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Dear Ones in Christ,

As all of us are aware, all is not well in the world or the United States today. All things considered, things are going relatively well in Costa Rica, in regards to the church and the progress in the school. As you know, we are trying to get a nice 30 passenger bus, recently donated in Fairbanks Alaska, to Costa Rica for the church and Vocational School for Millennial possible missionaries.



There is one highway from Alaska to the lower 48 states and it's closed through Canada. As I write this letter, the Canadian border is still closed and has been for a year.

The virus has affected many areas of life, and it has slowed tourism in Costa Rica as well. Therefore, a good number of 30 passenger tour buses in Costa Rica are for sale at this time and quite cheap due to the closing of the country to tourism for quite a while. The advice I'm getting is that maybe I should sell the bus in Alaska and use the funds to purchase another bus in Costa Rica from a bankrupt company.

I'm also told that even a new parking brake system on this bus that we have in Alaska may not pass inspection in Costa Rica. Also, the government customs and duty people in Costa Rica are not going to work because of the virus, possibly causing the bus to be liable for storage fees at the dock that we might not be able to afford. Therefore, we could lose the bus just over the storage fees.

So now I'm asking you partners in this worthy cause not to send any more funds, because moving the bus is on hold. All things being equal, with no serious breakdowns on the highway, we have received fuel money enough to drive the bus to the barge in Miami, Florida, but the trying times in which we live have caused us to rethink and to adjust our plans to meet the need of the hour. One can ignore reality, but one cannot ignore the consequences of ignoring reality. The reality may be to sell the bus in Alaska and buy another one in Costa Rica.

The United States and its monetary system appears to be heading for rough times ahead. John Adams in 1826 foresaw the consequences of this type of a monetary system. He said "There are two ways to conquer and enslave a nation. One is by the sword; the other is by debt." Truly being a patriotic American is not a spectator sport.



Thank you so much for your care and concern for the ministry in Costa Rica.

Your representatives in Christ,

Les and Jane Zerbe.

P.S. As I write this letter all hospital beds in Costa Rica in have a covid patient in them, so the virus is still a problem in Costa Rica.

A few thoughts from last week's readings:

Did you know the Chinese people rarely eat bats? Since the demand for bat meat in the market was rare, there were no bats in the market during the time when the virus began spreading.

Did you know that more than a year ago, several workers in the Wuhan Lab were sick with Covid type symptoms?

And that the wife of one worker died with Covid type symptoms?

Did you know that Dr. Fauci told a group of medical people a year ago that it was possible for a virus under study in the Wuhan lab to escape the lab?

Señor Sam Sez:
"As goes the U.S. economy, so goes support for missions."



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