

# WISDOM FROM THE *Word*

## SEVEN NUGGETS I LEARNED FROM MARY

Many evangelicals are resistant to speak on the virtues of Mary, because of a certain denomination's overemphasis on her. However, there are numerous parts of her life that should set an example for us.

*She was a virgin.*

What percentage of the world and what percentage of God's holy people can say that they were a virgin when they got married? By God's grace, I was one of them. It's interesting that the 144,000 mentioned in Revelation 14 that are God's special agents were virgins, which defeats the theology of Jehovah's Witnesses who have people claiming to be one of the 144,000, and yet they are not virgins. Nevertheless, Mary set an example of holiness that is quite rare nowadays. How are you doing in your sexual life? "Flee fornication," said Paul the apostle (I Corinthians 16:8); homosexuality is an abomination and worthy of death in Leviticus; and Jesus said don't lust. One of the Ten Commandments is, "Thou shalt not commit adultery." How are you doing? Let us be like Mary.

Mary risked her reputation by conceiving a child by the Holy Spirit. What percentage of the people would have believed her in her day, or in our day? Paul said that he was a fool for Christ. Do people think you are a fool for Christ? Many times my wife and I are condemned by others for helping orphans, preaching the gospel, prophesying, and working seventeen hours a day, 362 days a year. It is difficult to do things for God, and other people do not understand what we are doing. When I was in high school, I spoke at a pep rally and had over a thousand kids laugh at me. Are we willing to face persecution, ridicule, criticism and judgment from others for the sake of Christ? Mary did!!! Other born-again Christians despise prophesying and come against me. Other Christians don't like the way I do it. Frankly, I don't like the way they don't do it. Understand, my wife and I could have retired five years ago. We give our lives to help others, but people condemn, judge and criticize. As I have said before, "It's a small price to pay to love a child."

Mary chose not to be afraid. Even though Herod killed the baby boys in Bethlehem, she chose not to be afraid. What are you afraid of? Rejection \* lack of resources \* loss of reputation \* failure \* death \* bad weather \* airplanes \* Muslims \* the police \* the government \* sickness \* getting old? 365 times in the Bible, God tells us to not be afraid. We need to "faith" our fears. Fear paralyzes. Fear robs us. Jesus rebuked His disciples for being afraid of people, lacking finances, and worrying about resources. He told me, "Oh T (instead of ye) of little faith." The fastest way to meet the Comforter is to step out of your comfort zone. I have been to Islamic countries, experienced topsy-turvy flights, driven in horrible weather, owed over one million dollars, spoken in front of groups over 13,000 times, hit many deer, rolled a vehicle, had death threats, and faced knives, guns, gangs, the IRS, the feds, a corrupt court system, and jail. May I testify that God has delivered me every time. So, do something this year that requires faith. Take a risk. Do something out of the ordinary.



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- Feb 4** **IMI REGIONAL & BUSINESS CONFERENCE** 9:00 - 4:00  
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*These are Tom's days. Feel free to come before or stay longer.*  
**January 14-17 • February 23-25 • March 8-10 • March 29-31**

**Prayer requests** Pray that God protects us from bad people in Honduras and in any parts of the world where IMI is helping or is established. \* Pray that God will surround us with good people who fear God, who have a heart according to God's heart. \* We need good soldiers for Jesus who will help us get to the next level this year. \* Pray that God will send us good partners who will work side by side in this awesome dream that God gave us.

**Determination** "Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time." – Thomas Edison

**Keep at it** "Champions keep playing until they get it right." – Billie Jean King

**As Tom says...** "Become the nightmare of the devil's dreams."

**Report from Teresa** We had an opportunity to take the children with the best behavior and best grades in school to the beach. We had an awesome time there. All the kids have never seen the ocean before, so for

them, it was an amazing experience. They were the happiest children ever! They built sand castles, had a boat ride and were in the water all day long. It was worth it to see them happy.

While the children are on vacation, they are having activities, like church and learning different disciplines. A good example is Carlos. He is learning to fix cars. Right now, he learned to change tires. Carlos is very excited and wants to be a mechanic. Paola is learning to use the sewing machine. Wendy is in the bakery learning to make cakes and bread. Christian is helping the carpenter make doors and install them. Antonio is working on the farm, etc.



We had an awesome time during our Christmas party with the children. They received lots of presents and clothes. We had a church service with all the workers and children. Tom was making everybody laugh with his jokes and we had a very good time. We also had a great meal together. For New Year's Eve, the kids made a man out of old clothes. They put a lot of fireworks inside and set them off at twelve o'clock. It was so much fun.

