

Christmas is here



We were blessed last year to have two churches buy presents for all of our children. We have seventy children, ages two to twenty. You can either send presents or send money. We would also like to send presents to our sponsored children from our church. Some of the poorest people in Honduras attend our church. Could you bless a child for Christmas? Mark **Christmas** on your check.



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December 28-31 • January 18-20 • February 9-11
March 7-9 • April 18-21 • May 7-9 • June 13-15 • July 4-7

January 30

REVIVAL MEETING

Belle Fourche, South Dakota
Contact: Alan Kindsfater (605)210-1162

February 6

IMI REGIONAL CONFERENCE

8:30-4:00 • New Life Assembly of God
1229 8th Street • Reedsburg, WI
Rev. Clark Peterson (608)393-8323

February 20

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WISDOM FROM THE KING UZZIAH – PART ELEVEN

Word

“As long as he sought the Lord, God made him prosper...”
2 Chronicles 26:5

PROMISES ARE CONTINGENT – All of God's promises are “If..., then...” If you obey, then He will bless... If you don't obey, then He won't bless you.

Although God's love is incredible and more than a human mind can comprehend, yet His blessings are still contingent. Some have erroneously taught that God is so full of love that He doesn't punish people, nor does He send people to hell. This is totally non-biblical teaching. As long as we seek and serve God, we will be blessed.

Here are some examples of contingent blessings. Read Deuteronomy 28:1-12. Then, read the rest of the chapter and all of chapter 29 and you will see that blessings and curses are dependent on your obedience. Jesus taught in John 14:15, “If you love me, you will obey my commandments.” He also taught that if you believe, you will be saved; if you don't believe, you will be condemned. If you repent, you will be saved; if you don't, you will be condemned. If I humble myself, God will exalt me. If you are in His presence, you will have fullness of joy.

If you help the poor, then according to Isaiah 58, you will reap twelve covenant blessings including a quick healing, you will call and God will answer, God will always guide you, He will satisfy your soul, and He will strengthen your bones. All of these blessings are contingent to helping the poor. If you give sparingly, you will reap sparingly; if you give bountifully, you will reap bountifully. If you ask, you will receive, but if you don't ask, you will not receive.

King Uzziah was blessed as long as he sought God, but when he stopped serving God, his life fell completely apart and he became a leper. The idea of saying a one-time prayer, and then, living a rebellious and unrepentant life and also expecting God's blessings is a lie. Watch

the lives of people who serve God and those who don't, and you will clearly see there are unlimited blessings to those who serve Him. Serving God doesn't mean you won't have trials, but be of good cheer, with Christ you will overcome the world. In other words, we must obey to receive God's blessings.

SEEKING GOD – Uzziah's prosperity was directly tied into his seeking God. When he turned from God, destructive curses fell upon him.

Jesus said, “Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all of these things shall be added to you.” Some of the ways to seek God's kingdom include preaching the gospel to the whole world (Mark 16:15-16) and loving your neighbor as yourself. Paul told us in Galatians that the whole law rests on this command. Jesus told us to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, visit the sick, visit prisoners, clothe the naked and welcome strangers into your home. Those who don't will be thrown into the lake of fire. Praying for others seems to ensure your prayers will be answered. Having fellowship with one another is a command of scripture. Faith, hope, and repentance are requirements of salvation.

Jesus talked about worshiping God in spirit and truth. Praise and worship is an exciting way to be in the presence of God. An incredible promise is that as we draw near to God, He will draw near to us. Asking God for direction and help is a part of seeking Him. There are so many important things we can do to seek God. Ask God to help you not grieve the Holy Spirit by walking in the flesh. And make sure you forgive others so you can have a clear path to His presence and His presents.

The Bible is full of examples of people who served God initially and then fell away from him, such as Gideon, Balaam, Hophni and Phinehas, and all of the twelve tribes. In the New Testament at one point, everyone except the twelve disciples left Jesus. We also read about Judas, Demas, and Simon the sorcerer. Some examples of people who came back after falling away were Samson, Hosea's wife, and Manasseh. God, give us grace to finish the race and seek Your face!

Next month, I will talk about God's prosperity.

Report from Teresa You will like this report! As you know, most children – especially teenagers – have attitudes. Most of you parents know what I'm talking about. Some of the kids did not want to do chores. They

were complaining about food, not willing to go the farm to work, etc. The nannies were concerned, and they didn't know what to do. I prayed and prayed, and God gave me a brilliant idea to take them to tour other orphanages. That was it!!! They could see the huge difference between their home and the other orphanages. The other orphanages did not have fans in their rooms; they have six children in three bunk beds; and they don't have many nannies. The children get new clothes only twice per year; they do most of the cooking and cleaning; and they work very hard. If they misbehave they are sent back to INFA. One of the orphanages invited us for lunch and one of our children went to the kitchen to ask for seconds. The director told him that we don't give seconds here and you wash your own plate. They almost never go swimming, and they don't have a nice soccer field. Our kids were shocked and realized how blessed they are at the City of Refuge and how ungrateful they have been. A few days later, we had a meeting and they asked for forgiveness for being ungrateful and promised me to work hard and be good. Now they are very busy helping on the farm, in the kitchen, with construction and computer classes besides having Bible camp, art, English and computer classes.

