

# *Good Samaritan Baptist Missions*

## **Ministering In Central America**

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**Christian Schools - Feed the Hungry - Church Planting - Child Sponsorship  
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*Good Samaritan Pastors standing in front of  
construction of Tabernacle and International Bible  
Institute in Camali, Honduras*

March 26, 2001

Dear Co-Laborers in Christ,

A few days after our last letter, the doctor told us he had found Bob's problem. The blood vessels in the back of his neck were clogging up; they couldn't even find one of the vessels. He was put on more blood thinner and told he would have to have his blood checked on a regular basis. We were told his heart was okay and there was no problem with the "stent" that was put in the artery of his heart.

Bob began to improve immediately and his mind became more alert. He was able to remember better than he had in a long time. Although three doctors had advised against him returning to Honduras, seeing his desire to go, our family doctor told him that he could go for one week but to be careful about cutting or injuring himself because of all the blood thinners he was taking.

This newsletter is a short summary of what we found on our "two" week trip.

### **Tabernacle Construction in Comali...**

The construction of the walls had progressed even more than we thought. Bob was so excited about this new tabernacle and Bible Institute Center. I knew he was getting better when he told me, "God has put the whole picture in my mind". It has been amazing to everyone that before any building has been built in Honduras, God just seemed to give Bob the complete picture. He, in turn, would explain it to our "little" construction man, about 5 foot tall, by either doodling on the ground or drawing on a piece of paper. Manuelito, in turn, would somehow be able to build it just as Bob had drawn it out. However, when the construction began on the tabernacle back in November of last year, Bob couldn't get the "picture"...all he could tell Manuelito was that he wanted a round building that would seat around 1,000 people with classrooms around it. Two weeks ago in Honduras, God gave Bob the "picture". He was so excited we couldn't even get him to rest in the daytime.

In our last letter, we presented this great need, *but so far the response has been very small*. We are so grateful to those who have responded **but we will have to STOP this construction if more funds are not received**. We do not believe an unfinished building would bring Honor and Glory to the Lord, so we are going forward, praying that enough funds will come in weekly to pay the 25 men who are working on this building. We pray God will put the "picture" of what a blessing this Center will be for Good Samaritan Baptist Missions, not only in your minds, but in your hearts. This is a place where young preachers from Honduras, Nicaragua and even Costa Rica can come together to study God's Word and prepare for the ministry...a place where all our churches can come together for camp meetings, revivals, conferences...a place where pastors from the United States will come to teach and preach. We don't even have the total cost yet but we know it will be a lot of money. **WE NEED YOUR HELP.**

Brother Benny Bagwell, Pastor of Victory Baptist Church in Sylva, North Carolina, held a conference while we were in Honduras - first with our teachers and then with our pastors from Nicaragua and Honduras. The town of San Marcos de Colon was filled with Baptist preachers as over 150 came in (many with their wives) for this conference. They are all very excited about the future home of the International Bible Institute and went out one day for their pictures to be made in front of the construction. The only problem is that there were so many of them you can't see any of the construction.

### **Schools...**

Our new school year began in February with record enrollment - over 1,100 students in both schools. The high school auditorium won't seat all of the high school students so for the first time, we have to split the chapel services. Many who were once Opportunity students have returned to teach in our grammar school, and even our high school has two Opportunity students teaching Music and English. What a blessing to hear about our graduates getting good jobs all over Honduras - and the greatest thing is that they are missionaries - taking the Gospel of Jesus Christ wherever they go.

### **New Christian School in Nicaragua...**

In February, a new Christian school was started in the church of La Trinidad with 170 students. All the city officials were on hand for the inauguration of this school. They predict this will be the finest school in town. Classes are held in the Sunday School building the Lord let us build last year. A kitchen provides food everyday for the Opportunity students.

### **Constructions...**

What a blessing to see what the Lord is doing in these days. We remember many years ago traveling down the Pan American highway and never seeing a Gospel preaching church. If you looked for one, it was usually on a back street in a run-down condition. I can remember Bob saying, "Someday I am going to build churches on the front street...beautiful churches...to bring Honor and Glory to the Lord." And certainly his desire has come to pass. There are not only churches on the Pan American highway but pretty little churches in the remote villages *where the Gospel is preached and where our "Risen" Savior is exalted.*

### **Samaritan Radio...**

Last Saturday night, Samaritan Radio broadcast from the new studio in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. We listened as Stevie put the telephone close to the radio so we could hear. He and the Engineer have been working putting in lasers to connect the towers in the other places. God's Word will be preached to hundreds of thousands of people. We thank the Lord for those who are helping to support Samaritan Radio. *We need more support for this ministry and we are praying that God will touch many hearts to help us.*

### **Book...**

Sword of the Lord Publishing Company has told us our Book will possibly be ready by the end of April. They have suggested a name change for the book and we will leave this as a "surprise" until we announce the book is ready. They have been in the Printing business for over 60 years and have much more experience than we do and so we are listening to their advice. We would like to visit churches with the book, and even though Bob is not back preaching yet, we would be able to give a testimony and promote the book. We believe God will use this book to support many of the projects we have on the field. **We will receive no personal income from this book. - it is all for the Lord's Work.** If you are interested in our coming, just call our office.

### **New Webpage...**

Visit us at

[www.goodsamaritanmissions.faithweb.com](http://www.goodsamaritanmissions.faithweb.com)

One of our supporters volunteered to make a webpage for us and we are very excited. It is still under construction.

May God bless everyone of you. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts - for your confidence in us as your missionaries and for your love and prayers. **Please don't forget the Tabernacle and Bible Institute Construction in Comali.**

Love in Christ,

**Bob and Joan Tyson**

**Tabernacle and  
International Bible  
Institute**

**Comali, Honduras**

Walls are much higher  
now but this will give an  
idea of the size.