Yesterday – Sunday night – we went to church, but because it was very cold, all the churches were closed. Interestingly enough, the only place we found having church was Pastor Julio in the park in the rain. While we were driving there, I was telling the children that all the churches are closed, and it looks like in the last days there is no church because everybody is skeptical and people are not willing to worship God anymore. During one part of the service, a young man, handicapped with a disability, spoke. God used him to talk to us. He repeated all my conversation with the children in the bus on the way to church. It was amazing! The children were commenting about "how he knows what we were talking about". God is so powerful! We could see firsthand that He is a real God. It was so great that the children could experience that.

**Four new children have arrived** We are pleased to announce our four new children. The girls are ages thirteen and ten and the boys are ages six and five. The five-year-old looks about two. They are sweet children, and they have already found friends and feel the love from the IMI children. I wish you could meet them.

**Christmas giving** We thank God for the wonderful Christmas giving from Christian Family Church in Owatonna, Minnesota, and our donors from across America. As Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." We celebrated Christmas on December 28th in Honduras. They loved their presents and especially the Savior Jesus Christ. We had a great time and we led them all in the sinner's prayer. In the first part of January, we will have the children go shopping and pick out some more presents. They love to go shopping. We gave them freedom to buy what they want to buy. I thank God and His people for their generosity. Our four new children enjoyed themselves and were so happy to have a new place to live, new friends and new love. Later that afternoon, we invited our workers to a supper. Over fifty of them showed up. We played games, and I taught on values. They were laughing their heads off, and then, we led them in the sinner's prayer. We allowed them to share. We had our attorney, psychologist, social worker and head engineer share their hearts about IMI.

**December missions trip** We were blessed to have Polly and Roxanne from the Twin Cities in Minnesota. They came down for a week at the end of December. They had a blast loving on the children. They were impressed with what God has done. Today (December 29th) they are going to the garbage dump. Mike and Cindy and their granddaughter from Ohio are back. They have been to Honduras numerous times. Cindy is the one who helps people with their mission trips and has the title of missions director. Mike is our ice cream maker and pizza baker. He has helped us in so many ways, especially setting up the ice cream maker and the hotel. At the Christmas party, he served ice cream, and New Year's Eve weekend, he made pizza. They love the children and the children love them. We welcome back Joseph Brown for a fourth time. Joseph is from northern Minnesota and is one of the hardest working guys we know. He works with Luther on the farm for a month. Last year, he planted a hundred avocado trees.



February 2017

**Impact  
Ministries  
International**

**In January** We welcome back Rev. Kurt Verhoeven, an IMI board member. He has been to Honduras over ten times. He is bringing a team. His teams enjoy playing with the children and helping others catch the vision. We also are looking forward to having Charles and Susan Olson come to Honduras for a second time. They were here two years ago. I have known this outstanding couple for thirty years. Also, Jim Peterson will be joining us for the first time. I met him in Madison, Wisconsin, a number of years ago. He is excited about the agriculture.

**Dentist update** We are waiting for dental equipment to come to the store in Tegucigalpa. Pray that we can have all we need and don't have to wait like what normally happens in Honduras.

**Dr. Teresa's dream** God gave me a dream to build a hospital which will be the best in the area where people from America will come to get treatments and operations for a lower cost than America. They can also bring their own surgeon if they like, or we can get American surgeons to perform operations here in our hospital. This hospital will generate income to help us to keep going and will create jobs. We will be able to help poor people who can not pay for a medical treatment. When I shared my dream with a medical doctor here in Comayagua, he was very excited and said that there is a hospital in Guatemala that has the same model. It is the best in the country and has been run by missionaries for 400 years. When I heard that, my heart was almost leaping out of my chest thinking we can be the second hospital in this hemisphere that will help the less fortunate and at the same time help Americans that don't have enough funds to be operated on in the USA. So, we have an appointment in January to see the Guatemalan hospital and their team. I'm taking a trip with our engineer, lawyer, accountant, and social workers to tour their facilities and learn from them. We don't want to reinvent the wheel; we want to make it better. In the USA, we have Obama Care; here in the City of Refuge, we will have "Stamman Care". PTL. Pray for the dream God placed in my heart.

**Help a child with college** We enjoyed spending time with our eldest daughter in the orphanage, Adriana. We are so proud of her. She loves the children and is attending college to become a doctor. Adriana is very mature and spent two weeks with the children, giving advice and teaching them to be thankful and respectful to people and things. She came to the beach with us. I had the opportunity to spend quality mother-daughter time with her. She opened her heart to me. I listened to her and gave her advice about life and about dating. We enjoy our time together. God is so good to allow her to be with us. We pray she will be strong to continue and not give up in this career that is not easy but demands tenacity and hard work. Please pray about helping Adriana become a doctor. Her life was very hard growing up. Her grandma was a prostitute and her mother, aunts and sisters grow up in that environment. She escaped from there, and now she has a new life and a better future. IMI is looking for six sponsors for \$100 a month or two sponsors for \$300 a month or one sponsor for \$600 a month. Please mark **Adriana** on your check.

