

Dear loved ones,

It's been a great year of hosting for our ministry center and we're only halfway through! We have hosted camps, conferences, retreats, a baby reveal, birthday celebrations, U.S. groups, family events...the list goes on. Last week it was a woman's conference. This week we host a group of University students. The group has been coming for years. Next weekend we have a marriage conference. A couple Saturdays ago it was a marriage proposal! Oscar was so nervous and my matchmaking Minnie was in her glory with all the details. Oscar invited Majo's parents, a few friends, and his parents for a special dinner at our church and after dinner it was all set up as we wandered down to our cabins area together. What a moment. What a sweet memory for all of us to be able to participate in. Well done Oscar. Oscar and Majo's relationship grew as they helped lead our camps this past year. They're a lovely young couple. And she said yes. Whew!

And to all of these events I say bring on the garbage! God didn't tell me about the garbage. Some of the obvious you just have to figure out for yourself I guess, but groups make a lot of garbage. Sometimes it is hard to keep up with it all. But isn't this detail important? Most groups give a general cleaning before they leave. But I've developed bionic eyes for seeing garbage, eyes that many others do not have it seems. People leave their garbage everywhere. But I like order and a clean, sharp looking place for people to come to. Seems simple enough, but when I see people throw garbage on our grounds it gets my blood boiling and I have to reign myself back and have a big attitude check and a big picture check. And then... often times, pick up some garbage with my awesome bionic powers as we prepare for the next group. If I'm perfectly honest, I get sick of it sometimes. Garbage. Food plates. 100 degree heat, need I go further?

This reminds me of a favorite story of a missionary that was trying to grow pineapples in a very remote jungle setting. Before he could get a pineapple, the people he was trying to serve would take them! This went on for some time until he was so upset about the people that they left! Then he had pineapples. No worries, he did go get the people, but after he enjoyed the solitude (and some pineapple!). He learned and I'm still learning. So, Lord, please continue to bring on the people, and I'll keep picking up the garbage whenever and wherever necessary, even when it's on the roof or the stray dogs get at it again.

If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.

If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them. -John 13:14,17

And we have been so blessed to be part of many special events so far this year. Thanks to all of you that invest into our ministry. May God bless you all.

Speaking of feet...The other night as we got ready for bed, I noticed Sophia had some dirty feet. I grabbed a washcloth and started scrubbing away at them. What a time we had! She started giggling uncontrollably. I never thought that washing feet could turn into such a joyful time. Maybe there's joy in that garbage picking too! I'll keep practicing.



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Praise report/ prayer requests: Jesus is the vaccine for all that truly threatens.

June 12th Hosting and preaching a marriage conference. June 19th Preaching 2 Father's Day services

We had a good visit to Cuernavaca and our Children's Home (pictured above) *Miracle of Life*. The new lands are being walled and we should have some usable play area by the next newsletter! We are leading a group of 10 Berea students on a month long mission to serve in Cuernavaca and also serve in Guerrero in the deeper SW. We will build at the Children's Home and help care for the children while hosting Vacation Bible Schools in Cuernavaca and in Guerrero. Please pray for this mission.

July 11th-August 7th

The third week of August, I'll be heading up North for 4 weeks or so visiting churches and supporters. Please pray for this effort. We will be raising monies to advance our work in Cuernavaca on the 2nd floor of the Children's Home. It's much needed space that will allow room for the ministry to continue to grow and prosper for the children and surrounding community.

August 21st First Baptist in Falun, WI

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Friday afternoon August 26th Golf Tournament and Dinner fundraiser in Amery, WI

August 28th East Lincoln Alliance in Amery, WI

September 4th Valley Baptist in Lakeland, MN More dates being confirmed.

At our facility, we continue to work on developing the new land (pictured right) as the paper process to buy continues on, slowly advancing, now well into the 4th year. I long to tell you about the breakthrough that we need, but the wait-

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One last praise... The garbage now gets picked up on Fridays *and* Tuesdays in Los Canelos!







Love from, Gary and Minnie and Sophia along with all your family in Mexico.