It is finally vacation time. The kids had their graduation party this last November. Most of them graduated with honors. They are very smart. We also had an awesome revival meeting with the teachers in the mountains with Pastor Julio. It was full of the fire of God.

We have three young men from South Dakota helping Luther on the farm. They are also in charge of children's activities in December. We were so happy to have Pastor Tim and Cherrie Peterson and their church visit us at the orphanage. They helped with funds to build our multipurpose building.

We're almost done building a laundry room for the boys. No more clothes everywhere! The kids will be able to wash their clothes and keep them organized.

We are getting ready for Christmas. In Honduras, the tradition is for the children to get a new outfit. We will butcher two pigs for Christmas. The kids and workers are very excited! We are collecting presents for them. I hope we can bless all of them with at least something. All our children say **thank you** in advance for presents and for your help this year.

Missionaries in November We welcomed Pastor Kurt Verhoeven, Ed and Leslie from the Elkhorn, WI area. Ed has been here three times, twice this year. Kurt has been here a half a dozen times. They enjoyed playing with the children for a week. Scott and Sue McCumber come on a regular basis and minister to the children in art classes. Emily is bonding more and more with the children and is teaching them how to worship. She also loves soccer.

The walls are going up on our new soccer field The soccer field is huge. Our smaller soccer field crams in six players per team. This soccer field is regulation size and can have eight players on a team. It is longer and wider. It has an area for substitutes to wait to get in. The back stop is cement instead of chain link fence, so it won't break. The top of the field where we have a net is twice as high as the smaller court. We will also have bleachers to watch the game and double the lights to see better. This is going to be an awesome outreach in the communities. Also, it is located within the compound so the kids can play all day. In December, we will be sending another \$5000 to continue the building progress. If you would like to donate, put **soccer** on your check.

Education Besides academics, our kids are getting practical training which includes raising children, cleaning, cooking, furniture making, painting, plastering, cementing and agriculture. We also have a part-time art teacher helping the children.

Music We were blessed to have Brian Johnson donate our first clarinet. Thanks, buddy. We are still believing God to have a full-time music teacher.

School office will be added We have some space that is not being used in one of our school buildings, so we are going to finish one of the rooms and turn it into an office for our principal and secretary.

We are hiring an engineer to design our new school that will be bigger than our first one This building will house four new grades, chemistry and shop classes, a Bible college, and an agricultural and business school. We are hoping to make it two stories.



Wake-up call Being picked best orphanage in Honduras is exciting, but just as there are blessings hidden in tribulations and challenges, so there are tribulations in the midst of blessings. I have been a grandpa for over nine years, and I haven't had to raise a biological child for the last eight years. I tend to think like a grandpa more than a dad. We noticed that our children in Honduras started becoming unappreciative and the teenagers were acting a bit rebellious and lazy. My wife, in her incredible wisdom, took three trips with the older and middle age group of boys and the girls to three different orphanages in Comayagua. They were shocked about the little amount of food the kids ate with the little piece of meat and no seconds, the dark, dingy and crowded rooms, the lack of recreation, and how hard they had to work. They came back appreciative, more obedient and having a desire to work hard.

Our kids are becoming hard workers The girls have continued their work of cleaning, cooking, washing clothes and babysitting. It was the boys who took it to the next level after their trip to the other orphanages. They have now become involved in remodeling the babies orphanage, farming and building furniture. They are working so hard, they needed gloves because they were developing callouses. We blessed them with some new gloves. Thank you, Jesus.

Furniture making at the City of Refuge About three months ago, we hired a full-time furniture maker. Currently, he makes dressers and shelves for the orphanage, school and hotel. His tools are very old and need to be updated. We, at IMI, have committed to buying three machines over the next three months which will increase his productivity and skills. We are excited to see our boys cutting wood, nailing, and varnishing. This workshop in our multipurpose building will accomplish three things. Building our own furniture for the hotel, orphanage and school will save us lots of money. Providing practical training for our boys will open up a career opportunity for them. And, as the furniture maker improves his skills, we will open up a furniture store, thus providing income for our orphanage.

Babies orphanage The bathrooms are finished, and they are beautiful and spacious. Our workers are finishing up the kitchen sinks, and then, they need to repaint the orphanage. Currently, they are working on the outside, and it will be beautiful. It will have cement that looks like logs.

Rain, rain, rain causing laundry problems Currently, we have put in a very large slab of concrete for our laundry room, it is about fifteen meters long. The next step is to build the roof. The money has already been raised and sent.

Our next remodeling projects The boys orphanage needs some TLC and the bathrooms redone. With 36 boys, I'm sure you understand. Our next project will be redoing the sidewalks. The final remodeling project will be going from building to building and fixing and painting everything.

