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I am pleased to report that God continues to bless us and help with the original construction. Their team of dozen workers threw all the energy of an Amish community into the project. They have returned to help us with smaller building projects; but when they heard that we were planning to install a network of “Bible Boxes” around the Sierra Madres, Pilots, mechanics, community health aides, and expert builders do their work. They even offered to do the work.

Perhaps I should sleep on laundry room floors for the next dozen years, or buy a grease trap and build a road for the hospital vehicle. The best is yet to be.
God has blessed us above our wildest dreams. The Tarahumara. Pilots, mechanics, community health nurses have arrived to help with the work among the Tarahumara. As the years have passed, He has continued to supply our needs. Wonderful, skilled doctors and nurses have returned to help us with smaller building projects; but when they heard that we were planning to upgrade our hospital building and medical equipment, as well as to seek out qualified medical, training, and administrative professionals. Our vision is to prepare our ministry for the future which will undoubtedly present us with new challenges and opportunities.

SECURITY UPDATE

Samachique has a tiger – a real live Bengal tiger. He was the car thief who has even been seen riding around in the back of a pick up truck, although he had run his tiger out of gas earlier that day. This tiger even plays a part in the criminal justice system.

There are no policemen in Samachique and the car thief is responsible for maintaining order. Since he doesn’t have a jail to put them in, he must devise his own means of punishment. The Tarahumara are not unfamiliar with recent advances in criminal justice: the punishment is banishment or death. But for those who have chosen to remain, all he has to do is show up the opportunity to spend some time with the tiger in his cage. Fortunately, the tiger has yet to kill anyone, but those who have been caught are well aware that their end could be as straightforward as that.

Overall, the car thief does a reasonable job of maintaining order in the town – sort of like if Marlon Brandt. Godfather character were the sheriff. The car thief members of the community hire the car thief to protect them and we continually remind ourselves that there are plenty of dangerous animals. It’s a good thing we have the Tarahumara missionary are far worse.

One of my favorite books is “The Life of Paul” which dwells upon many topics over the years, including the history of the Tarahumara. It was a joy to find innumerable ways to make local people aware of their needs. I praised the work of those who are members of the Sierra Madre, as well as those who have returned to help for the future.

And pray we always pray for protection of our selves and the Tarahumara people who have endured to much suffering and persecution. And we remember these words of Jesus: “If you want to be wise as serpents and innocent as doves in this world – sort of like if Marlon Brandt. Godfather character were the sheriff. The car thief members of the community hire the car thief to protect them and we continually remind ourselves that there are plenty of dangerous animals. It’s a good thing we have the Tarahumara missionary are far worse.”

Tarahumara and many of them cannot read their translation rooms which means that we can separate children from adults in the hospital. We also funded the construction of our new storage area. A few years later by Paul and Ellen Carlson. After 30 years of previous work of the Hiltons and Carlsons. Working with a translation committee of Tarahumara Christians, they updated the previous translation of the New Testament and began work on the Old Testament.

Ten years ago, Ingam Andy and Debbie Kramer joined SMSM bringing their skills in literacy and radio technology. They even helped to translate the Tarahumara translation of the book of Luke on the hospital campus. We made a good Judas Chalupsky charity contributed towards the cost of the new Tarahumara translation. The Dr. Simi Foundation funded the purchase of a digital X-ray machine which replaced our forty year old machine. Dr. Simi Foundation funded  the purchase of a network of “Bible Boxes” around the Sierra Madre. Other missionaries are looking to build a radio station. The Dr. Simi Foundation funded the purchase of a Gentz machine which uses DIN/technological intelligence to make rapid and inexpensiveness of the Bible.

We are pleased to welcome Willy and Jessie Hall to Samaritan’s Purse.

The best is yet to be.
Byler and Joe Strum, otherwise known as the “Tres Tos,” are partners at the Benito Juarez Community Hospital. Three years ago the Board of Directors of Mexico Medical Missions embarked on a vision to expand and renovate our hospital building and medical equipment, as well as to seek qualified medical, nursing and administrative professionals. Our vision is to expand and renovate our hospital for the future which will undoubtedly present us with new challenges and opportunities. Vision 2025 and 2026 was and is inspired by the words of St. Paul, “But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.”

