

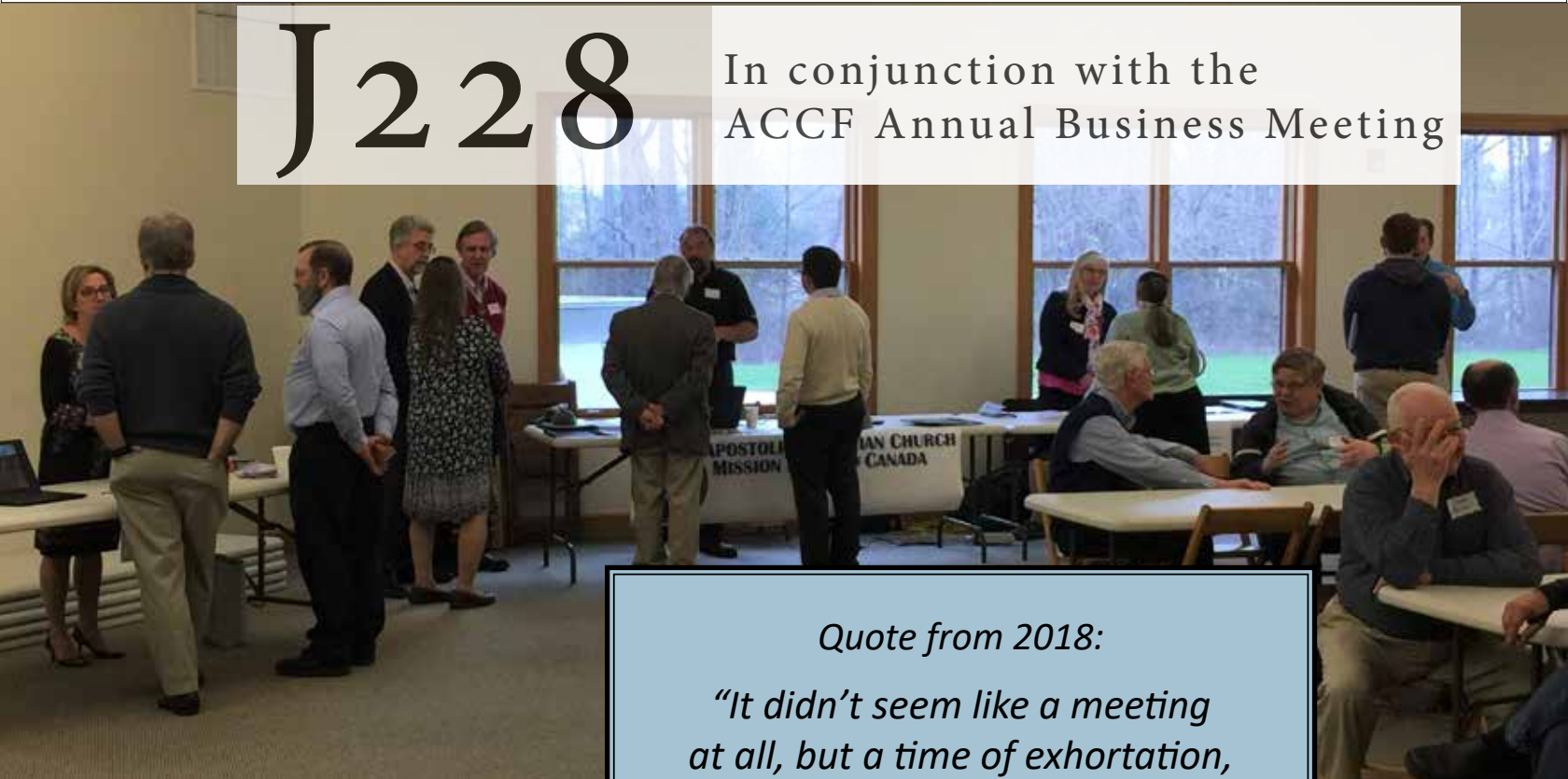


ACCF NEWSLETTER

News and Events from the
Apostolic Christian Church Foundation

J228

In conjunction with the
ACCF Annual Business Meeting



Quote from 2018:

*"It didn't seem like a meeting
at all, but a time of exhortation,
fellowship, testimonies, sharing of
information, and learning."*

Saturday, April 27, 2019

8:30 Registration and coffee, **9:00 Start**

Beverly Hills Apostolic Christian Church
19400 W 13 Mile Rd; Beverly Hills, Michigan

All are welcome, but please let your ACCF Rep and Bro. Jeffrey Dudlets know if you are planning to attend. dudlets@comcast.net or 734.675.3784

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Papua New Guinea

(South Pacific)



since with each new endeavor, everything takes a long time to organize and get the correct church Brothers involved.

