



Waiting for the Lord

Isaiah 30:18 "Therefore the LORD waits to be gracious to you, and therefore he exalts himself to show mercy to you. For the LORD is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for him."

We're asked nearly every day if we've had any "nibbles" on our house. Surprisingly, we have had numerous nibbles. In fact our realtor recently shared with us that we've had 25 nibbles since we listed the house on June 6.

We've even become very adept at cleaning and preparing the house to show at a moments notice. Indeed, I believe at times that if it gets any cleaner, it may just disappear. At

the same time the waiting is at times almost unbearable.

We know that God desires for us to be in Mexico. Just look at our support (see note below). If ever there was an opportune time for God to close the door on our going to Mexico, surely he would have done so before now, before you had contributed such an incredible sum on our behalf.

We realize that in the scheme of things this is a light affliction; to be so close, and to remain so far away from where we are called to do His holy will. Yet we know that in this affliction God is tempering us for things to

come. And so we shall wait; we shall wait for the Lord and for His blessing.

Your Missionaries,
Michael & Tricia Lee

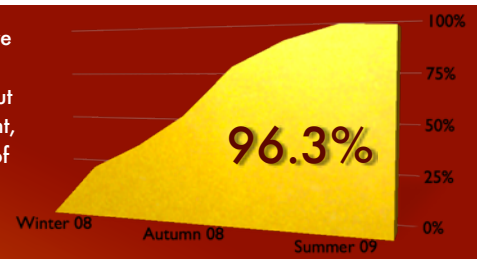
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Having fun at Ron & Mare Vaughn's in Homosassa, Florida

Current Level of Support

We've been asked many times if the current negative financial climate has made raising support more difficult. Our answer has amazed even us. At about the time that the markets were falling in October of '08, as you can see from the graph to the right, we were only at 54% of our needed support. You would think that raising almost another 50% of our support would in this environment be extremely difficult. In the midst of this extraordinary financial turmoil, we did in fact lose two partners. However, from the first of the year to June '09 we raised nearly 43% of our support. Our God indeed is an awesome God!



Prayer Requests

"And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
Philippians 4:19

1. The Sale of our House

On the market since June 6, we have had lots of lookers, but as of now, no buyers. Please pray that it will sell soon.

2. Michael and Tricia

Knowing that we are ready to leave for the field and cannot has been a difficult trial for us both. Please pray that in this interim period we will desire God's will for us more than anything.

3. Hannah, Amber, & Jacob

The delay in moving has been more stressful on our children than we imagined. Please pray that God will be gracious toward them during this interim phase.

4. Our Team

Pray for Susy Sundeen as she begins her Home Mission Assignment.
Pray for the Institute and for the 70 students enrolled in 3 classes.
Pray for Esau Reyes, church planter and pastor of La Casa de Dios as he prepares his church for particularization.

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Jacob playing guitar at a recent bonfire held at a friends house



Newsline

Monterrey Jack has surgery

Those of you who have traveled to Monterrey for a Vision Trip know Monterrey Jack is, the esteemed Al Couch. On his first trip to Monterrey, God gave to Al a tremendous love for the people of Monterrey. Because of this love, and since that time, Al has worked tirelessly on behalf of Team Northern Mexico. Please pray for his speedy recovery from his recent surgery.

New class offered at ITEM

A new class entitled, "The Centrality of the Gospel," began this fall at the Institute. MTW Northern Mexico Team Leader and professor at ITEM, Andres Garza, is teaching the class. The purpose of the class is to help the church planter become more aware of the modern meaning of the gospel, and thus, the practical application of it not only in their own lives, but also in the lives of believers. 44 students from seven churches are participating in the new class. All of these students are leaders in the churches in Monterrey.

Andres and Jorge visit Colombia

Our Team Leader, Andres Garza, along with Jorge Aleman, Academic Dean of the Institute traveled to Colombia in South America the week of November 1 to speak on the centrality of the gospel as well as to discuss Peacemaker ministries and the ministry of reconciliation.

Vision Trip Reminder

Just a friendly reminder that there is an upcoming Vision Trip scheduled for February 26 - March 1, 2010. These trips differ from the regular Impact Trips in that you get the opportunity to visit with a number of the different church planters and their churches in Monterrey over this whirlwind weekend. If you haven't already signed up and you are interested in attending, then please contact Al Couch at alcouch11@gmail.com.