My wife has picked out a van We were blessed to have some members of Pastor Julio's church co-sign a loan to help us buy a van, as we were unable to raise the money to buy it. So we will be making payments. Please pray for us. Our old van has totally fallen apart. The nannies have had to ride in the back of a pickup truck without a roof over them and it is the rainy season. Please mark **van** on your check.

IMI hires a driver and mechanic Henry has been a full-time mechanic in the capitol for over six years. He joined us three weeks ago and has been fixing our vehicles.



Thank you Pastor Tim and Cherrie and their church



Babies orphanage



Laundry room extension



Chapel in the mountains

IMI begins to plan a building to repair vehicles

We found out that there is no repair shop

for 20,000 people. The main road goes right through our property. When I get back in December, Henry will have a plan for his shop and the tools that he will need.

Apartment progress – eight-year vision is becoming a reality

Currently, our electrician/roofer and his crew are working hard welding the beams. We are looking forward to blessing some extremely poor people. The next step is installing tile throughout the duplex.

Front security wall is ten feet high, and the wall next to the community center is up

We have continued the walls for about a hundred meters, and they are just about finished with the walls. Approximately fifty percent of the walls are textured and varnished and have razor wire on top of them. All we need is \$7,000 to finish the walls. This has been a \$35,000 project and provides excellent protection for our children and missionaries.

Fencing continues We have three faithful young men in their early 20's who are building a two to three-foot high wall and an eight-foot high chain-link fence with razor wire. Each month, we invest \$5,000 in fencing. The purposes are four-fold: One, to keep coyotes and predators out, two, to keep two-legged predators out (in the last two months, we had half of our corn stolen and the wire for one of our houses stolen), three, to keep the animals and livestock in, and four, to provide jobs for three to ten people. I believe it touches God heart to put people to work. Rather than give people a handout, we give them a hand up.

Crusade field/baseball park/full-length soccer field/farm/American football

In December, we sent another \$5000 to continue leveling the land. It is a gigantic project. But it will bring more souls to Christ than anything we are doing. This field will serve five purposes:

- To do crusades and win people to Jesus.
- To play baseball. There is not one baseball diamond in the city of Comayagua.
- To play the most popular international sport – soccer. With a full-length field, I believe it's the largest one in our area of 20,000 people.
- Instead of mowing, we will allow our sheep and goats to mow for us. Our goal is not to waste anything and to make sure our land has multipurposes.
- To start our own American football teams.

Steps to finish We need to level the land, dig a canal around the field to prevent erosion, bring in and spread sand for the baseball diamond, place rocks and netting in the canal to stop erosion, plant grass, build a backstop, install goal posts for soccer and American football, and put up a home run fence. Instead of renting a stage and a field, we could keep that money by having crusades on our property. This would also give other churches in the area an opportunity to reach the lost. We are believing God for resources to finish our field. We still need about another \$5,000 to finish our baseball field and crusade field. Please pray if God would lead you to send a donation. Please mark **crusade**.

Four-acre guava field The trees and the veggies are growing. Thank you, Jesus.

52-acre farm Thank God for this property as our cows and horses enjoy eating the rich grass that the Lord provides. We made another payment, and now, we owe \$38,000. If you would like to donate for the land, mark **land** on your offering.

62-acre farm We had a good harvest, but half of it was stolen because we couldn't check on it due to the flooding. Despite the barbwire fence, it didn't keep the two-legged coyotes out. But God will have it turn out for good. We have decided to build two houses on the property to protect it. They will be a blessing to two small families. This forces us to move on these houses right away.

All four tilapia ponds now have fish

The fish are growing. Our children are learning how to catch and clean them.

We are one of only six farms in the nation to raise fresh water lobster

The lobsters are growing, and I have requested to get more lobsters to raise.

Fish ponds We are looking at buying ponds, nine meters in circumference, that can raise 2,000 fish at a time. Some advantages would be having a controlled environment, better oxygen, and the ability to move the ponds. They will come and install it for us. Our goal is to eventually build one a month.

The flood did its damage on the twenty-acre farm next to the orphanage

Most of our banana trees were wiped out, and we lost about half of our bean crop. But, our industrious farmers have already replanted the beans.

IMI has 3,000 fruit trees We are getting ready to plant 200 orange trees. I saw lemons on one of our trees for the first time.

IMI builds first greenhouse The nannies are happy to harvest vegetables and herbs that are growing in the greenhouse right next to the kitchen.

Farm news The pigs are growing and we need another barn. We have picked out a part of our property and we are getting ready to build another hog barn. We will be terracing our property in the hilly area. We will be turning unproductive land into hog barns and raising them to eat and sell.

• Five of our cows are pregnant. • One of our goats is ready to give birth to a baby. • We have just had our first baby rabbits. We welcome five new bunnies to the IMI family. Thanks again, Vlceks. • We have 590 six-week-old chicks and they should start producing eggs in the next thirty to forty days. They should lay 400 eggs a day that should net us about \$50 of profit a day. This will pay for our farmers. • Our second goal is to begin to sell chickens and pigs at our store.