**Sponsor a poor child to go to school for \$20 per month or \$200 a year** Sponsors will get updates and emails from the children. This is a great opportunity for you to help a child and change the world through bilingual Christian education.



At the restaurant



At the park



New Year's Eve

**Long-term missionaries**

**Joshua** has been in the States since November 23rd and we really miss him. We

have been waiting for my Delta sky miles to accumulate so I can get his ticket. We anticipate him to be returning mid-January for three months. He and Josue, our welder/electrician, have done a tremendous job building dumbbell racks and trees for the plates and putting up two basketball poles. Plus, everybody loves Joshua.

**Pam Arnold** had her ticket to come back to Honduras in December, but she got very sick. She also has a wedding and some family matters to attend to. Her plans are to come in April. Pam has begun to speak in churches to create awareness and to sell the children's jewelry which raises money for their education.

**Dustin Miller** with his wife, three children and mother-in-law from Seattle are getting ready to come in February. We are going as fast as we can to get their house finished.

**Hallelujah report** We won all three lawsuits in Honduras. All glory to God! There's one more lawsuit to go. With God's help, it's a slam dunk.

**96-bed dorm has begun to become a reality** The foundation is done, and the footings are finished, and now begins the exciting part of seeing the walls built. As of December 28th, the walls are two and a half feet tall. The dream of building a Bible camp is becoming a reality! We are excited to use it for an orphanage, a Bible camp or both. It's a huge building. To give, mark **dorms** on your check.

**Multipurpose building breaking ground in January** We have a new engineer and he is redoing the plans for the multipurpose building. This is one of the few times we have had a delay, however, the expertise of our engineer is crucial for the long term. Our buildings are being built safer and more efficiently. It's that patient thing again. Phase one is prepping the land and putting in the footings and the foundation. This will cost \$18,000 and will be done in a three-month period. This next phase will be the laying of the huge cement slab that will cost \$12,000. Then, it's the columns/pillars. This is probably a two-year project, but one day it will be done. Estimated start date ranges from mid-January to the beginning of February. This building will be used for crusades, Bible camp and sports. For our ministry meetings, we figure 800 people will be able to fit into this place. It will be one of the larger meeting places in the area.

**Building projects in the months of December and January** Our six contractors and our electrician/welder/maintenance man with his crew are busy.

**Torres** finished the duplex and the septic system at the end of December. Two families are ready to move in. Hallelujah! Rodolfo is finishing the doors and windows as we write this newsletter. The building will be completed the first part of January. *Missionary house* – In December, Torres finished the tile in the two-bedroom house and the outside. Everything else is finished, and in January, he plans on digging the septic system. We have a company building the doors and windows. Our missionaries move in at the end of February. God's timing is amazing! Torres will then concentrate on turning our duplex into a triplex. Afterwards, he will work on the hospital, around May.

**Omar** has finished the foundations and footings of the 96-bed dorms. At the end of December, he started the walls of the building. These dorms will house 96 world changers and will be complete with sixteen to twenty toilets and shower stalls.

**Navoth and his two brothers** are working on the preteen building. The outside and the walls are complete. The roof is finished, and by the end of January, the building will be painted and the tile completed. Their next project in January will be digging the foundation and footings of the new art and music rooms. When the crew is finished with that, they will add an extra apartment for missionaries. After that, they will begin building our new mall.

**Rodolfo** just finished the roof on the preteen building. He also just finished the doors and the windows of the duplex. Rodolfo has a lot of work ahead of him. In January, he will be working on the roof of the butcher shop, and then the doors and windows of the triplex. After that, he will finish the roof on the girls laundry room.

**Moises** will, as of December, have completed the butcher shop exterior. He will have to wait until Rodolfo is done with the roof before he can put in the flooring and plaster the interior. This building has to be designed just right, as we are going to be butchering a lot of meat. We hope to have it finished by February. This will be so much more sanitary than butchering outside. This will also put us in a position to sell our meat to high-end restaurants and grocery stores. In the meantime, Moises is putting up a security fence between the volleyball field and the girls dorms where there is a four-foot drop. It is extremely dangerous, so he is starting on this right away. The next project for Moises will be to build housing on our farms across the river. The number one problem we have in agriculture is "two-legged coyotes". Besides giving people homes, the thieves will see that we have people with eyes. The first one will be next to the gate. People constantly come in and cut our trees, and in the past, they would steal our grain.

**Julio** Because of the uniqueness and high skill level of Julio, we are going to have him concentrate on the tourism aspect of the City of Refuge. I will explain later in the newsletter our strategy. He is beginning work on a pool designed for tourism. This will be a sixteen-month project, but it will put us on the tourism map in Honduras.

**Duplex is morphing into a triplex** Our engineer has finished the plans of turning our duplex into a triplex. His starting date is in late February or early March, and we hope to have it finished by May. Hallelujah!