Greetings to all the Brothers and Sisters in North America.

We thank God and each one of you that have been praying for our Brethren in PNG and have also helped financially. The families have gone through a lot of adjustments in their lives since the major earthquakes in 2018. It will be a year that will never be forgotten from two sides. One being that complete landscapes in areas will forever be changed due to the earthquakes, and the other is remembering how you all reached out to them in a difficult time and reminded them through your

using the funds from North America. This will be a long process but as you can see from the pictures, we have started cutting lumber. The lumber is being cut using the church sawmill. The Brethren cut lumber, then send a list to North America, along with pictures, which we then pay the agreed-upon price (depending on the size

There are still a few churches that are built in areas that get flooded, as you can see in the



picture with the 8 Mile church in Port Moresby. The easiest solution at this time, would be to bring in about 30

loads of gravel to raise the building enough so as to not be under water every time there are heavy rains. The Gravel costs would be about \$3,000, for which they are still praying.



of lumber) so there is good record keeping. We currently have cut timbers for the Pulim church and are starting on timbers for Pastor Joseph Peter's house.

generous giving of rice, that God has not forgotten them.

We have now started to rebuild the Pastor houses and church buildings

The Good News Christian Church also appreciates the loan we have given them for the Dyna truck which is being utilized to transport lumber and other items over their rugged terrain. We will report on this more later



Mexico

(Central America)



John 20:21- Then said Jesus..Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.

Dear co-laborers in the Lord:

Considering this verse, we think of the brethren who started sharing the Gospel here in Mexico 50 years



ago and have gone on to their eternal reward. Perhaps there was a lot less violence at that time, but we rest in the promise of Christ to his disciples, that His peace will uphold us. We have a new president this year in Mexico, higher salaries and lower gas prices, so our prayer is that we can lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness.

CARAVAN The caravan that arrived in Tijuana is an hour away from us. The people here pray that God will have mercy on them. We had a few attending church for a few weeks asking for food, but at the present, not much spiritual interest, nor interest in working in Mexico. The way it affected us the most is when the border closed in Tijuana, many cars came to Tecate, which made for some waiting times of 2-5 hours for crossing the border.

BIBLE STUDIES We are having home Bible studies with some who are

hungering and thirsting for God's Word. Please pray with us for these families, that they will have a true conversion, become part of the family of God, and be true to the end.

VBS As is our custom, we had VBS in August in Tecate and San Jose. May the Lord bless the brethren from California, and Brunswick Hills who came to serve, brought prizes for both Tecate and San Jose, and led a youth choir so that they can better praise the Lord. This year in San Jose, Bro. Marcelo, who has shared the Word there for 10 years, had a call from a young man thanking him for sharing Christ with him. He is now baptized and leading a youth group in Hermosillo, Sonora. He says he is so thankful that he first heard the Word at our VBS, and God worked a miracle in his heart. There were up to 350 children and adults in San Jose this year. A van full from Tecate and Magdalena went there to help.

ENGAGEMENTS AND WEDDING We rejoice in God's blessing of marriage for a few of our members. In July, the engagement of Sis. Melody Cervantes

was announced to Bro. Jonathan Kurtz of Ancaster. They were married November 17th, and she moved to Canada. Bro Marcelo Ambriz, who lost his dear wife Sis. Maria almost 2 years ago, was engaged to Sis. Lupita Marquez. They will be married, Lord willing, on February 23rd, in Tecate. We pray for God's blessings on these homes, that they will together be able



to share the light of Christ to this dark world.

LITTLE HANDS ORPHANAGE Some of the members from our congregation try to support this work, though it may seem insignificant. Recently the youth of the church spent one Saturday evening there in Sis. Rebekah Florica's

home singing praises, and sharing what they are thankful for. Many of the youth were touched, and what a blessing for the little ones who were being raised without a



Mom and Dad, to see the love of our Lord expressed in believers.

