

AMBASSADORS for JESUS CHRIST

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"Now then we are Ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us; We pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God."

II Corinthians 5:20

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Greetings from the "Land of Eternal Spring"! We pray this finds you enjoying beautiful spring weather. We sure are! We recently put a larger table on our covered patio. We are able to use it as an "outdoor office" now and eat most of our meals there. It is nice to enjoy the beautiful weather and hear the birds chirping while we're working.

The first of the year we received a call from the San Lucas Mayor's office. They wanted to start off the year with a half day seminar on character. We spent a beautiful February morning with the Mayor, City Council members and about 25 supervisors of various departments. The topic was "Culture"; What is the culture of the municipality, which employs over 350 people. The majestic setting overlooking the Guatemalan landscape of volcanoes made for a relaxing atmosphere. The seminar was followed by a delicious lunch on an open air patio that was accompanied by great conversation. It is a privilege to invest in the character and well-being of our hard working city leaders.



MATCHING FUNDS CHALLENGE

We are so excited! We are so close to having what we need to replace our 16 year old vehicle. Two generous donors have stepped forward to make up the shortfall. They have pledged a total of \$4300 between them in matching funds until April 30th. In other words, for every \$100 you give they will match your \$100 or if you donate \$500, they will donate another \$500 and so on. No gift is too small or large. Hopefully, you will be excited to meet this special love offering. Please help us maximize this opportunity and gracious matching pledge. We are looking for a crossover SUV that will be a multi-use vehicle. It is our hope to raise \$8600. We lack the additional \$4300. (plus the matching funds) to meet our goal. If you would like to help, you can make a tax-deductible donation online by going to:

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Simply indicate your donation is for the car fund. Checks can be mailed to the address on page 2.



It is always a privilege to attend such joyful events as the wedding of one of the "boys" (now age 29) who was a member of the Boy's Club we had years ago, Falcons of the Great King!

**20 YEAR ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION**

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The first months of this year have kept us very busy between hosting various activities and training new leadership in the Bible Studies. Here are a few pictures of recent events that include the Valentine's Day Party and two birthday parties for Art given by the respective groups. We did manage to get away for a few days to attend a missions conference at Lake Atitlán. It was very refreshing. We found time to hike and relax. We came back recharged.



Never too old for a patriotic piñata!



The Men's Group managed to totally surprise Art at his Tuesday night Bible Study.

Lisa shared a message on the book of Ruth at the Valentine's Day party.



The women and children surrounded Art to pray blessings over him.



20 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

God has blessed us with 20 years of full time ministry in Guatemala. To give God the glory, an event is being held to honor God, to honor the donors who have participated throughout the years and the people whose lives have been changed through this ministry. Since you can't be here personally, if you would like to celebrate with us, we are looking for event participants who will sponsor the meals served to those attending. They are \$5 per meal. You may choose to sponsor five people for \$25, ten people for \$50 or more. We are expecting around 100 people. Help us celebrate just as if you were here. Please indicate "Meals" on your donation. Thank you for celebrating with us!

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Checks should have a note attached with our name on it.