suffering. He graduated from our Bible Institute and has faithfully continued his service. Raul's son, Isai, writes: "You have been

a great blessing to me and my family. I am now in the second year at the University of Tijuana. I give thanks to God for His blessings and for how much He loves us."

*Editor's Note*: Raul's story is in Chapter One of "God Among Us." A must read!

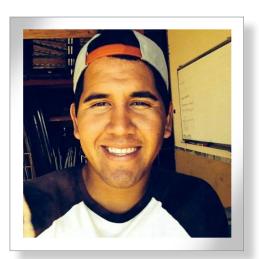
We celebrate the 50th anniversary of what God began in your hearts for the children, orphans, and widows of Mexico. *Ian and Elaine Croft* 

For more than 40 years you have been an influence in my life. Thanks for being a friend. I am blessed to be a small part.

Mark Larson, Cumberland MD

Editor's Note: Mark served at the Mission in the 70's. He and his wife, Hannah, were the first house parents at the T.J. House. Mark came to our rescue when our office was being refurbished. Thanks, Mark.

My mother, a single woman, fought to take care of me and my brothers, but her efforts were not enough. Often we went to bed hungry, we did not



Jorge Amarro

have clothes. We were on the streets. I did not attend school because I needed to take care of my brothers. One night my house burned down. The next day DIF (Mexican Social Services) arrived and my mother didn't show up so they took us to the orphanage. That is when my life changed; when my destiny took a 180 degree turn. There I spent the best years of my life.

I experienced God's love.

Without you, I would not be the young man I am today: with values of love, honesty, respect, and more. There are not words to tell you how grateful I am to you for obeying God and doing good for the children of Mexico who so need God.

I am grateful also for the second opportunity I am being given to attend the university. I blew it the first time, but I will show you now that your efforts for us are worth it.

Thank you so much. *Jorge Amarro* 



## **Proud Students**



Students in Oaxaca

### Aida Carrasco, Principal writes:

Excellent Christian education is provided at our children's homes. Art and sewing instruction are offered as electives in our primary school. Some of the boys have a keen interest in sewing and have no trouble learning this challenging technique.



Proud students with their completed project

In 6th Grade we are reading the story of George Mueller, "Father of the Fatherless," and in 5th Grade we are reading "Charla's Children." The children have a great ability to remember details and



Students in Oaxaca

the experiences of faithful men and women.



Delicious cake

We celebrated the 100th day of school in a park, starting with a devotional and 100 things for which to be thankful. We finished up with a delicious cake made by a housefather and the students.

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## Thank you, Father, for those who care!

May we introduce Glenda and Manuel Cruz. They are serving the Lord Jesus in Huajuapan de Leon, three hours north of Oaxaca, OX.

There are 75 families living in this place of abject poverty. Hunger is pervasive, homes are made of sticks and little-to-no education.



Manuel, Glenda & Elias

#### They are

providing Christian education to 35 children, which has opened the door to start a small church. You can contribute to their support online www.ffhm.org/sponsor/missionaries.

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By Steve & Linda Bartel

Eleanor Cowpersmith

By Hans & Brita Anderson

By Elmer Ignell By Inger Logelin

By Patty Cox

By Melvin & Alana Flake

By Gordon Kunz

Ramona Ignell

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By Debra Rustad

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By Jo Herendeen

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By Irene Dewar

Jim Johnston

By Chuck & Charla Pereau

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Arvid & Carol Andvaac & Family By Sonja Rinholm Janelle Keller's Birthday

By Rebecca Keller