**Farming prayers** We need a lot of prayers for our farmers to be responsible and take care of the animals and production like their own. Pray for the animals and plants. We lost 35 baby chickens yesterday because it was very cold with forty-degree temperatures.

**Missionary gives donation to buy a grass and corn stalk cutter** My engineer told me that one of the benefits of raising corn is that we can feed the cattle, sheep, goats and horses the stalks and husks. But much is wasted. The animals pee and poop on the food, and then, they won't eat it. But thanks to a missionary, we will purchase the machine in January. It will chop up the corn husks and stalks and the grass, and we won't waste this precious resource. Thanks, sister.

**Missionary donates money to plant fifty mango trees** The average mango tree produces 350 pounds of fruit a year at a dollar a pound. Over forty years, a tree can produce over \$15,000 worth of mangos. What can fifty produce? Our goal is to have 10,000 mango trees. They take three to five years to produce. It's a long-term investment that will create many jobs and help take care of our orphanage for many years to come.

**Corn crops** We have another harvest of corn this month. Raising corn has three purposes: Making tortillas, selling the excess to pay for the new planting and feeding the husks and stalks to the livestock. We continue to harvest corn on the backside of our property. This is amazing as one year ago the ten acres were covered with trees and thorn bushes. Hallelujah!

**Well update** Another delay, Mike's truck broke down and he had to order another one from the States. This problem doesn't delay us though as we are investing in another part of agriculture until we are ready for Mike, hopefully in January. We have received a designated offering for our well. It will water 52 acres, and with the pump, it will cost nearly \$12,500. We will be able to triple our herd of cattle. We will become one of the largest cattle ranchers in the area, and the only ranch that has green grass year round.

**52-acre farm** Our farmer has cleared the third section of land, removing the trees and thorn bushes. We will be putting in our well to water 52 acres of green grass. Should the Lord continue to bless us, our goal is to have eleven parcels to rotate the cows every three days to fresh green Mombasa grass which has 450% more protein than Honduran grass. God is good! We have sent \$1,500 to prepare the next five acres for January. I had a chance to see the first parcel. What was weeds, thorns and trees is now a field of grass. God is amazing!

**Tilapia tanks** We have found another engineer who will build our tilapia tanks for about one-third the cost. They will build three tanks, starting in mid-January. The ponds are sixty feet across and should be completed by February. The poop water will feed our vegetables and also our grass. The fish will receive fresh water every day. The water is used twice. We will be able to raise enough fish to feed the children and sell the excess to make a profit. This is one of our most important projects as we will be using very modern technology. We hope to teach other farmers how to do agriculture like we are doing.

**Farm babies** Our calves are doing great, and we have ten females pregnant. Seven of our pregnant heifers have our new Holstein bull as the father. This will greatly increase our milk production. Also, we have a new baby goat! Yay! We have three baby rabbits and three new baby turkeys, too. A lizard destroyed almost all of our turkeys, but thank God, we are bouncing back. Baby ducks are on the way. Mama duck is laying on ten eggs. My favorite kosher meat is duck. I feel so lucky!!!

**Eggs are selling so fast, we cannot keep up** These are some of the biggest eggs I have ever seen. They are about fifty percent bigger than large eggs in the USA. The new chickens are laying eggs like crazy, and we still can't keep up with the demand in the store.

**Sudan update** Please pray for my friend, Dan, from Sudan. He is going back to South Sudan for

the first time since he was a boy running from the Muslims. We blessed him with three boxes of clothes to take with him.

**IMI land purchases in 2016**

• **Thirty farm acres on the river in Honduras**

This excellent location across from our main property is connected to our two farm properties across the river, next to water. This invaluable farm land with black dirt is paid off!!! Thank you, Jesus!

• **One lot in Peru for a hotel and outreach center in a tourism area** We are making weekly payments, believing God to pay it off in one year.

• **25 acres to build a safe house in the most southern tip of the United States** We put thirty percent down and are making monthly payments. At this rate, it will be paid off in about nine years.

• **Eleven acres in Belize** We put twenty percent down and arranged payments for five years, but our goal is to pay it off in 2017.

• **78 acres in Belize, split with my business partner, Al** Monthly payments are due until pay off in January, 2019.

**Peru** We are looking for an engineer or architect to design a building. According to the pastors and missionaries, a rec center would be an ideal facility to build. The YMCA was originally intended to bring the gospel to people through sports and exercise. I'm not sure if they have that vision or purpose at the present time. By having a facility like that, we will also have an opportunity to win souls and disciple believers. Orphanages in the area have expressed a need to have a place of recreation to bless their children.

**Incredible answer to prayer – 25 acres down south in USA**

We have the plans to build a safe house; all we need is enough money to get the permits so we can begin building. There's 185,000 people and not one safe house. Our location is so private, we need to put in a new road. Waiting is not my specialty, but we are believing and praying that people will donate and help us build a safe house. To donate, mark **safe house** on your check. If you have questions, please call me at (612)816-3124.