We want to build another chicken barn

This one will be able to house 1,000 chickens. We will be buying 200 every second week, and then, it takes ten weeks to harvest them. By buying chickens every two weeks, we will always have fresh meat. Currently, we eat nine to twelve chickens a day. Our goal is to raise enough so we don't have to buy any more chickens. We are getting two bids on this building, and we hope to break ground in January.

We just cleared about eight to ten acres

It's incredible. We had no idea that the land was so flat. It looked like we only had about two acres, but once it was cleared, it was a lot of land. The dirt is the best dirt on the whole property. I thought I was in southern Minnesota or Iowa. We will be planting fruit trees and grass between them. Once the trees are big enough, we will be running our sheep through them, and then eventually, our cattle.

Four-step process when we clean land

We clear the land, dig a well, run piping, and finally, plant fruit trees and grass.

IMI decides to dig a brand new well for approximately \$7,000

The land is flat and has black dirt. I am pumped to see the Lord of the Harvest bring a harvest of food. The well will be put at the very back corner of our property.



Duplex apartment



Two-bedroom house of an IMI partner



Fish pond



Fruit trees with free-range chicken nesting



Flourishing fruit trees



Pigs are growing fast



Bunny population is growing

**Sam and Becky
Barber in Belize**

Happy New Year! God makes all things new! We

have been busy! We tutor every afternoon in downtown Belize City. God has blessed us with about thirty kids that we work with. All are from the gang-filled parts of Belize City. Some of the older ones stay later for a leadership and discipleship program that we conduct. The kids love having us around and we love our time with them! I (Sam) got to share God's word at the Saturday afternoon worship. We have another youth leadership and discipleship program at our house on the second and fourth Saturdays. My wife Becky and Kristy, our daughter, are really involved in that. What an impact we are having! Please pray for us! We have great needs for prayer and financial partners. We would love your support as the Holy Spirit leads. Please send checks to IMI with **Barbers** in the memo line or contact us at slbisme@hotmail.com to receive our entire update. Blessings!

IMI is seeking partners to buy land in Israel Would you be interested in helping us acquire land in Israel? Currently, we have two people who are looking in Israel to help us purchase land. Pray for us!!!

Never quit "A champion is someone who gets up when he can't." – Jack Dempsey Samson, whose eyes were put up by the Philistines, got up and won the biggest battle of his life.

**Special recognition to
IMI ministers who had
us minister in in
November**

Linda Boese in Oskaloosa, IA; Cesar Bautista in Cicero, IL; Jerry and Mary Braunsdorf in St. Francis, WI; Ron Swails in Sanford, NC; Shaun Hart in Monmouth, IL; Cherie Anderson in Niceville, FL.



The harvest is here! The Lord of the Harvest was at work in the month of November. November 1st, we had eighteen receive Christ in Gorman, TX; twenty-plus in Cicero, IL; twenty-plus in Carroll, IA; 27 in St. Paul Park, MN; thirteen in Ankeny, IA; and one to ten received Christ in many meetings. How the Savior loves the lost! Keep praying for many people to find Jesus.



IMI new ministers We welcome Cherie Anderson from Niceville, Florida. In the last two months, two new ministers from South Dakota have joined IMI.

Pastor Jairo from Huron was just ordained. He pastors a Guatemalan church. Also, we did a home meeting and ordained Rev. Cesar Bautista. He recommitted his life to Christ at a Rick and Rachel Jampa meeting a few years ago.

Do you know of a church, organization or ministry that would like to have Teresa, my son, daughter or an IMI representative come to minister? Call me at (612)202-6064 if you know anyone who may be interested in having us.

Love "You know when you are in love when you can't fall asleep because reality is finally better than your dreams." – Dr. Seuss

Marriage "A happy marriage is a long conversation which always seems too short." – Andre Maurois Yes, communication is one of the most important parts of marriage. Despite being physically separated often, I am blessed to be in constant communication with my bride all day long.

In the news The President is bent on bringing more Muslims into this country and bashes Christians for not wanting them in our country. It's interesting he never bashes the 57 Islamic nations that have taken almost zero refugees. Doesn't it make sense that they should help their own? Obviously, Obama wants to overwhelm Europe and the USA with Muslims so they can have a caliphate and wipe out Christianity. He spends more time bashing Christianity than Islam.

My wife and I have had over 175 people live with us for five days or more. Many were ex-felons, some even dangerous. But I would never advise people to take strangers in when they have children, lest they risk those children getting abused. You can still help people without having them live in your home. Your first goal is to protect your children. If Obama is so concerned about these refugees, then why doesn't he open the White House? They have plenty of unused rooms. It's deceptive to say let's let them in and pretend nothing will happen. Let's say only one of the 175 people who lived with us raped and beat up my wife. That's one too many. Think of the deadliest attacks in our country – almost all of them are Islamic. Obama should be concerned about protecting innocent people, but he's not. Instead, he wants to take away guns and make us defenseless to the Islamic hordes. History shows what Islam does when they are in control.

