

Church of the Open Bible



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JENNIFER KORYTA'S MEXICO MISSION TRIP REPORT

Thank you very much for your prayers and encouragement during our team's trip to Mexico. I was so blessed to have the opportunity to go with the LHI (Lord's Harvest International) team this summer. I had an absolutely wonderful time! We did have safe travels there and back, and I do



consider that an absolute answer to prayer and blessing from God, because on our van trip back through Mexico on Sunday, we drove by a wreck on the mountains like I have never seen in my life. It was literally two completely burned, charred "skeletons" of what apparently used to be two semis along with a body under a sheet and ambulance. Seeing that severe of an accident was tragic, but also made me so much more grateful to God for our safety and his protection during our trip and all of our health during it.

I am grateful for Rachel Carr, our wonderful translator who made the important lessons possible despite a language barrier and for all of the men who came on the trip who were so skilled, and installed some fluorescent overhead lighting and new screen doors for Lupe, both of which would be all taken for granted in most U.S. homes, but Lupe was so excited with both. The girls helped paint a gate to Lupe's home, and I was quite pleased to see that I could be as messy as I pleased (which I usually am when holding a paintbrush) because unknowingly I managed to wear the exact same color of shirt as we were painting her gate to be! ☺

I got the privilege of leading the songs and Bible school games each morning, both of which were so much fun, and a great opportunity to use some Spanish and learn more from them! We had a wonderful turnout and had as many as 90 people there. I was usually too busy singing/corralling kids/and trying to explain how to jump rope with a flipper on your foot in Spanish to stop and count the masses, but I know that any U.S. Bible school would be THRILLED to have so many kids, and this took place in a village

GENEROUS CHECKS of appreciation for our bulletins came recently from **June (Macy) Routson** (Harrisburg IL / widow of Pastor Ellsworth Routson, sister to Mary Ellen Jones) and **Lester & Betty Hollenbeck** (Deltona FL, formerly Macomb IL, in-laws to Pastor Mike Hoffman) and **Michael Daugherty** (personal friend, Lancaster OH). They had nice things to say about our church and ministry and wrote checks to help offset the costs of producing and mailing our newsletter. Thanks so much!

AMY DUNBAR PUEHLER is doing about the same per her daughter's email 8-21. They've moved her back to a former sunny room with an old friend - she's much happier there. She's doing alright physically, but is unable to speak clearly. Your prayers.

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## **OUR 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY IS ONLY 2 WEEKS AWAY (SEPT. 12--13<sup>TH</sup>) !!!**

Tentative Schedule:

Sat., Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 5 p.m. Pictures (power-point), Dinner, Fellowship  
Sunday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, 9:45 S.S. / 10:45 Worship Celebration  
(**Steve Bolhous**, speaker)

Noon: Dinner

After dinner: Organ dedication & concert by **Pastor Dale Ramsey**  
**We will have a "mystery guest" and  
leaders from our N.E. Conference celebrating with us.**

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SKIP REED AND ARLENE SZEKELY have successfully completed the free 29 lesson home Bible study course. Skip and I had dinner together in July and Arlene and I (with Al) had dinner last week. **Would you like a free dinner with Pastor Cain?** Just finish the Bible course and you pick the restaurant!

"A Day Hemmed In By Prayer Seldom Unravels."

(Seen on Arlene Szekely's T-shirt) ☺

PRAY FOR: Kathy Jones Johnson (back surgery), Skip Reed, Gene & Gloria Faehnrich, Karel (Michal Sitték's g-father), Luke (4-yr old, cancer, by SMay), Quick INS inspection approval of ABC campuses, W.C. Blankenship (heart), Susan May, Lucinda (by ASzekely), Jean Szantes (cancer, by Arlene), Josh Eberly (by SMay), Pastors Don Ward & Leon Driskill; Ken Cramer, Tammy (Koston) Lisiecki, Leslie &

Stanley Hervert (by Grace), Ruth Schuld, Susan (Stine) Bradley, Edith Speer, Jack Hearp, Kathy Reed+3 children, Craig Blankenship, **College students:** Laura Schuld, Andrew Weaver, **Shut-ins:** Carol Reed, Evelyn Pennington, Amy Dunbar Puehler **Military:** Rodger Schuld, **Missionaries in other countries:** Gaston Ucanay–Peru, Mauro Apolos Gonzalez-Uruguay, Lupe Badillo-Mexico, Tracy Zhykhovich-Russia, Pastors in Malawi & Mozambique, Lesly Bertrand and the Pastors in Haiti. / **Churches:** Knightstown Family Fellowship IN, Korean Extension Steve & Sam An, RRCC, ABC, Golden Rule, Grace Brethren and for the peace of Jerusalem, Ps. 122:6; Isa. 62:6, 7

**DEACONESSES FOR COMMUNION NEXT SUNDAY are
Mary Ellen Jones and Nancy Koston**

SEPTEMBER 2009

06 Communion / “Do this in remembrance of me.”

12-13 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION! (Two Weeks!)

20 Sunday School staff meeting

27 Mildred Dennis, guest speaker

**SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:45A.M.
WORSHIP 10:45A.M.**

Musicians: Frank Roper & Sharon Cain

Welcome / Announcements / Prayer

Worship Hymns: Mark Cain

210 Standing On The Promises

450 Trust And Obey

Prayer / Offering

Message: “Life Goes In Puzzling Circles”

Key Verses: Heb 12:11; Rom 8:18; Dan 1:3-8; 2:1-6; 3:13-18; 12:1-4, 8-10, 13

320 My Faith Looks Up to Thee



On The Light Side

While on vacation I was pushing my 3-year old granddaughter, Caylee, in a grocery cart and we came upon some very colorful sponges. I tested her to see how well she knew her colors, then we moved on down the aisle when she said, “Grandpa, do you know what my favorite color is?” I said no. “My favorite color is chocolate chip cookies.” Hey! That’s my favorite color too! ☺