With thanks to the Lord and all of you,

Jose and Cathy Cervantes

Nepomuceno

(Brazil)



Dear Friends,

Hello! Over the course of the past few years, Brazilian legislation has changed regarding orphanages and the care of troubled youth and abandoned children. According to the current laws, when a child comes to our home, they are only allowed to stay for one and half years and by the end of this time are expected to leave our home and return to their family or be placed with an adoptive family. The idea is to avoid having children live here at the home from the time they are little until they are 18, and then have nowhere to go or no one to support them once they legally have to be out on their own. Due to this legislation, our work here at the home has significantly changed. We have to be proactively working with the families or seeking out adoptive families, along with providing care for the children during their stay here at the home. Thankfully, the Lord has given us grace and wisdom as we carry out these new responsibilities and we are grateful for the work He has done in the families of some of our boys.

One example is that of the Borges brothers. Euler, Alessandro, Ruan, and Luiz Fernando were removed from their mother's care in February 2017 due to neglect and her involvement with drugs and alcohol. All of the boys arrived malnourished and in need of limits and loving discipline. The greatest challenge for our team was learning to care for and deal with Alessandro, our first deaf and mute boy. However, after a few weeks of consistent, loving care and correction, the boys were doing

really well. Their mother was also taking measures to get her boys back. She entered into a rehabilitation facility and started out doing well. After about 7 months, we discovered that the social service department from the mother's hometown had filed a petition with the judge to remove her parental rights and release the boys for adoption. However, we saw that the mother was trying and really wanted her boys back, so we filed a counter petition and thankfully, the judge agreed with our assessment and decided to give the mother a chance. The boys' mother completed her rehab in October and they started to go for weekend visits. In December of 2018, the judge approved of their return and they permanently went back to live with their mother. We went to visit them



Borges brothers with their mom

made a few more follow-up visits and are thankful to see that they seem to be doing well adjusting to life back at their home and that the mother seems to be doing well caring and providing

for her four children. We praise God for the work that He is doing in their lives and ask that you keep this family in your prayers during this time of continued adaptation.

Another example is that of the Zacharias brothers.

Diogo, Kauã, and Maycon arrived at our home in September 2013. Their parents were also involved with drugs and alcohol and they were removed due to neglect. The three boys arrived very rebellious, especially the youngest two. Maycon, arrived as a 5 year old whose primary vocabulary was made up of swear words. As time went on, we saw great improvements in their behaviors and attitudes. Their baby



Zacharias Brothers (Diogo, Kauã, and Maycon)

unannounced one Sunday, a few weeks after their return, and we found that they were not home but were attending a local church's morning Sunday School class. We waited until they returned from church and enjoyed a short visit with them. We have

brother, João Lucas, who had been living with an aunt, came to the home as a two month old in May 2014. After many failed attempts to work with the parents and encourage them to leave behind their lives of drugs and work to get back their children, it was decided to move forward with the adoption route. In 2015, the judge removed the parental rights and the boys were released for adoption. João Lucas was adopted in August 2015 and Maycon was adopted in December 2015. Diogo and Kauã were presented with the opportunity to be adopted by an older widow in 2016, however, they chose to stay at the home, and due to their age, the judge honored their decision.

In 2017, we began hearing reports that their birth parents had come to know the Lord and were no longer involved with drugs and alcohol. We entered into contact again with the parents and the transformation in their lives appeared to be genuine. They began



Brogio Brothers (Davi and Gabriel)

attending a local church and contacted us about the possibility of having Diogo and Kauã return to live with them. Due to the fact, though, that the judge had removed their parental rights, this option was legally impossible. However, we serve the God of the impossible and the new judge was

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willing to take on this case and do all he could to reverse this situation. We continued to work with the parents and prayed that the judge would be able to find a loophole. During this time, the boys began to have visits with their parents on the weekends.

In December 2018, their brother Maycon, who was adopted three years ago, was given back by his adoptive family under claims that they could no longer control him. Since Brazilian law allows for adoptive families to return a child, we took Maycon back in and have been working with him, showing him the Father's love, and praying for healing from this rejection. Maycon has now been joining his brothers on the



Vitor

visits to their parents and while he is more challenging than his brothers are, the parents seem to be handling him well and are thankful for the potential opportunity to have him back as well. We are still waiting on and praying that the judge will be able to reverse the decision to remove the parental rights and are grateful he is even willing to try. We praise God for the transformation He has brought about in the parents' lives and pray that the boys will be able to return to

their parents in the near future.