Please vote for a moral president. Every demon in hell wants America to have an ungodly president.

Government "The care of human life and happiness, and not their destruction, is the first and only object of good government." – Thomas Jefferson Oh let it be so!

Business "An organization, no matter how well designed, is only as good as the people who live and work in it." – De Hock Who do you need on your team, who needs to be replaced and how can you make those on your team better? These are important questions for success.

Healthy Tip by Dr. Teresa **Bioidentical Hormone Therapy**

What is progesterone? Progesterone is an essential substance from which our body makes many of the other hormones vital for good health. Interestingly, progesterone is made in your body from cholesterol and the progesterone your body produces has an identical molecular structure to the compounded natural bioidentical progesterone. First, your body turns cholesterol into pregnenolone. The pregnenolone is converted into progesterone, and then, your body makes a cascade of other hormones that it needs from the progesterone.

Progesterone serves as a precursor not only to DHEA, testosterone and estrogen, but also to cortisol, the stress hormone. It is the precursor to the sex hormones, estrogen and testosterone, and is secreted primarily by the ovaries in females and by the testes in men. Smaller amounts are produced by the adrenal glands and in the brain cells of both women and men. This makes it instrumental in many core biologic functions.

What does progesterone do? Progesterone plays a major role in the body and has many functions in both males and females of all ages. Progesterone is responsible for regulating blood sugar, developing intelligence, building bones, brain activity and much more. Progesterone also plays an important role in converting fat into energy, regulating thyroid hormone production, and helping to reboot libido. Additionally, it works as a natural antidepressant, aids in normalizing blood clotting, helps to initiate sleep and acts as a natural diuretic, along with many other vital functions.

Progesterone has a calming effect by activating the GABA receptor sites. GABA is our most calming, inhibitory neurotransmitter and is effective against some forms of epilepsy. Progesterone also boosts the immune system. Our bodies are making it all the time.

Since natural bioidentical progesterone has the same structure as the progesterone hormones your body produces, it is able to fit on all of the progesterone receptors and create the other hormones along the hormone pathway.

Progesterone replacement therapy This therapy is one of the most effective methods of restoring low progesterone levels in the body by supplementing needed progesterone either synthetically or naturally. Most women opt for natural bioidentical progesterone as a safer alternative to synthetic progesterone to minimize the risk of breast cancer and heart disease. Progesterone therapy is administered by cream, gel, patch or pellet insertion, usually depending on availability, cost and convenience of use. Some physicians may decide to combine the progesterone with estrogen, and in some cases, testosterone to help women and men regain overall balance.

Business Directory

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Keith Maurer (815)735-3724
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western Illinois and northern Missouri

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Sparkling Reflections Photography

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legal services

Witte Landscaping (612)616-5052

Nathan Smith (608)216-8040
Madison, WI area realtor

Pastor Don Wynn (815)222-5291
guns, supplies, ammo

If you would like to designate money to a certain mission trip or project, please write a memo on your check or envelope, or fill out this form.

General fund \$ _____

Gas Please continue to help with this ever growing expense! \$ _____

Honduras building projects: Medical clinic Multi-purpose building
 Boys orphanage Laundry room High school Church \$ _____

Honduras agriculture: Goats \$70 Sheep \$70 Cows \$500
 Pigs \$60 5 chickens \$10 Turkeys \$5 Fruit trees \$10 \$ _____

Sponsor needy children/moms or support of orphans:

- Feed a child the Word of God each week & meal for Sunday School
 _____ children x \$2.50 = \$ _____ x _____ months = Total \$ _____
- Feed a Guatemalan child for \$2.00 per month: \$ _____
- Feed a child for \$10 per month
 Bangladesh Honduras Philippines Sudan Kenya
 _____ boys _____ girls _____ either x \$30 = \$ _____ x _____ months = Total \$ _____
- Feed a Honduran mom for \$5.00 per month:
 _____ moms x \$5.00 = \$ _____ x _____ months = Total \$ _____
- Feed and educate a child for \$20 per month: Uganda
 _____ boys _____ girls _____ either x \$30 = \$ _____ x _____ months = Total ... \$ _____
- Orphan sponsorship \$30/month (food, clothing, education, medical, housing)
 Honduras India Liberia
 _____ boys _____ girls _____ either x \$30 = \$ _____ x _____ months = Total \$ _____

Ministry sponsorships:

- Evangelist or pastor in India for \$75/month or \$900/year \$ _____
- Evangelist to preach three days a week to Hindus and Muslims or a pastor of an indigenous church in India for \$58/month \$ _____
- Support a pastor for \$50/month Honduras India \$ _____

Tom's day off \$ _____

Upcoming mission trips \$ _____

Special projects: Describe _____ \$ _____

Total gift giving \$ _____

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I'd like to become a covenant partner of Impact Ministries International. I will diligently pray and financially support this ministry so that together we can fulfill God's will to preach salvation, to prophesy, and to pray for the sick worldwide. As the Lord provides, I will share my financial blessings and my time to intercede for those who need the living Christ.