**Belize** Currently, we are making payments on our two properties in Belize. We are excited to see what God is going to do. Our options are housing development, farming or tourism. We are praying and believing God for people to donate to Belize. If you are interested in helping us bring glory to God in Belize, mark **Belize** on your check.

**Eleven acres with a possible partnership to buy another twenty in Belize**

We closed on the eleven acres in the middle of November. There is an additional twenty acres that is for sale at \$1,000 an acre. This land is about 35 to 45 minutes from the airport. It is only two miles away from the turnout to the Mayan ruins. We are praying for housing for the poor and agriculture and perhaps tourism, leading to evangelism and outreach. The Mormon church does this effectively in Hawaii. This is an opportunity to partner with IMI by buying land on a river in Belize at only \$1,000 an acre. If you are interested, please let me know.

**78-acre partnership** My business partner and good friend, Al, and Impact Ministries International bought 78 acres in Belize. The original price was \$100,000, and we were able to purchase it for \$50,000. The property is halfway between the capitol, Belmopan, and Belize City, approximately 45 minutes from the airport. They have checked the land and said it's beautiful. It has mango trees and a few abandoned small buildings. Our thoughts for this property is to begin farming and use the profits to help the orphanages in the area until we can establish our own.

**Blessings from Sam and Becky Barber in Belize**

What crazy busy times that we have had recently! We sang in a cantata at the church where we practiced and also across the country at an Evangelical Mennonite Missions Church in Spanish Lookout. Another highlight was attending a camp over the New Year's weekend. It was a great time of rest, recreation, and reflection. We also counseled and gave spiritual and emotional support to a set of twins with a rough situation. Many young people are left to raise themselves. I am glad that we are available to help as God leads and puts people in our paths. Would you consider supporting us this year? Checks can be sent to IMI with **Barbers** in the memo line.

**GPS Hope**

If you have lost a child from this earth, or know someone who has, please allow us to introduce you to IMI ministers Laura and Dave Diehl. Their full-time ministry to bereaved parents is called **Grieving Parents Sharing Hope (GPS Hope)** and was started after the death of their own daughter, Becca. Laura is an international speaker and author and her Kidz Korner articles were featured in the IMI newsletter for several years.

Her most popular books are:

**When Tragedy Strikes: Rebuilding Your Life With Hope and Healing After the Death of Your Child** (Morgan James Publishing, New York)

**My Grief Journey: A Coloring Book and Journal for Grieving Parents**

**Come Grieve Through Our Eyes: How to Give Comfort and Support to Bereaved Parents**

(Note: A \$35 "Gift of Hope" donation allows all three books to be given to a grieving parent who does not have the finances to purchase them.)

There are many facets to Laura and Dave's unique and needed ministry, including a **GPS Hope & Healing Conference**. For more information about ordering books, giving donations, hosting conferences, or using the other resources they offer, go to [www.gpshope.org](http://www.gpshope.org).



*Healthy Teaching*  
by Dr. Teresa

In the next newsletter, I will continue with the *Route to Optimal Health*. This time I would like to introduce you to the curative power of essential oils. I used to be very skeptical about essential oils, because when I went to medical school, they didn't teach about alternative medicine. Seeing how people are using essential oils and the market is saturated with them, I started to wonder if they really work. As I read more, I found that there is a lot of research done about them. Essential oils, right now, are widely used in hospitals as alternative treatments for different diseases and are being used in cosmetics, cleaning supplies and more.

Every newsletter, I will share a little bit about the curative power of essential oils. There are so many that it is very hard to choose which one to talk about. This time, I chose lavender. This weekend we took the best behaved children to the beach as a reward; they had a lot of fun, but we had a lot of mosquito bites. When I looked for a good and natural treatment, I found out that lavender works very well for itching, and it helps to calm and heal inflammation of the skin after a mosquito bite.

This is essential

**LAVENDER**



*Lavender essential oil has various health benefits. It is analgesic, anti-inflammatory, antiseptic, antiviral, bactericide, calming, cicatrizing, fungicide, nerve, relaxing and sedative. These properties make it perfect for treating bites and stings.*

*Bug repellent: The smell of lavender essential oil is potent for repelling many types of bugs like mosquitoes, midges and moths. It has a pleasant smell that bugs (and their bites) seem to hate. Before going outside, apply some of the lavender oil on the exposed skin. Furthermore, if you do happen to be bitten by a bug, lavender essential oil has anti-inflammatory qualities that will reduce irritation and pain.*

*Acne: According to dermatologists and aromatherapists, lavender is one of the most beneficial oils in the treatment of acne.*

*Sleep: Lavender essential oil induces sleep, making it a common recommendation for an alternative insomnia treatment. Frequent studies on elderly patients have shown that when their normal sleep medication is replaced with some lavender essential oil placed on their pillows, there is an increase in their sleep regularity.*

*Nervous system: Lavender essential oil has a calming scent which makes it an excellent tonic for the nerves and anxiety issues. Therefore, it can also be helpful in treating migraines, headaches, depression, nervous tension and emotional stress.*



**Tom and Teresa's  
MISSION TRIPS**

The dates listed are Tom's days.