We also ask for your prayers for the Brogio brothers who were removed from their

mother's care this year, but now may have the opportunity to live with their grandmother. Also, for Vitor, who was at the home from 2014-2016 before returning to live with his mom. However, after continued neglect, he was permanently removed in 2017 and brought back to our home. He recently completed a DNA test to discover who his father is and we are working on building a relationship between the two so that one day Vitor can go live with his father.

Please pray for each of our boys' futures, for wisdom and discernment for our team as we make decisions and report our assessments to the judge, and that during the time these boys are entrusted to us they will continue to learn the truths of God's Word and come to know His unfailing love.

Thank you for supporting us in prayer and financially! Your help in these ways is vital to our ministry and we appreciate you. May God bless you!

In Him,

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Paraguay

(South America)



Kids camps

For three years, a group of us at church were studying a course on how to prepare kid's camps and this year we were able to plan, set up, prepare the lessons and work through what we learned. We had some help from Roger, Patty and Luke Webel who organized all of the games for our two camps: 7-9 year olds and 10-13 year olds.

One of the moms sent me a picture of her younger daughter doing devotions after camp, thanking us for taking the time to teach them the discipline of reading God's Word and listening to His voice.

We had a total of 66 kids this year, and more than half of them are from our neighborhood and drawn by our social project, Escuela de Vida. We are thankful for your donations, and though we were not able to make the shirts as planned, every child left camp with a Bible. Thanks so much for your prayers and support.

Right after camp, we had a special family event. Brandon's wedding! It was a beautiful moment committing their hearts one to another and to God for guidance in their relationship. Both families witnessed as a wonderful, new family was created. They are planning on living in Paraguay for one year.

Escuela de Vida enrollment began on Sunday. The whole month of February we will be working on our after school program for this year. We pray that we will reach or pass last year's goal of 40 kids learning Biblical principals that will

transform their lives.

Danna has been attending Sunday school for five years. There are certain activities that must be done at 12



years of age in the national religion. Danna insisted that she does not go to that church, her church is the Apostolic Christian Church - Las Garzas. Her mom let her decide and she has been faithful in coming to all of our church's activities, as well as Escuela de Vida.

The wonderful news is that now her parents are coming every Sunday to services and they are very touched

by God's Word. Danna is also bringing her little cousin and other friends from the neighborhood, and taking the Gospel story home while living a beautiful example of a disciple and an evangelist.

Matias lives in front of my house. He is a very active 8 year old who has also been coming to Sunday School and Escuela de Vida for 5 years. Because of a recent trial that the family is suffering through sickness, Matias' mom, grandmother and uncle are all

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walking in steps of faith to know God more, coming to church, and growing in faith. Pray for Matias' uncle. His health is not good and we are praying for a

miracle.

Thanks for your prayer support and financial gifts. We praise God for all of you.

Oscar and Karen Caballero:
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David Platt once said, "Orphans are easier to ignore before you know their names; but once you know, everything changes." We have found this true for ourselves, and would venture to say that anyone else who has visited the Lifesong Harmony School (or any other ministry serving vulnerable children), would agree. Everyone knows there is an orphan crisis. However, something dramatically changes once you meet these children for yourself. Suddenly, the statistics become faces who have names, favorite colors, and remarkable stories. Although we would love for every one of you to come visit us and see what God is doing here in Zambia for yourself, we know that isn't possible. That is why we have started donor correspondence, so you can still "meet" the child you are sponsoring. We want you to still be able to recognize their faces and names, still know their favorite color, and still hear their stories, even if an ocean separates you.

Things are busy over here in Zambia, as always. In January we welcomed 60 new students, bringing our total number up to approximately 600! Construction has been constant between the high school block, home economics classrooms, and now preparing to build the vocational school as part of LHS! Our goal is to not only provide students with academic knowledge, but to also teach them practical and transferable skills to improve their daily life. The Lifesong Girl's Boarding Home is occupied by 25 girls, and although we are saddened that there is need for a home like this, we are thankful that God has provided it



Zambia

(Africa)

and hopeful for how He will use it in the community. Above all that, our ultimate goal is to teach the gospel to our students, which is why there are daily devotions, discipleship classes,

Chapel time, and one-on-one counseling at school. While education is important, salvation is essential, and therefore our greatest desire for each student.