My covenant promise is to pray and give:

\$15.00 \$20.00 \$50.00 \$100.00
 \$250.00 \$500.00 \$1,000.00 per month
 Or a one-time gift of \$ _____

Let's labor together!

IMI retreat center is available for rent

Did you know that you can rent a beautiful six-bedroom, six-bathroom cabin with large meeting rooms, swimming, fishing, shooting, hunting, volleyball, basketball and games for our cost plus cleaning if you are an IMI partner? Call **Tom** at (612)202-6064 or contact **Teresa** through our listing on www.vrbo.com West Union, IA.

Do you have a snowmobile, car, truck, furniture, etc. to donate?

Why not feed children with the things you have laying around your property? A good friend of ours donated a truck and we were able to feed 100 children in one month. Call **Tom**, if you are interested, at (612)202-6064.

"Surplus wealth is a sacred trust which its possessor is bound to administer in his lifetime for the good of the community." – Andrew Carnagie How do you spend your money? As God increases your wealth what are you going to do with it?

Scrapbook Page by Susan and Scott McCumber



This young lady's name is Paola. Paola is twelve years old and is a twin to one of the boys at the orphanage. She can be a little shy at times, but her smile lights up our day. As mentioned in the December newsletter, Paola is the girl who gave up her bed to a new arrival, and she herself slept on the floor. Art is one of her favorite things to do, and she is very talented. Paola also loves to color pictures for my wife and me. It's her way of showing her love to us.

Secret to success "The only place success comes before work is the dictionary." Every book or motivational speaker says over and over again that there is no substitute for hard work. Who are the hardest working people you know? What blocks you from hard work?

Try this If you can't find your children, turn off the Wi-Fi and they will appear suddenly.

Do you know? What separates a good team from a bad team? The Minnesota/Wisconsin border.

And... Do you know that bears can sing? They sing baritone.

Reality check "Always remember you are unique, just like everyone else."



by Laura Diehl
 Crown of Glory Ministries
www.crownofgloryministries.org

Which cookie is better, chocolate chip or peanut butter? Which color is better, red or yellow? Which pet is better, a dog or a cat? Everyone is going to have different answers to these questions. So who is right, and who is wrong?

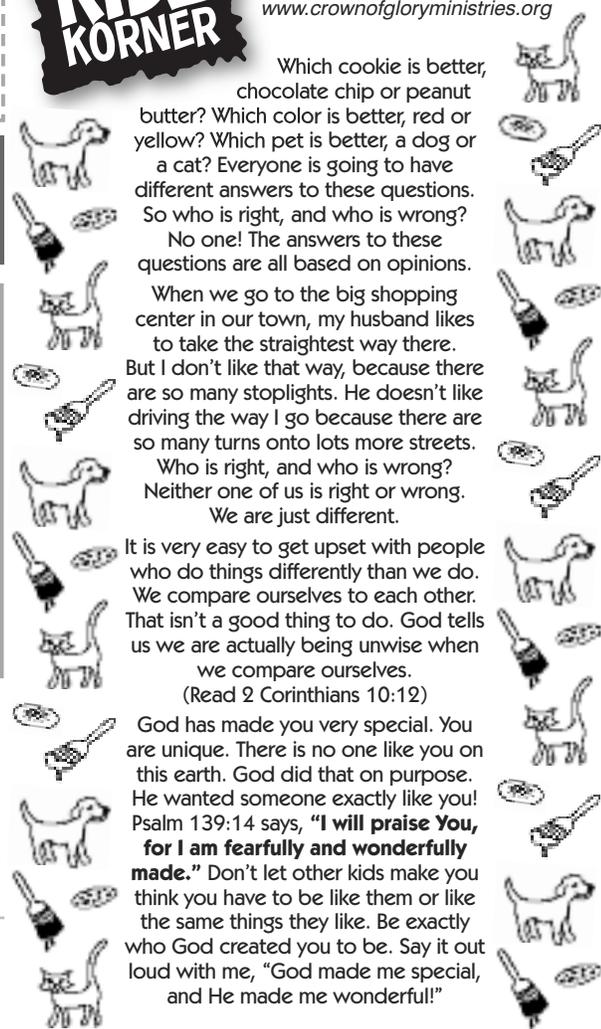
No one! The answers to these questions are all based on opinions. When we go to the big shopping center in our town, my husband likes to take the straightest way there. But I don't like that way, because there are so many stoplights. He doesn't like driving the way I go because there are so many turns onto lots more streets.

Who is right, and who is wrong? Neither one of us is right or wrong. We are just different.

It is very easy to get upset with people who do things differently than we do. We compare ourselves to each other. That isn't a good thing to do. God tells us we are actually being unwise when we compare ourselves.

