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Missionaries in Costa Rica

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Greetings from Atenas, Costa Rica, where it's not cold!

We heard Chicago was colder than Alaska! In Chicago folks were told to try to keep wild or feral cats from freezing, but in New York the governor wants to kill babies after they have been born! What a country! Or do we only have a facsimile of the original? I'm quite sure Ocasio - Cortez and Nancy Pelosi are examples of New York and DC brain freeze. Once that happens, the neurons don't flow quite as they should! There are a couple of things about Costa Rica you may not know. Abortions are not allowed here and there are no illegal immigrants coming from Costa Rica to the USA. Go figure!

The practical need for a “boot camp” and “vocational training center” for Millennial missionaries has really taken hold! As you recall the \$35,000 needed for this building all came in one week!

Trump and China together in this unexpected trade war has slowed us down, but only slightly. It has affected our Vocational School building project. Metal roofing which comes out of China has risen in price for our size building, to a \$4720.00 increase. Our mistake was in not purchasing the roofing when you first gave \$35,000. We thought the roofing might get stolen, so we held off on purchasing it. Then the trade war came. “The best laid plans of mice and men...!”

I thought I would have to find a money tree for the \$4,720 needed for the added cost of the roof, but there was a work team here of 15 people from a church in Indiana working on various Improvement projects. I was in my office writing another “beg letter” when the work team through their church said they would provide \$5,000 for the roof! The roof was quickly installed on the 100 by 50-foot Vocational School building in 2 days!

In the whole scheme of things, this structure has gone up rather quickly. The concrete, for example, does not get delivered in a mixer truck; it is hand-mixed in a wheelbarrow and poured out section by section.

Rainy season is around the corner, but with the roof on, we can start to run electricity to the building, build some security bars to keep night thieves out, put in the toilets which the children from a church in the DC area bought for the project, put in a septic system so we can hook up the toilets the young people from the DC area provided, purchase a table saw, and build a secure tool room. “Tools just seem to take feet anywhere in the world, including the USA!”

I will also need a coffee pot at the school—some of the best coffee in the world is grown nearby here. Starbucks has a plantation and processing plant about a mile from the school. Our Atenas coffee is better than Starbucks!!



Jane likes to gather the girls in the kitchen to make cookies and talk about spiritual things. Eight little girls rolled out dough and cut out hearts for Valentine's Day. Some of their moms got involved too. Ladies visiting from Indiana helped keep an eye on the oven, the decorating, and gave a devotional. At last, our little bakers had plates of cookies to share with their families as a reminder of God's love.



Maria's Valentine cookies

We plan to start a bus ministry with "Rocky" the bus real soon. Would we walk two to four miles in the rain or hot sun to go to church and walk home again? I doubt it. Several of our families have children who are small and needing to be carried (like the caravans heading to Texas). How many people can fit in a 30-passenger bus?



A church in Alaska just gave me another 30-passenger bus that's in really good shape. I am checking to learn if shipping it here and the duty dollars required to do this would be prohibitive. Right now, the property, "horse barn church," "Rocky the bus," the 125cc Suzuki motorcycle, the 2002 Suburban, the fellowship hall, the hospitality cabins, the new school building—the entire place--is debt free.



Newly donated bus in Fairbanks, AK

Thanks for all your help and your concern for this worthy project. Should you like to give towards this project, please send to CMC with a note "Les Zerbe Vocational school." "Lord, you know what is needed to 'git 'er done."

To keep this ministry effective for hopefully long enough to see the Lord's return, we have put the entire property in a trust which states in part that the entire property shall be used for a church, conference center, hospitality center and vocational school for Millennial missionaries. It can never be sold or subdivided. The trust in this area cannot be changed for any reason by the board of directors in the future.

Respectfully yours,

Les and Jane Zerbe

SENOR SAM SEZ:

"If we could raise the men from the dead who wrote the Bill of rights, and listed certain inalienable rights, "the first listed as the right to life;" what do you suppose the Founders would recommend to America as an answer to God for the death of around 65 million babies."



P.S. Heaven has a big, beautiful wall, pearly gates, and extreme vetting. Hell has open borders.

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