We would also like to share a story with you, and it starts off like this: Imagine lying on a dirt floor with no mattress in a one-room house with

no electricity, no running water, and almost no food, while flies buzz around your head. Oh, and did I mention you've been doing this your entire life? This is a little piece of Mary's story, a 13-year-old girl we met in the Compound not too long

ago. Mary is disabled and she cannot move or talk. She has a mother and father who do their best to care for her, but they are extremely poor and struggle

to find food, let alone get her the medical attention she needs. After visiting her family, we knew we had to do something – anything – to improve her living conditions and help her stay as healthy as possible. So, when the construction team came in August, we made Mary's home the priority. By the



end of the 2 weeks, she had her own room with a bed, a door wide enough for a wheelchair to get through, and her family had a solar panel installed on the roof to provide electricity. We also instructed Martha (who is the older sister to one of the girls at the boarding home) to care for her, with the understanding that she wouldn't make moonshine (alcohol) anymore and instead care for Mary full-time. Alcohol has destroyed so many lives here, yet because of it's demand, many people in the village make it as a source of income. Martha agreed, and now Mary gets food and care from Lifesong. We are grateful for the Lord showing us this need and how to get involved.



In closing, pray about how you can become involved, specifically regarding these needs:

-Another Girls Boarding Home - \$100,000 for 25 vulnerable girls

-Child Sponsorships \$40/month X 240 students still needing sponsorship

-Rain Boots for our students that need them during rainy season, as their feet get soaked! \$5,000 to buy 600 pairs of rain boots!

With love, The Delic's

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At the beginning of this New Year, we say the Hebrew blessing quoted at Jewish Festivals: *"Blessed are You, LORD our God, King of the universe, Who has kept us alive, sustained us, and enabled us to reach this season."* He has faithfully brought us to this point of time and now we need His wisdom for each tomorrow. *"So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."* Psalm 90:12

Summary of special events in 2018 follow:

In April we assisted in hosting a Passover presentation with the help of our local colleagues and had an enthusiastic response from the community.

Next, our son Tim and his wife Karen who have residence in the USA visited us on their way to Papua New Guinea where they are counselors to Bible Translators in a ministry they have called *"Taking Care Beyond"*. They were a wonderful blessing to us in helping us clean and downsize our home and decided that our 28 year old Mazda needed an upgrade. They found a 2007 Subaru Forester for us and helped to purchase it. It is such a blessing and so much easier to drive.



Following this, we had a short visit in Cairns from the ACC mission director in Canada, Willie Ritzmann, who is doing a fantastic job of filling in

the gap for us in PNG. He visits yearly and often has a small team and on his return stops in to give us an update.

We then had a visit from our daughter Michelle who serves in Brazil along with her husband. They are directors of HOPE MINISTRIES, a great ministry that reaches out to people in remote areas on tributaries of the Amazon River. During her visit, she was a great blessing in going through office files with me some of which were 20 years old! During this time she also encouraged us to come to live with them in Brazil where they are preparing an apartment for us and will care for us in our *"latter age"*. They have 7 children who with their spouses are either in medical training or have their degrees in nursing along with 1 who is a doctor. They have a medical boat that they go out on to hold clinics for people that have had no medical help or teaching from God's Word.

The home and care they have offered us is a great blessing and we feel is from the Lord. We will pursue it at the right time when He opens the door for us which may be as early as mid 2019.



Our eldest son, Mike, continues in his prophetic/evangelistic ministry and has been in the Philippines, Canada,

Brazil and the USA this past year. He keeps intermittent contact with us by mail or phone.

In August, we celebrated our 66th wedding anniversary and renewed our wedding vows with each other, *"...till death do us part!"* We have

had an awesome life together and are ready to enter eternity whenever He calls us Home, but we pray it could be together!

In November, Elsie who does 99% of our driving had to have her worst cataract removed so she could continue to hold her license. Our son, Jim came from the USA to be with us during her recovery period and took over driving for us as well as helped with multiple household tasks. Victor is next in line for cataract removal in March this year as he has difficulty reading even with a magnifying glass!

We take part in and recognize the Jewish Festivals as we are able to, as well as the Christian special days related to our Lord Jesus. We participate in a monthly Israel prayer meeting and for the Jewish Hanukkah; Victor was still able to blow the shofar at 88 years of age!