(Read 2 Corinthians 10:12)

God has made you very special. You are unique. There is no one like you on this earth. God did that on purpose. He wanted someone exactly like you! Psalm 139:14 says, "I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made." Don't let other kids make you think you have to be like them or like the same things they like. Be exactly who God created you to be. Say it out loud with me, "God made me special, and He made me wonderful!"



*Be sure to call
the host listed to
confirm times and
services.*



Tom and Teresa's MISSION TRIPS

*The dates listed are Tom's days.
We encourage you to
come early and stay longer.*

Honduras

December 28-31
January 18-20
February 9-11
March 7-9
April 18-21
May 7-9
June 13-15
July 4-7

Ministry *"I cannot even imagine where I would be today were it not for that handful of friends who have given me a heart full of joy. Let's face it friends make life a lot more fun."* – Charles R. Swindoll
Ministry isn't ministry if you don't have friends to minister with.

Finances *"I finally know what distinguishes man from the other beasts: financial worries."* – Julie Renard
Thank God, we have the promises of scripture that if we seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, all things will be added to us. He told us not to worry, because worry cannot add an inch to our height. Compared to the flowers and the birds, how much more does God love us!

Happiness *"Love is when the other person's happiness is more important than your own."* – H. Jackson Brown
Look into your own heart. Is this true?



Marriage Tip by Teresa Stamman *Be kind to your sweetheart*

Without kindness in your relationship, your marriage won't last. Here are some ways to check up on yourself to see how kind you are in your marriage. ♥ You say "yes" a lot more than "no" when your spouse asks for a favor or for help. ♥ You are willing to share that last piece of pie or cookie because being kind is being generous. ♥ You listen with your heart. ♥ You don't interrupt your spouse. ♥ You are polite and say "please" and "thank you" when speaking to your spouse. ♥ You don't think it is old fashioned to open a heavy door for your spouse or to share your jacket if your mate is shivering. ♥ You show respect for your mate. ♥ You let your spouse know how much he/she is appreciated. ♥ You don't roll your eyes when your spouse says something you disagree with or something you think is trivial or boring. ♥ You routinely look for the good in your spouse. ♥ You are helpful. ♥ You don't allow unkind comments to flow from your lips. ♥ You make sure that your teasing is fun and not offensive.

JANUARY

- 1 **Madison, WI** 401 Blackhawk Ave. - Jorge Hernandez (608)577-2375
- 2 **Pleasant Hill, MO** 18310 E Moorland - Darrick & Melinda Stirling (816)739-6833
- 3 **AM Lathrop, MO** First Assembly of God, 110 Pine St. - Pastor Brian Elliott (816)528-3807
- 3 **PM Hartford, SD** Home meeting, 46485 Country Lane - Ruslan Perets (605)595-3233
- 4 **Carroll, IA** Home meeting, 11375 Mahogany Ave. - Doug & DeeAnn Pudenz (712)830-8490
- 5 **Plymouth, IL** Plymouth Assembly of God - Kevin Lingenfelter (309)458-6677 or 458-3293 or (217)242-6213
- 6 **Cicero, IL** Home meeting, 2715 59th Ave. - Cesar Bautista (708)774-9887
- 7 **Rice Lake, WI** Home meeting, 1529 24-1/2 St. - Bobbie & Thomas Demers (715)651-2373
- 8 **Sioux City, IA** Word of Life, 1478 Buchanan Ave. - Wally Green (712)259-2863 or 258-0405 or 203-0980
- 9-10 **Lawrenceburg, KY** Open Bible Church, 1830 Old Frankfort Rd. - Rev. Jeff Tyler (502)517-1480
- 11 **Centuria, WI** New Wine Ministries, 309 5th St. - Rev. Randy Stone (715)220-5920
- 12 **Jasper, MN** Jasper Community Church, 4th and Poorbaugh - Rev. Bill Ostermeier (605)212-3180
- 13 **Floyd, IA** Gospel Lighthouse, 201 Madison St. - Rev. Paul Phillips (641)330-4246
- 14 **Downing, WI** N12099 State Rd. 79 - Merlin & Gail Burton (651)260-8892
- 15 **Minneapolis, MN** 1901 Portland Ave. - Rev. Matthew Goers (651)260-7045
- 16 **Conway, AR** 2550 Orchard Park - Rev. Ken Speck (501)472-3737
- 17 **Fort Lauderdale, FL** - James Taylor Bruce (954)781-1114
- 18-20 **HONDURAS MISSION TRIP** (Tom's days)
- 21 **Ellijay, GA** - Irene & Matthew Witt (706)889-2481
- 22 **Amherst, WI** Home meeting, 10285 Lake Meyers Rd. - Jan & Mark Brzezinski (715)321-0940
- 23 **Badger, IA** Badger Lutheran Church, 127 2nd Ave. SE - Mike McBride (515)570-5011 or Harry Armstrong (515)408-4775
- 24 **AM Des Moines, IA** New Life Center, 1057 23rd St. - Pastor Jamel Crawford (515)988-8735
- 24 **PM Winona, MN** 208 Barbara Ct. - Mr. & Mrs. Young (507)312-4714
- 25 **Greenville, WI** Home meeting, N 1467 Julius Dr. - Tricia & Chris Voigtlander (920)228-0253
- 26 **Mauston, WI** Outreach - Rev. Gail Flemming (608)548-8729 or Rev. Tony Flemming (608)548-7077 or Isaac Flemming (608)387-0656
- 27 **Tiffin, IA** Lifepointe Christian Faith, 400 Stephans St., Suite A - Rev. Tommy Roberts (319)545-4031
- 28 **Ankeny, IA** Open Bible Fellowship, 1125 SW 3rd St. - Rev. Wally Shea (515)306-1144
- 29 **Adams/Friendship, WI** Outreach, 205 W. 2nd St. - Rev. Doug Schauer (715)424-6036 or Rev. Rita Fosnow (608)339-7766 or 2946
- 30 **Belle Fourche, SD - REVIVAL MEETING** - Alan Kindsfater (605)210-1162
- 31 **Newcastle, WY** Newcastle Foursquare Church, 1525 S Summit Ave. - Rev. Michael Bohn (307)746-3618