**Honduras**

February 23-25  
March 8-10  
March 29-31

**Ireland**

April 13-15

**FEBRUARY**

- 1 **Francis, WI (near Milwaukee)** New Day Fellowship, 4147 Kinnickinnick St. - Rev. Jerry & Rev. Mary Braunsdorf (414)708-0041 or 0076
- 2 **Rice Lake, WI** Home meeting, WI 1529 24-1/2 St. - Bobbie & Thomas Demers (715)651-2373
- 3 **Montello, WI** N 5850 N 11th Rd. - Billie Jo & Aaron Staveness (608)369-1506
- 4 9 AM - 4 PM **Reedsburg, WI - IMI REGIONAL & BUSINESS CONFERENCE** New Life Assembly of God, 1229 8th St. - Rev. Clark Peterson (608)393-8323
- 5 **Des Moines, IA** New Life Center, 1057 23rd St. - Pastor Jamel Crawford (515)988-8735
- 5 **\*\*\*NEW\*\*\* 6 PM Lake Elmo, MN** 2662 Lisbon Ave. N - Mark Bezdick (612)816-7799
- 6 **Cedar Falls, IA** Home meeting, 2816 Scenic Dr. - Kay Cervatti (319)269-0790
- 7 **Camano Island, WA** 907 Marshall Dr. - Brian & Carole Jacobs (360)387-4492 or (425)760-2852 or 760-2883
- 8 **Kapaa, HI** 5160 Kahana St. - Susan Swink (808)635-8263
- 9 **\*\*\*NEW\*\*\* Lihue, HI** 2612 Apapane - Brian & Cathy Gray (808)482-1562
- 10 **Lihue, HI** Kauai Veterans Center, 3215 Kapule Hwy. - Sherry Gonsalves (808)246-1135
- 11 9 AM - 3 PM **Lihue, HI - ENTREPRENEUR & MINISTERS CONFERENCE** Aloha Church Kauai, 4534 Uahi Rd. - Vil Galiza (808)645-0909 or 244-7177
- 11 **\*\*\*NEW\*\*\* 6 PM Lihue, HI** Home meeting, 1941 Nana Pali St. - Mr. & Mrs. Melvin Valdez (808)639-1312
- 12 AM **Kapaa, HI** Kapaa Assembly of God, 5481 Koa St. - Rev. Jerry Bourgouis (808)821-1820 or 246-1882
- 12 PM **Lihue, HI** Aloha Church Kauai, 4534 Uahi Rd. - Vil Galiza (808)645-0909 or 244-7177
- 13 **Palm Desert, CA** 525 San Onofre Ave. - Jeff & Makenzi Smith (760)219-5722
- 14 **Lonsdale, MN - VALENTINE'S BANQUET** Tom & Teresa Bed & Breakfast (with chef Sandy Garafalo), 10036 Clearwater Ct. - Enjoy romantic suites, food, powerful prayers, short teaching and lots of fun! - Tom Stamman (612)202-6064
- 15 **St. Paul Park, MN** Household of Faith, 1090 Chicago Ave. - Rev. Rich Pfeffer (612)267-2406
- 16 **Adams/Friendship, WI** Outreach, 205 W. 2nd St. - Pastor Dennis (715)459-4180 or 424-6036 or Rev. Rita Fosnow (608)339-7766 or 2946
- 17 **Ft. Dodge, IA** 1119 6th Ave. N - Brad & Amy Strickland (515)571-4210
- 18 **Arlington, WA** The Pointe Church, 16910 59th Ave. NE - Rev. Lorna Lovett (425)293-5206
- 19 **Monroe, WA** Foursquare Church, 17310 W. Main St. - Rev. Bruce Hill (360)794-7481
- 20 **Forest Lake, MN** American Legion, 355 W. Broadway - IMI MN representative Matthew Goers (651)260-7045
- 21 **Wisconsin Rapids, WI** Anointing Oil Faith Church, 1320 Pepper Ave. - Pastor Clara Kobs (715)540-6194
- 22 **New Berlin, WI** Weatherstone Church, 1500 S West Lane - Pastor Dave Ford (262)951-5453
- 23-25 **HONDURAS MISSION TRIP (Tom's days)**
- 26 AM & PM **Tipton, IA** Calvary Foursquare Church, 1100 Hwy. 38 - (563)886-6418
- 27 **Monmouth, IL** Outreach, River of Life Church - Shawn Hart (309)734-4374 or 536-0234
- 28 **Sacramento, CA** 2531 Verna Way - Rev. Luke McCluske (916)396-1423