Please pray for us as 2019 will bring about some big changes for the 2 of us and we need to hear the voice of the Spirit for working out the details. We realize that at this stage of our lives of 88 and 85, we no longer can travel in international ministry. In the community where we live, we can still be lights and witnesses to those about us but we need to cease our registration of South Pacific Island Ministries, Inc. as a tax exempt organization. This will bring about an end to all the meetings and paper work that Elsie as secretary has done since the year 2000! Our final date for the Incorporation closure will be on March 2, when we meet with our SPIM Board Members for the last time—they will be coming from various areas of Australia and our two USA reps will also be here for the event. In some ways, it is a bit sad but also as we reflect on all the doors of ministry He has opened for us in

these past years. We can only praise Him and realize the closure is necessary as we adapt to changes in our latter years. Even though donations can no longer be sent to South Pacific Island Ministries, Inc., if you are led to do so, you could still send any gifts to Victor and Elsie Schlatter for the limited ministry we are still capable of doing (Note details at the end of our letter).

The 2nd big change will be moving to Brazil to be with Michelle and her family. We believe His Spirit is giving us confirmation that this is His plan but the time and details will still need to be worked out. We do know that, "...with God nothing shall be impossible." ~ Luke 1:37

We thank each of you for the wonderful support you have given us through the years and for your faithful love and prayers. You are symbolic of the Lord's army that gave us the victory in every circumstance we faced.

With Ongoing Love and Blessings in Him,

*The Schlatters ~
Victor & Elsie*

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Canaan Land Ministries

(Brazil)



Dear Loved Ones,

We have rolled into another year and even entered the second month of that year. Time passes so quickly. It seems that what we used to be able to fit into an hour just doesn't fit anymore. As God's children, we need much discernment as to the real and most important priorities in our lives. It is easy to get so wrapped up in the physical demands of day-to-day life, that we forget, or at least put aside, the people all around us. May the Lord open our eyes and our hearts to share the joys and the tears of those that God puts in our paths.

Baptism

On November 11th, we celebrated with the angels in heaven, the baptism of 4 of our young men, along with 3

other souls from our local church. Leonardo (16), Carlos (18), Samuel (16), and Todd (Mary's son, 15) confessed Jesus Christ as their Savior. We know that as teens between 15 and 18 years old, there is growth necessary in the area of making Jesus truly Lord of their lives. It

was a great time together with the church. The laying on of hands and their first Communion took place in the evening at church.

New House and Remodeled Office

In December, as planned, the moves to the new house and the remodeled office took place. The house is wonderful- very spacious and illuminated. In time, they will

need more furniture to fill it up. The office is also a blessing. Everyone has



their own space with good access to each other. Everything is new and fresh. It is so good to have it all done. Video of the new house can be seen on our YouTube page (search Associacao Canaa – CLM).

Year-end celebrations

We had a great Christmas season with lots of activities and chocolate! On December 19th, we were invited once again to enjoy a delicious pizza dinner at a local, very good pizza place. They continually bring different flavors of pizzas (salty and then sweet) to your table and you choose those that you want to try. The pieces are small, so you can taste a lot before you are overwhelmingly full. Before going for pizza, the CLM T-shirts for 2019 were distributed and our CLM family picture was

taken.

We also had our traditional Secret Friend Party. Trips to the city for each family group were taken to buy the presents and to see the Christmas lights and decorations. Each family group also made cookies, which were served with ice cream (remember, it is hot down here for Christmas) after the gift exchange.

We had the Christmas service at church on the 23rd, with lots of

presentations and rejoicing in the birth of Jesus. On Christmas Eve, each family group had a turkey dinner with all the trimmings. This is a Brazilian tradition that had not become part of the CLM culture until last year. Last year, we had it collectively and this year, in the separate family groups. We will see what really becomes the CLM tradition in the years to come.

Christmas Day began by greeting each other with the declaration that "Jesus is born. Let's go to Bethlehem". We had our traditional Frosted Flakes and other cereals for breakfast followed by opening of presents in the family room. We were blessed by the presence of Pastor Gilson and Elizana with their two children and his sister, Debora, and her husband and their son from Sao Paulo. They were representing the Sao Paulo churches involved in providing the presents for each CLM child, teen, and adult. After several hours of opening presents, we all enjoyed a special Christmas lunch together.

