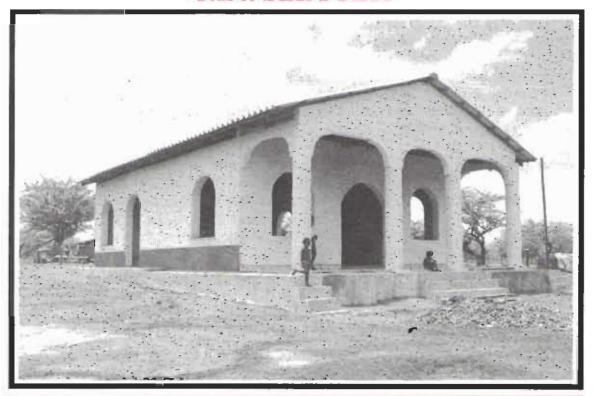
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Marcovia, Honduras
"To God Be the Glory; Great Things Hath He Done"

May 22, 1996

Dear Co-Labourers In Christ:

In this newsletter, we want to share with you a WORK OF LOVE. We can compare "Marcovia" to the man fallen by the way. The Priest and Levite passed him by but the "SAMARITAN' showed compassion, giving all he had to help the stranger.

On our first trip to Marcovia, Honduras, we saw nothing but a desert place filled with suffering people. We asked ourselves, "how do these people survive?" One of our national preachers had moved there with his wife, had put up a little two-room, mud hut, and was holding services in his house. There were no pews, not even a pulpit, but the dear people came out to hear God's Word and we found many saved people there. Later on, when the church in Azacaulpa was blessed to have a new building, they donated their old lumber to Marcovia and so now the people have a stick and plank church with a few hand-made benches and a roof to protect them from the sun and rain.

Several months later, a church group was visiting us and God burdened their hearts to help us build a church for these people. However, before construction started, God burdened our hearts about an even greater need - WATER. There was no water or electricity in this place - the people were living in a desert and starving to death. On a Sunday morning, we met with the people and let them decide: "Do you want a church building, or do you want water". One by one they began to stand and say: "Brother Bob, we will die without water. We can keep using this building to worship the Lord.

So, a well driller came in - the cost, almost \$5,000.00. When we went to pay, he said: "NO CHARGE". God had already prepared his heart. He had seen God give us an Artesian Well (he was the driller) and now he wants to get in on God's blessings.

A transformer was bought for electricity; lines were bought and run; a pump and pipes were bought for the well, and still we had enough money left over to build the church you see on the front of this newsletter. We ran out of money before the windows, doors, and ceilings were put in but we KNOW that God will provide.

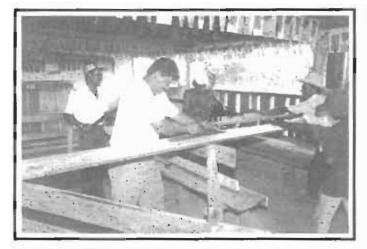
A few weeks ago, as we drove down that dusty road to Marcovia, and suddenly there appeared this pretty white church and all behind it were little houses made of sticks, mud, paper, or whatever the people could get - tears began to fill our eyes and roll down our cheeks. This was such a picture of our dear Lord, standing in front to protect and provide; and out to the side a well of water to satisfy the physical thirst; but with the assurance that He has already given to these dear people the WATER OF LIFE, for which they will never thirst again.

Everyday there are more and more families bringing their sticks and pieces of wood to put up their little houses. There is one school teacher for the 150 students, and ever Sunday she is in Sunday School. We do not plan to start sponsorship here but as God provides we want to help the little school with books, papers, pencils, etc., so that all the children will benefit.

From.

Bob & Joan Tyson

Through these pictures, we want to take you to Marcovia to the opening day of the Feed the Hungry kitchen . . . no tables, chairs, or even a kitchen as of yet, but these little children are eating and that's the most important thing. Our plans are to build a pretty little kitchen behind the church but until we can do that, the food will be cooked outside, and the children will eat off the benches. We thank the Lord they already have plates and spoons.





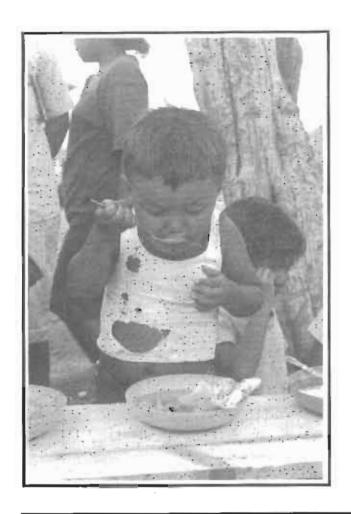
National Pastor Benigno Hernandez helping to make benches.

Brothern Benigno bringing in food.





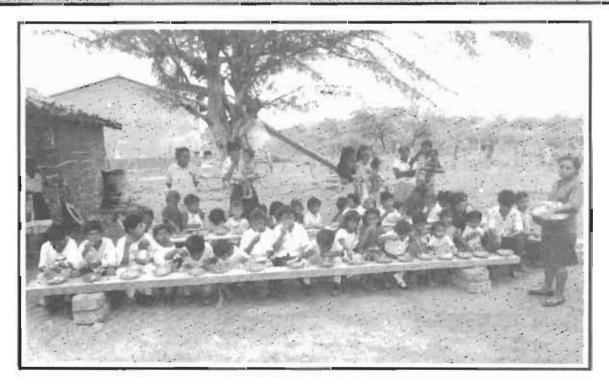
THANKING JESUS MOTHERS FEEDING CHILDREN





"He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord, and that which he hath given will he pay him again."

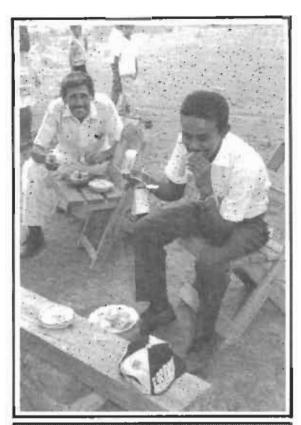
Proverbs 19:17





Cooking the Food





Pastor of church, left, and Feed the Hungry worker enjoying the food.



Jesus said: "I was hungry and ye fed me..." "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, ye have done it unto me".

Visiting The Homes of Marcovia











Children of Marcovia in Front of Old Building



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