At the beach



Building sand castles



Enjoying a boat ride



Drinking coconut water



Dorm walls



Butcher shop

**MARCH**

- 1 **Roseville, CA** The Olive Branch Church, 1052 Melody Lane - Pastor James Hoegger (916)784-2470
- 2 8 AM & 6 PM **Loomis, CA** Marvel Upper Room, 3201 Swetzer Rd. - Michael Davis (916)826-9266
- 3 **Western Springs, IL** 5305 Howard Ave. - Rick Jumpa (708)706-4722
- 4 **Lancaster, WI** 8496 Hwy 61 - Rev. Bill & Rev. Esther Sefrood (608)214-1181 or 723-2805
- 5 **Exelund, WI** Evening Living Faith Church - Rev. Tim Jerry (715)415-4656
- 6 **Richland Center, WI** Outreach, 28593 Hwy BA - Jeff Shelton (608)495-1008
- 7 **Granite Falls, MN** Outreach, Granite Grinder, 176 East Hwy 212 - Lisa Massman (320)564-4244
- 8-10 **HONDURAS MISSION TRIP (Tom's days)**
- 11 10:30 AM **North Branch, MN** Veritas Academy, 34888 Kable Ave. - Pastors Steven & Suzie Brooks (651)367-9148
- 11 6:00 PM **Chatfield, MN** Home meeting, please call - Kim Donahoe work (507)252-8097 cell (507)951-0452
- 12 AM & PM **Faribault, MN** Harvest Time Bible Church, 2627-2nd Ave. NW - Peter Kuriger (507)332-8731 or 0669
- 13 **North Branch, MN** Perkins Restaurant all invited - Phillip Lang (612)978-5321
- 14 **Ft. Dodge, IA** The Pointe, 1402 9th Ave. N. - Rev. Al Wright (515)570-3297
- 15 **Ramsey, MN** Freedom Christian Center, Hwy 10 - Rev. Mark & Anna Ried (612)670-6984
- 16 **Bourbonnais, IL** 6830 N 3000 W Rd. - Josh Burgess (815)735-6116
- 17 **Waukesha, WI** W271 S2929 Merrill Hills Rd. - Cindy Christofferson (262)434-0607
- 18 1:00 PM **Chicago, IL** 7135 Merrimack Ave. - Andrei & Eva Cristescu (312)720-9944 or 519-6459
- 19 **Lonsdale, MN** Triumphant Life Church, 221 2nd Ave - Rev. Ben Federson (952)484-7667
- 20 **Mauston, WI** Grace Community Church, 201 Oak St. - Christie & Brian Bucher (608)547-3142
- 21 **Brainerd, MN** Outreach, Communitas Church, 824 E Laurel St. - Dean the preaching machine (218)330-0326
- 22 **Epworth, IA** Epworth American Legion John White Legion Post #650, 115 E. Main St. - Bill Mausser (563)876-3293
- 23 **Ankeny, IA** Open Bible Fellowship, 1125 SW 3rd St. - Rev. Wally Shea (515)306-1144
- 24 **Rockford, IL** First Love Fellowship, 629 Vincent Ave. - Rev. Don Wynn (815)222-5291
- 25 **Amherst, WI** Home meeting, 10285 Lake Meyers Rd. - Jan & Mark Brzezinski (715)321-0940
- 26 noon **Faribault, MN** New Life in Christ, 1132 6th St. NW - Eddie Feliciano (507)210-3368
- 26 PM **Minneapolis, MN** 3015 13th Ave. S - Rev. Herman Colon (612)600-2165
- 27 **Byron, IL** 3894 E Whippoorwill Ln. - Steve & Rhonda Huber (815)209-7099
- 28 **Mt. Pleasant, IA area** Home meeting - Maribelle Lund (319)750-9570
- 29 **Lawton, OK** 5316 SW Tyler Ave. - Rev. Rex & Pina Hipp (740)930-9644
- 29-31 **HONDURAS MISSION TRIP (Tom's days)**

**Legacy options** *What are you going to leave when you leave this place?*  
 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.

**New meetings in December** IMI Church in Huron, SD with Pastor Jairo Seguro; Jon and Sarah at their

restaurant in Lake Mills, WI; and the house of Paul and Ann Raflik in Stevens Point, WI.

**IMI ministers who had me speak in December** Rev. Jeff Shelton in Richland Center, WI; Pastor Jenny Miller in Evansville, WI; Pastor Don Wynn in Rockford, IL; Rev. Dean Goosen in Brainerd, MN; Rev. David Chacon in Oswego, IL; Rev. Laura and David Diehl in Janesville, WI; Pastor Jairo Seguro in Huron, SD; Rev. Phil Lange in North Branch, MN; and Pastor Cesar Bautista in Cicero, IL.