Graduation

Since our school year ends in December, that is when graduations take place, also. We proudly witnessed Carlos' high school graduation. He is the first in his family to accomplish such a milestone, or to even come close. Afterward, we had a celebration at home for him. He joyfully encouraged all of the other kids, that they too can accomplish what he accomplished.



Visitors

We had several visitors during the weeks before and after Christmas. Dr. Chuck made his annual visit before Christmas and for the first time in many years, he was actually home for Christmas. He also came alone this year, since he had completed his goal of bringing each one of his 4 older grandchildren to experience a trip to CLM. He had the opportunity to withdraw to a cabin in the mountains to spend a day with the Board, working on important relational and organizational issues. Their time was very profitable.

There were several missionaries that had visits from family members during this season also. Raquel's mother came for 10 days. Afterwards, Raquel left with her for a month's vacation in Goias. Also, Thais' mother and stepfather came for a week, very excited to participate in all the Christmas activities. After that, Cristiano's sister and nephew came to spend several days. It was their first time to see where Cristiano and Thais are ministering. At the beginning of February, Troy Larson, Mary's nephew came for a quick visit of 3 days. Troy led up a mission team to the slums of Sao Paulo. After their 2 weeks there, Troy sent his team home and took a detour to visit Aunt Mary and family. This year, he was anxious to experience her new home and to minister in church, as he has done on other visits.



Dr. Chuck with CLM Board

Goodbyes

Szandra, our short-term missionary from Hungary, ended up shortening her stay a bit and taking advantage of the opportunity to visit the state of Bahia while Wal was on vacation there. We were very thankful for her help during the four months that

she was here. Although her plans were to be involved in extra activities for the children/teens, we

very much needed her to be a substitute caregiver. She took responsibility for our teenage girls, sometimes with Wal and sometimes on her own. She overcame the challenge of the language and lack of experience in this area to do a tremendous job with much dedication and commitment. We were sorry to see her leave.

Besides Szandra's leaving, Carlos (almost 19) also decided it was time to move on. He has plans to get married in the very near future. He will be fixing up the house behind his future in-laws. His desire is to build a family with Luana. He gets along very well with her family and is excited about his future. He is to go into the army in February. Pray for Carlos.

Caregiver situation

Since we continue to be in a situation of lacking one caregiver missionary couple, it became necessary to distribute one house of kids among the other 3 houses. We are trusting that soon,

this situation will be resolved. Please pray for Andre and Geni, who are planning to rejoin the CLM team in the next few weeks. We also need a day-off missionary couple to replace Celia. She has put in her notice, due to health issues. Please keep praying for the leadership, the caregivers, and the

children in this situation.

Surgery

We ask for your prayers for the recovery of Marilda (secretary) who had surgery on the 28th of January for stomach reduction. This was a necessary operation due to high blood pressure and other health issues. May she continue in God's hands.

Financial situation

After a relatively tranquil financial year in 2018, due to the large donation from the sale of a church, we are looking at the possibility of unmet financial needs for part of 2019. The amounts coming in monthly for CLM in the U.S. are about half of what we would need from the Foundation to complete our budget, after all other sources of donations are considered. We continue actively going after supporters within Brazil as well, but so far our efforts have brought little return. We count on your prayers and monthly giving. We continue to trust that God has all things in His control and according to His purposes. Thanks for your prayers.

In Christ,

The CLM Team

Caregivers: Celia, Susana & Gerson, Thais & Cristiano, Leonardo & Gracielly
Internal Leadership: Mary, Bethany
Tech team: Altair (psychologist), Luciana (social worker)
Finances: Marilda, Raquel
Board of Directors: Anderson Kasnocha, Anderson Lemke, Juan

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Farewell Carlos, Szandra

Name that ministry on back page:

1. Faith Evangelical School, Accra, Ghana
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Ghana

(Africa)



Report on the Faith Evangelical Mission in Ghana:

The mission in Ghana has been very active in the past few months, and I would like to share with you some of the highlights of the Lord's work and also some of the needs of the churches. First, November 12-18 was a time of worship and remembrance as it commemorated the one year anniversary of the burial of our dear Brother Rex Noi. There were special worship services at the Mataheko church, and a special sermon was preached entitled, "Beyond a great leader's transition-what?"

