

# Les and Jane Zerbe

Missionaries in Costa Rica

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Dear friends,

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We are grateful this Christmas to be able to give to all of our supporters a Christmas gift—a church “Graduation.” Church graduation to indigenous status should be the goal of every missionary effort. The Apostle Paul was our example. He preached and saw people saved and baptized; taught sound doctrine and fortified the church against error and to graduate to indigenous status. The “horse barn church” which was on our property in Costa Rica is now operating on their own, making their all their own decisions in their chosen location. See the Thank You note on the back.

In 1980, Jane and I had to leave Liberia, West Africa, because of a civil war, but remaining are several indigenous fundamental Baptist churches.

Now we start the process all over again in Costa Rica. Meantime, young people from churches in Central America will be coming here for youth rallies. These are the future leaders of the next generation of indigenous churches.

Please note: It is the inanimate being used to reach the animate.

Please note: In Africa, it was the airplane and the four-year Bible School (the inanimate) that made it possible for 130 pastors (the animate) who are still pastoring churches after a bloody civil war. It was the airplane again (the inanimate) and gasoline (the inanimate) that made an indigenous church possible.

In Costa Rica, the inanimate was the airplane, gasoline, sparkplugs, etc., etc., a 125 cc Suzuki motorcycle, my mother’s recipe of homemade bread pudding, a one-hundred-year-old horse barn converted into a beautiful church, and American dollars from caring Christians in the U.S.A. that makes it now possible for this church to go indigenous after 9 years.

“Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, and for thy truth’s sake.” Psalm 115:1 KJV



An audio clip of these Costa Rican young people singing will soon be posted on our website [www.farnorthflyingchaplain.com](http://www.farnorthflyingchaplain.com).



An animate white and black cow eats green grass, fertilizes the grass, and makes inanimate white milk and cream for coffee, and the missionary is blessed. (Les learned to milk a cow when he was six years old!)

Blessings of the Season,

Les and Jane Zerbe

Señor **SAM SEZ:**  
“I was raised in a middle-class family...”





IGLESIA BAUTISTA

# VICTORIA



Atenas - Alajuela, Costa Rica

Dear Brother Les and Sister Jane Zerbe,

Victory Baptist Church would like to thank you for the opportunity to start our church on your property.

We also appreciate very much the generous love offering toward the purchase of the new property for our church.

Please continue to pray for us as we move forward for the cause of Christ.

Our folks have signed this thank you letter and appreciate your kindness over the years.

Thank you again and may the Lord bless you folks greatly.

Sincerely,

Pastor Aicle Dore Jr.  
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Atenas, Costa Rica

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Thank you for everything  
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