FEBRUARY

- 1 **River Falls, WI** Rick Swanson Celebration, W 11149 County Rd MM - (715)220-1876
- 2 **Cedar Falls, IA** Home meeting, 2816 Scenic Dr. - Kay Cervatti (319)269-0790
- 3 **St. Francis, WI (near Milwaukee)** New Day Fellowship (located in the *In Focus Photography* building), 4160 S. Kinnickinnic - Rev. Jerry & Rev. Mary Braunsdorf (414)483-2526 or 708-0076
- 4 **Granite Falls, MN** Outreach, Granite Grinder, 176 East Hwy 212 - Lisa Massman (320)564-4244
- 5 **Montello, WI** Home meeting, N5850 11th Rd. - Aaron & Billie Jo Staveness (608)369-1506
- 6 8:30-4:00 **Reedsburg, WI - IMI REGIONAL CONFERENCE** New Life Assembly of God, 1229 8th St. - Rev. Clark Peterson (608)393-8323
- 7 **Sanford, NC** Healing Rivers, Dennis A. Wicker Civic Center, 1801 Nash St. - Rev. Ron Swails (919)895-2102 or 542-1555
- 8 **Lawton, OK** Home meeting, 5316 S.W. Tyler Ave. - Rev. Pina (704)960-9914 & Rev. Rex Hipp (704)614-6232
- 9-11 **HONDURAS MISSION TRIP** (Tom's days)
- 12 **Milton, WI** 3001 E Hwy. 59 - Darnell Curran (608)247-8491
- 13 **Arlington, WA** The Pointe Church, 16910 59th Ave. NE - Rev. Lorna Lovett (425)293-5206
- 14-15 **Monroe, WA** Foursquare Church, 17310 W. Main St. - Rev. Bruce Hill (360)794-7481
- 16 **Huxley, IA** Harvest Fellowship, 522 East 5th - Brad Schroeder (515)528-1645
- 17 **St. Paul Park, MN** Household of Faith, 1090 Chicago Ave. - Rev. Rich Pfeffer (612)267-2406
- 18 **Camano Island, WA** 907 Marshall Dr. - Brian & Carole Jacobs (425)760-2883
- 19 **Lihue, HI** Home meeting, 1941 Nana Pali Street - Mr. & Mrs. Melvin Valdez (808)639-1312
- 20 **Lihue, HI - ENTREPRENEUR CONFERENCE** Aloha Church, 2545 Apatane St. - Vil Galiza (808)645-0909 or 244-7177
- 21 **AM Kapaa, HI** Kapaa Assembly of God, 5481 Koa St. - Rev. Jerry Bourgouis (808)821-1820 or 246-1882
- 21 **PM Lihue, HI** Aloha Church, 2545 Apatane St. - Vil Galiza (808)645-0909 or 244-7177
- 22 **Kapaa, HI** Home meeting - Brian & Kathy Grey (808)635-3419
- 23 **Janesville, WI** Outreach, 2211 Ruger Ave. - Rev. Laura Diehl (608)290-6912
- 24 **New Berlin, WI** WeatherStone Church, 1500 S. West Lane - Rev. David Ford (262)754-1122
- 25 **Evansville, WI** 17730 Emery Rd. - Jenny Miller (608)669-6491
- 26 **Palm Desert, CA** 525 San Onofre Ave. - Jeff & Makenzi Smith (760)219-5722
- 27 **Joshua Tree, CA** Lighthouse Christian Church, 5475 Sunburst Ave. - Rev. Rob Porter (626)482-4883
- 28 **AM & PM Joshua Tree, CA** Lighthouse Christian Church, 5475 Sunburst Ave. - Rev. Rob Porter (626)482-4883
- 29 **PM Winnebago, IL** Crossroads Community Church - Winnebago campus, 103 N. Benton St. - Melissa Bushman (815)677-0862