It is a clear reminder that no church or mission begins or ends with one man-

of new church buildings. Often FEC congregations meet in buildings that are only partially constructed, and adverse

weather can often lead to the cancellation or postponement of services. These churches are often church plants that have reached a critical mass of membership and can no longer meet in homes, or are established congregations who have outgrown their buildings. Obviously this is one of those "good" problems, but I urge the churches here in North America to prayerfully consider giving

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rather Christ is the head of the church, and He will raise up leaders as He sees fit to carry on the work. We are thankful that Brother Rex was a faithful steward of the responsibility God gave him.

A continuing need of the mission is financial support for the construction

to the mission so that our brothers and sisters in Ghana can worship together without fear of the elements.

Another need we would like to bring before you is the need for a new vehicle for the mission. The van that the church leaders currently

use is woefully outdated, and I can personally attest to the strain it puts on traveling long distances.

Transportation is not easy in Ghana, and the leaders are making a concerted effort to start more ministry work in the regions outside of the capital city of Accra. This work could be facilitated much more



easily if the mission had a newer van that was reliable and could handle the strain of a typical four or five hour trip on dirt roads. Again, I ask that our churches prayerfully consider how they can contribute to this need.

The Apostolic Christian Church Foundation mission board is thankful for all of the willing givers in our churches, and I know the brothers and sisters in Ghana are eternally grateful that you do not

forget them in your prayers and in your financial sacrifice. May God be praised that the work continues and that we can be a part of it!

Respectfully submitted,

John F. Schlaefli III

With spring just around the corner, we hope and pray all of our supporters are rejoicing in the upcoming season, where God whisks the cold and dormant winter away and ushers in all things bright, living, and beautiful. We rejoice that He has also seen fit to bless us in this way at Little Hands, and we can see more growth just around the corner.

On top of the new children we welcomed into our homes this past winter, we also welcomed Sister Adina Jarvine from Toronto. She just recently completed her trial period and we are hoping and praying she will be returning for a more long-term commitment. We and the children were all so blessed to have her with us, and we will look forward to her using her musical talents, along with her sense of adventure, to bring yet more depth to our ever-growing "family", and teach each of the children different aspects of enjoying God's beauty through nature and song.

We are hoping, with the Lord's blessing, to be able to upgrade our solar system within the next few weeks. With the growth that has taken place, and the growth yet to come, it seems to have trouble keeping up



with the power demand, even though no high power devices are ever used without the aid of the generator.

We also hope to purchase a couple mini-split units- one for each home. Ever since we began, we have operated without any heating or cooling in the homes, but we hope to get something in place for the children before yet another summer comes along. Each summer, there are certain days where the temperature reaches over 100 degrees Fahrenheit inside the house! We have been incredibly thankful, though, for spray bottles and water balloon fights, as well as cooler tile flooring. :)

As we prepare for whatever lies ahead, we ask that you would please pray for our mission. Please pray that the Lord would grant us grace and wisdom to raise the children who are present with us, prepare us for all the children yet

Little Hands Orphanage

(Mexico)

to come, and bless all the little hands that have already moved on. Please also pray that He would continually remind each director and caregiver alike, the purpose of this mission and the reason He has brought each of us together. Although we come from different backgrounds and places, we pray He would always keep our attention and focus on Him and that through this, we would be unified through each trial and decision.

We thank you all for your continual love and support. May our Father in Heaven reward you for each of the souls you have reached through supporting this ministry.

In His Love,

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just for thought...

The "American Dream" vs. God's Vision

What does God expect from us as believers living in a "first world" country? Every time I return from visiting a culture where people "work to live" instead of our own culture where we "live to work", I ask myself this question and I am troubled by my inability to answer it to my satisfaction. Each time I resolve to retain the importance of building deeper relationships with

others, spending more time in the Word, and allowing more unstructured time in my life for deeper meditation and reflection. And yet, within a week of returning, I am quickly consumed once again, by the demands of my work and the cares of my daily life. Sometimes it feels as if busyness itself is an addictive drug which pulls me in again and again, despite the damage it wreaks. Where is the rest that Christ promises to those who are weary and heavy laden? Has it been compromised by our

pursuit of the "American Dream"? Is there a different type of dream or vision that God wants us to pursue? Perhaps He is calling us to invest more of our time and efforts on behalf of His kingdom, but we're too busy to notice? Please join us in Beverly Hills on the weekend of April 27-28 as we hold our annual business meeting and seek to understand how we can embrace God's vision for our lives.

Rodney Koch,
ACCF Trustee Chairman

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