



Woughter Family Update

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Psalm 117

“O Praise the Lord all ye nations: praise him, all ye people. For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Praise ye the Lord.”

Recently we made some new friends from Romania. This pastor and his wife grew up under the strong hand of communism. It was interesting to hear many stories about their lives under that system and the struggles they faced as Christians. It was exciting to hear what the Lord is doing through their ministry now as the chains of communism have been broken in Romania.

We have met many people from many different parts of the world and all of these people face many different situations, and yet the stories they share all have one thing in common. They are stories of the merciful kindness of God to individuals.

We pray that as you read this update, in whatever nation you are reading it, you will praise the Lord not only for his merciful kindness to us here in Nicaragua, but also for his merciful kindness to everyone throughout the world.

Home Ministry

In our last prayer letter we mentioned that we would be taking about a 5-6 month furlough. It will actually be about 7 months. We are planning to start our home ministry in mid August of 2011 and to stay until around mid March 2012.

During this time we will report to and visit our supporting churches. We will also try to present our ministry to several new churches in an effort to raise a little more support.

Please pray for a smooth transition as we try to work out housing, transportation, and scheduling issues in preparation for this time of home ministry.

If you, your church, or other church might be interested in a personal report about our ministry please let us know so that we can get it on the calendar!



Centro ABEM Blazing Hot

We praise God for the ABWE Ministry Center here in Nicaragua and the way in which God is using this center to be host to large numbers of events that impact in a great way the spiritual lives of many Nicaraguans, as well as other people from all over the world.

During the month of January, Centro ABEM was host to teen camps for the entire month. Hundreds of teenagers attended BBF and Word of Life camps and had not only a great time of fun, but were challenged greatly by God's Word. Many teenagers started a new walk with the Lord and others recommitted themselves to the Lord as a result of these great evangelistic camps!

February and March were blazing with activities as well and included camps for kids, retreats for churches, church planting classes, the hosting of several missions teams from outside of Nicaragua, and a large ladies retreat.

Because we have 160 acres, Centro ABEM is always at risk during the dry season of having large fires. Pictured above you can see a little bit of the result of a recent fire at our center which burned about 40 acres. We are thankful that nobody was hurt. We did suffer some minor losses which were about 1000 hay bales and most of our banana trees. We also thanked the fire and police departments for responding by giving them cash donations, and we are awaiting a list of damages to the neighboring property for which we will be responsible.

As you can see Centro ABEM is blazing in more ways than one and we appreciate you praying for us here as we work in this ministry.

A Look Back

4th-6th grade spiritual emphasis retreat

During the month of February, Cari had the opportunity to head up the 4th-6th graders spiritual retreat at Centro ABEM. There were around 60 kids and the theme was that of “Survivor...or more than a conqueror”. The kids survived for two days by building shelters, cooking over fires, killing chickens, cooking and eating them, building ladders, competing in games and more.

The spiritual theme was “more than a conqueror” and the idea was that in your Christian life you don’t just want to be only a survivor, but you want to be more than a conqueror.

The retreat was awesome with several students making professions of faith.



Cari in with survivor camp kids

Knoxville, TN Missions Conference

This past month we had the opportunity to take a quick break from ministry here in Nicaragua and spend time with West Park Baptist Church in Knoxville, TN. They flew us back to the States to be part of their wonderful mission’s conference. We really had a great time just getting to personally know many people that partner with us. They really spoiled us, we ate some really good food and it was refreshing and fun. Although we did get good rest and have a great time, it was also very valuable as we were able to share with our partners back home what God is doing in Nicaragua. We were very encouraged at this conference and it made us feel good to know that we have supporting churches that are serious about missions and serious when they say they care about us and pray for us. We have a great group of supporting churches and appreciate you all very much.



Richard and team members from Maranatha Christian Academy working in Altos de Motastepe Park where Bismark Ortega would like to put a church.

MCA Mission Team Helps Church Planter Break New Ground

Building relationships is a huge part of building churches and in the community of Altos de Motastepe where Bismark Ortega would like to plant a church there was some new ground broken. Working together with the leaders of this housing development Bismark arranged to have a team from Maranatha Christian Academy in Canada clear out an overgrown garbage and junk filled lot, preparing the way for a community park. The team not only donated 50 hands to the effort, but also money that will pay for slides, swings, etc. The community leaders were thrilled and Bismark now has a better standing in this community which will help him in his church planting efforts there. Please continue to pray for Bismarck and his family as well as this large community which is currently without a Bible preaching church.

AS ALWAYS WE THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR MANY THOUGHTS, PRAYERS AND SACRIFICIAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT!

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