**It's all about souls** As I recall, these are the people who received Christ in December. One to five in Evansville, WI; Mt. Pleasant, IA; Woodman, WI; Rockford, IL; Brainerd, MN; Montello, WI; Hanover, Park IL; Oswego, IL; Morris, IL; and Rochester, MN. Six to ten in Owatonna, MN; Edina, MN; Ft. Dodge, IA; and Cicero, IL. Eleven to fifteen in Hobart, IN and in Ramsey, MN. Sixteen to twenty in Huron, SD. 21-25 in St. Paul Park, MN. 100-plus in Honduras. *Hallelujah!*

**Twice in one month** I had people tell me to take time off. *TOM'S DAY-OFF FUND IS UNDER \$100.* Our daily budget is \$2500. My part to earn is \$1500. For every \$1500, I'll take a day off. Mark **day off** on your check.

**A Stammanism** There's not enough money in the world to help lazy and foolish people. Paul, who gave us the love chapter in I Corinthians 13, also said that if you don't work, you don't eat. Proverbs is full of advice for people who are foolish and lazy.

**Stamman house grows by seven** Our house is alive with ten people, including six children, ages three to seventeen. They are a handful of blessings.

**Merry Christmas** We had a full house (not gambling). We had all three of our children with their spouses, five grandchildren, Jason with his girlfriend, our ten housemates, Lorrie who is one of our IMI ministers, and a family from church that I had just met who have five children. Overall, we had 26 people stay overnight and 33 for the weekend. Thanks be to God for Sandy and Lee cooking and cleaning. We played games, had worship, opened presents, laughed, and did coins. It was a marvelous time.

**We receive donations by selling things on eBay** You can donate items and our IMI minister and partner, Nakisha Dyson, will put them on eBay. You get a full deduction and half of the monies go to IMI. The other half goes to shipping, fees and paying our people to do the work. Items should be worth \$100 to make it worthwhile. Please call **Tom** at (612)202-6064 or bring items to the meetings or send them to **IMI, PO Box 102, Lonsdale, MN 55046.**

**Need a place to come and relax?** Then we have the place for you! We are located just off of I-35 between Faribault and Burnsville, Minnesota, only thirty minutes from Cabella's and Mall of America. Come to our home, get away, experience the presence of God and bless the orphans and our partners. To book your bed-and-breakfast room, please contact **Tom** at (612)202-6064.



**Marriage Advice by Teresa**

*Discover a shared passion.* Find an activity both of you enjoy and participate in it together. Try gardening, attending classes, hiking or visiting art shows. If your partner hasn't expressed interest yet, sneakily ask for help watering your plants, or tell your spouse a friend gave you tickets to an event. If your partner gets involved once, he or she might want to do it more regularly.

**General fund** ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsoring children:**

- Sponsor a poor child for \$10 per month or \$120 per year in:
  - India  Bangladesh  Liberia  Uganda ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Sponsor five children in Guatemala for \$10 per month or \$120 per year  
*Receive photos and bios* ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Sponsor forty children in the Philippines for \$10 per month or \$120 per year  
*No photos or bios available* ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Sponsor a child for \$30 per month or \$360 per year in:  India  Honduras  
*Receive a photo and bio and you can communicate with your child* ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Honduras buildings:** *Put a name on your sponsored project and receive a photo*

- A dorm room in an orphanage for \$425 per month for 12 months or \$5,000 ... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- A classroom for \$425 per month for 12 months or \$5000 ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Honduras agriculture:** *Put a name on your sponsored project and receive a photo*

- An acre of land (donation or purchase to own) for \$300 per month for 13 months or \$3,900 ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Tilapia pond for \$300 per month or \$3600 one-time ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Greenhouse for \$375 per month for 12 months or \$4000 ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- A barn for \$500 per month for 12 months or \$6000 ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Choose a name for your sponsored animal and receive a photo*

- A mother pig for \$10 per month for 12 months or \$120 one-time ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- A heifer (female cow) for \$60 per month for 12 months or \$720 one-time ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Farming equipment:** *Put a name on your sponsored project and receive a photo*

- Manure spreader for \$8000 total or \$500 per month for 16 months ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Skid loader for \$36,000 or \$1,000 per month for three years ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Large refrigerator truck (to take meat uptown to sell to markets, grocery stores and restaurants) \$42,000 or \$1,000 per month for 3½ years  
*Drive it when you are in Honduras* ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Other:** *Describe* ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total gift giving** ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Covenant Partnership**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

*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!**

Send to:

**IMI • PO Box 102  
Lonsdale, MN 55046**

**Auto deposit for contributions.**

Remember, we are set up to place any contributors on automatic withdrawals with your bank.

E-mail us at **teresa@tstamman.com** for the form.

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**IMI retreat center is available for rent**

Do you know that you can rent a beautiful seven-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 Cabin.**

**Check out our new website** We thank God for Lee Garofalo who has redesigned our website. If you like it, you should contact him. He is talented and affordable. Lee's number is **(253)948-7665.**