The river at the farm  
gives us all the gravel and  
sand we need in the  
construction.



Dirt from other parts of  
the farm is also used  
which saves us a lot of  
money.







## **Danli, Honduras**

People were saved here listening to Samaritan Radio. They asked for a preacher and one was sent. Services were first held in the home of a new believer and now they have this beautiful building.



Soon the pastor will have a nice place to live and children will have the downstairs rooms to learn more about Jesus. There are more than 100,000 people in this town.



## **El Carmen, Honduras**

This started as a mission camp from the church in Azacualpa. Services were held under the trees and then members gave land. God provided this pretty little church through His people in the United States.



## **Tapaire, Honduras**

This began as a mission camp from the church of Divisadero. Meetings were first held under a thatch roof built by the young pastor. Now God has blessed with a beautiful church.



The Feed the Hungry kitchen in Azacualpa, where the program began in 1984, has been completely remodeled by Pastor Luis Pastrana.



## **Los Tablones, Honduras**

For years the pastor and his family have lived in one room of the church. Now they are going to have a nice pastorium. God provides in His time.

## **San Lorenzo, Honduras**

Some of the sweetest services we have been in were held under a roof at the back of a house the church was renting. Now the Lord is providing these faithful people a nice big church.



## **Concepcion de Maria, Honduras**

This house has recently been purchased for this church which has been meeting in the backyard.



## **Ramon Maradiaga, Wife and Some of the Church Members**

Ramon was saved in one of our Feed the Hungry kitchens when he was a young boy. Now he is pastor in this far-away village of Concepcion de Maria.





## **Good Samaritan High School**

Pastors, seated on the left,  
were visiting a school  
program.

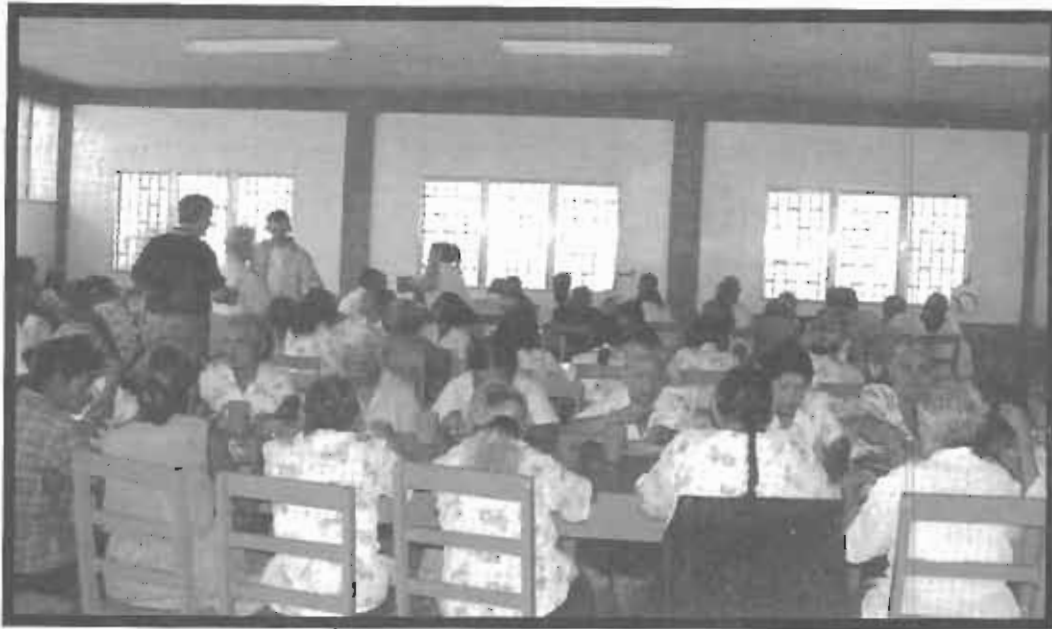


## **Choluteca, Honduras**

Soldiers of the Fourth  
Battalion at the Army  
Base received Bibles  
made possible by  
God's people in the  
United States.







## **Elderly Center**

**San Marcos de  
Colon,  
Honduras**



## **Feed the Hungry Kitchen**

**Comali,  
Honduras**



## **Office Staff in Villa Rica, Georgia**

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Joan Bell and Terri Hyatt

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**Have you ever  
wanted to visit the  
Mission Field?**

**The response to the  
mission trips to  
Honduras and  
Nicaragua has been  
Tremendous. So far  
in 2001 we have  
thirteen groups  
scheduled.**



Two of our supporters had this bus painted and the mission name put on the side. We use this bus to pick up groups from the airport. We also use this bus to transport the children.

This group came in November 2000. They came from Georgia, Virginia, Florida, South Carolina, etc.



As you can see, people from all over the United States have the desire to visit the mission field. It is truly a blessing to meet your child, meet the pastors and see all the work the Lord is doing in Honduras and Nicaragua.



**One of the many things you do while on the mission field is visit several of the Good Samaritan Baptist Churches. This group is at the Bread Of Life Baptist Church in Choluteca.**



**This group from March 2001 are at a High School Assembly. Groups also go to a Grammar School program while visiting Honduras. It is such a blessing to see all these children in their uniforms receiving their Opportunity of a Lifetime.**



**The visitors always enjoy the fellowship with their children and with each other in the courtyard at the mission center.**

**If you are interested in going, please contact our office. The seats are filling fast. Don't miss your Opportunity!**







***Tyson's Granddaughters***  
**Stephany, 10 years old**  
**Ashley, 3 months old**

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