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To glorify God by making disciples of Jesus Christ. To this end, we share and demonstrate God's love through the power of the Holy Spirit by meeting basic spiritual, emotional, physical, and educational needs of those in Mexico and beyond.

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Christians Persecuted

High up in the Sierra Norte region of Oaxaca, over 600 men, women, and children were driven from their homes. They walked 40 miles down a rugged dirt road to a place of refuge in San Pedro, Ocotepéc. Some of the men stayed behind to protect their homes. The anxious, fearful group of refugees was camped out at the municipal building. The children were traumatized. Pastor Emiliano Garcia and these Christians were persecuted, watched, and blamed for everything.

Ian and Elaine Croft took a group from Wainwright, Alberta, Canada and a truck load of donated food to the refugees. The women in the hosting town cooked and served these poor displaced people.

Allen Bechtel brought an anointed message of God's love in Spanish and the Holy Spirit moved in

a powerful way. Many came requesting ministry.

Please pray for the misplaced, persecuted people. There is no word as to when they can return to their homes.

Allen and Claudette posted on Facebook, "Wow! It was a 5-hour trip to the remote region. An overnight stay, but we can't stop giving thanks. Definitely an upper room experience."



Elaine Croft



Angels from Canada



Dirk and Mary Kos left Holland and immigrated to Alberta, Canada. Dirk worked distributing equipment to the disabled.

They volunteered to chaperone students from Strathcona Academy in Alberta on a trip to our Baja Mission. They would never be the same again after seeing the plight of the disabled in Mexico. They made several trips each year bringing wheelchairs and other goods. Dirk sent impassioned letters to our Board – “Please consider the needs of the destitute disabled.” The Angel Ministry was launched, providing wheelchairs customized for the rough desert terrain.

Disabled children were locked in and left unattended while their parents worked in the fields. There was no educational opportunity. Thus, the Disabled Children’s Learning Center was birthed. Life skills were taught to these little ones. We soon found some had an aptitude for learning more. Now several are studying elementary and junior high curriculum.

This has been a year of much learning, of challenges, and unexpected successes. Girls are

learning how to sew and are making pajamas. There are artists in the group. Several teachers received their certificate as sign language interpreters. Please continue to pray for students, teachers, and the bus drivers.

The staff and children of Strathcona Academy have raised funds for building and equipping a computer lab for all our children at the Baja Mission.



Disabled Children’s Learning Center

Send Angels to Sinaloa



There are 12,500 orphaned children as a direct result of the drug war in Sinaloa. We believe God called us to build a children's home for these destitute little ones. We will also expand our outreach to the migrant camps in Culiacan and to the south.

The migrant workers come from every state in Mexico. Thousands of farm laborers are trapped for months at a time in rat-infested camps, often without beds, and sometimes without functioning toilets and a reliable water supply. Some camp bosses illegally withhold wages and prevent workers from leaving during peak harvest periods. They work six days a week for the equivalent of about \$8 a day or less.

David Colwell is in the process of construction of housing for work groups and ministry teams

Child evangelism in the migrant camps.

which will be coming to Sinaloa. The Board has chosen a beautiful piece of property for the children's home. Through very generous donations, we now have one half of the purchase price. Please join us in prayer and consider contributing.



(Above) Families in a migrant camp.

(Below) The property we plan to purchase to build a new children's home.



Ministering Angels

By Graciela Vazquez
Cordoba

The cold and winter rains have come to the Baja desert. We have distributed countless blankets, quilts, and tarps. In a back corner of the warehouse, a hidden treasure was found ... two boxes of jackets, sweaters, and hats for His little ones.

Are you aware that people live in garbage dumps? Our Outreach team prepared a hot meal for these poor souls and gave them blankets.

The Outreach team distributed 268 boxes of food to single moms with children, the aged, and the infirm.



Stephanie Roberts serving at the Breakfast Club

The boxes contained oil, beans, rice, and flour for tortillas, which are all the staples of their lives.

There was a continual stream of people into our Mission soup kitchen. Between 100 and 200 daily breakfasts were served to the children at the Breakfast Club in Las Aves.

Our young people from the mission church held a "sweaterthon." They collected sweaters, jackets, and warm clothing to distribute to those living in San Francisco, an isolated area near the mountains where it is very cold. Hot chocolate, homemade donuts, and the love of God was served.

Without your support, none of this could be accomplished.



Distributing boxes of food from Children's Hunger Fund to single moms



Giving blankets in the camps

An Angel Dispatched from China



Bryan Woosley working on the new mail room addition

The newsletter you are holding in your hand is one of 10,000 sent to supporters in the United States. Have you ever wondered who puts on those little seals? Each month, Chuck Pereau spends approximately 60 hours at our dining room table doing just that. He is surrounded by boxes stacked four feet high.

Peter Bianchini, Chairman of our Board, witnessed this daunting task and purchased a tabbing machine that would do this in a few hours and had it shipped to our office. The machine did not fit on the dining room table. There was no space in the office. Could we enclose an area of the warehouse?

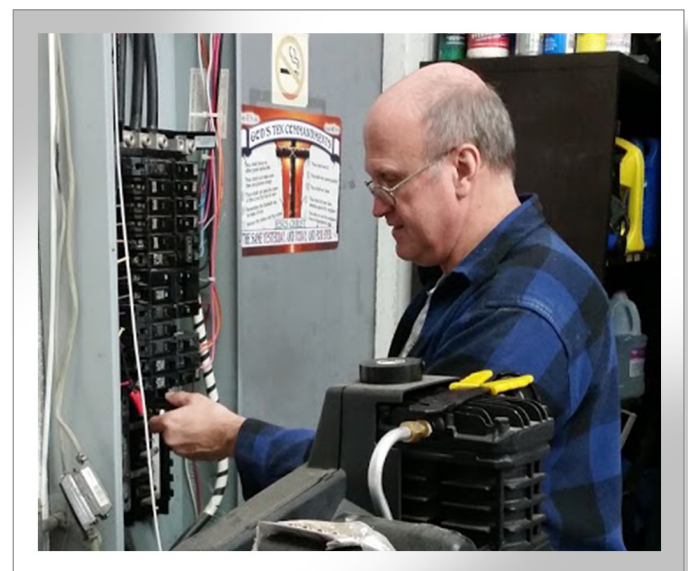
Brian Woosley, an old friend of the ministry, just “happened” by. I had a wonderful plan for Brian’s life. Brian is a multi-talented builder. He looked at the size of the tabbing machine and the space available in the warehouse. He said, “This will work,” and made a list of the necessary tools for this ambitious project.

In times of acute needs, there are two men I call – Pastor Leland Lantz and John Alvarez.



Chuck Pereau and Peter Bianchini with Aldo Zavala setting up the new tabbing machine

“Do you have tools?” Both men delivered required tools before nightfall. And Brian, a perfectionist, went to work erecting the walls and installed the electric wiring. With Chuck as the gopher, Brian completed the job which normally would have taken a crew of men. And Brian got on a plane and flew back to Guangzhou, China, where he is presently serving as an ESL teacher.



Bryan Woosley wiring the electric in our new mail room



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