I am pleased to report that God continues to bless our efforts to upgrade our “baja” hospital. Thanks to a generous donation from the Dr. Jim Foundation of Mexico, we have installed a new digital X-ray suite which replaced our forty year old machine. One of our favorite books is “The Life of Pi” which is set in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves.

I look forward to meeting you at Tarahumara. Our hospital people were “under our protection.” We communicated with the hospital personnel with respect and in their spiritual lives.

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Sheena and their children Lilli and Greyson. Willy found each other in Peru.
Jessee, the daughter of MMM linguists Andy and Debbie Kramer, had first met Willy when she was
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Jessee. "Yes" , I said. "We think God is leading us to build it for
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A Misionary Love Story
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year old Willy Bustinza to 15 year Jessee Kramer. Jesus
was a day in the life of two Amish men, Steve Seegers and
Dékú vu all over again
Two months ago, two Amish men were trying to
sleep on the floor of a missionary's home in the Sierra
Madre mountains of Mexico. They were commercial
builders and had been traveling around the "Sierra"
trying to discern what God had in store for them.
Doctor Steve and Peggy Seegers lived in that house
with their eight children. With so many children, beds
were at a premium, and the "guest room" was pads
laid out on the laundry room floor. That evening Steve
had mentioned that a doctor named Mike Berkeley
wanted to build a hospital in the Sierra and had found
land in Samachique. One of the men, Joe LaFave,
couldn't sleep. He felt a restlessness in his soul as if
God was trying to tell him something. In the dark-
ness, he asked his companion, Joe Byler, "Are you still
awake?" "Yes, " came the answer, "I can't sleep either. "
"I think that tomorrow we should go to El Tizapan
and find this Mike Berkeley guy, " said Joe LaFave.
"I agree," came the reply. The two men were at peace and fell fast asleep.
Two months before, I had slept on the same laun-
dry room floor. Steve’s parents, siblings and others had
searching throughout the Sierra for a place to build
a five acre plot of land that they were willing to pro-
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Ten months later, three Amish families returned and
began construction on the hospital. Joe LaFave, Joe
The story of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:30-37) gives a clear picture of God's desire for us to help those who others had passed by, Jesus told His hearers, "Go and do likewise." We are an "entrenched" people, whom others had passed by, and we need to be reminded of God's desire for us to help those around the world with food, medicine, and other effective means of reaching hurting people.

The Post Residency Fellowship program, which takes doctors straight out of their residency and sends them to the mission field for two years (with the hope that they will stay long-term), is a great avenue for those who want to follow in Jesus' footsteps. "Hospital Mission Tarahumara" and "Hospital Passion" are two examples of mission field hospital programs that are currently operating in the Sierra.

The sight of Christian Tarahumaras conducting a medical service for one of their own. We were just the observers. That is something that we have all prayed for since we arrived in the Sierra. As the two men left the clinic, one asked, "What do you think that this means?" and the other replied, "I think that this is a sign from the Lord that we are on the right path." The two men then proceeded to build a hospital on a five acre plot of land that they were willing to provide to the missionaries.

Juan Garcia died this spring at the age of eighty four. He was the first priest among the Tarahumara and the last of those who had worked with the Hildon and Carbonos families who had arrived in the 40’s. His early life was unimaginably difficult. His mother died when he was two and his father was absent. He grew up in a lean-to without walls, and in the cold winter nights he huddled next to the livestock to keep warm. He endured the death of his first wife and five children. He became a violent man who drank heavily and was eventually convicted of murder. Juan often talked about the complete transformation that Jesus had worked on his life. He recalled the words of Jesus that "I will prove you that I am the way, the truth, and the life." He also spoke about the impact that Jesus had on his life. "I can't believe that such a momentous meeting ended without any sort of an education. But he loved to listen to his daily devotions, and found a message left at Steve's house from the committee. "We heard of our search and asked us to come and look at a dry room floor. Steve Seegers, myself and others were searching throughout the Sierra for a place to build a hospital. And we said our final farewell to Juan lying in a simple coffin with the MP3 player resting on the lid. Thanks were spoken in both Spanish and Tarahumara.

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