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POINTS OF  
INTEREST:

- Donations are still needed for the people of San Salvador.
- God's people must wake from their slumber and heed His signs of His soon return.
- Prayer warriors and workers needed for meetings.
- Equipment needs.

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## MINISTRIES UPDATE!

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### God Blesses Mission Trip

As has been mentioned in previous newsletters, Pastor Kenny, his wife, along with Sister Sharna from Wyoming, participated with others throughout the U.S. and Spain, on a mission trip to the city of San Salvador in the Central American country of El Salvador during the month of March.

Many of these people who were baptized had walked for several miles down a very dusty and hot road to the water for baptism. Young, old, disabled—it didn't matter. The inconvenience of the journey didn't stop these persons from taking their stand for Jesus and starting a new life



with Him signified by their decision to be baptized. What a blessing to begin our mission work with! Much work had

We sincerely thank you for your prayers; and sincerely thank our Heavenly Father for faithfully answering the prayers of His saints for the blessing of these meetings—for truly His Spirit did bless!

Our very first Sabbath was spent at a lake created from the crater of a volcano. We had been invited there to witness, and experience, the results of months of evangelistic efforts of the San Salvadorians in proclaiming the Three-Angel's gospel message prior to our arrival. We were blessed to witness a mass baptism of over 1300 souls!



just been accomplished, and much work lay ahead to be done.

Night, after night, most people were bussed, or walked to our sight. A few were blessed with their own vehicles to drive. Jesus said in John 14:6, "I am the way, the truth, and the life..." He also said, "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32. As the messages; the truth; the love of Christ was presented before the people each evening, the Holy Spirit would touch the hearts and reach the minds in ways none of us were able to do on our own. We witnessed lives changed; hearts softened; and stands taken for Christ. Each opportunity of reaching out and touching lives for the cause of Christ, had its own miracles to behold. At the end of a special call for the Lord, as the Holy Spirit filled the room



and hearts and minds were turned Heavenward, two ladies asked for prayers of healing. One elderly lady we anointed with oil. She was scheduled to have surgery and had been ill for quiet some time. But, praise the Lord! after following what Christ has asked us to do in praying for the sick, this lady continued to come thereafter declaring her symptoms were gone! The other lady claimed to have received healing as well!—God is so good!

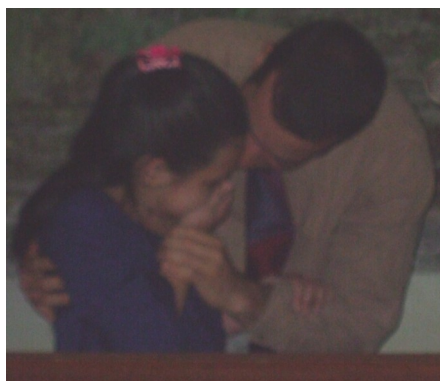
Outside of the physical healing, we were blessed to be a part of spiritual healing as well. Lives were made right with God; sins were overcome; hearts were broken and softened by the love of Christ. We had several baptisms in our meetings and understand that there were to have been more after our departure.



Sister Sharna lead out with the children. The messages she presented were the same messages being presented to the adults—just geared to a younger



audience. There were children who gave their lives to Jesus after sitting and listening to these beautiful truths Sister Sharna was sharing. We believe there would have been more young people take a stand for the Lord had the same children been able to attend each evening. Unfortunately, this was not always the case. Many children were unable to be consistent in their attendance making it difficult to build the truth deep into their little minds and hearts. Oh, but what a joy to witness the little ones who were able to be consistent and who did take a stand for their Saviour!



To complete our small sphere of the work at this particular site, Sister Chris presented the health message each evening with segments she entitled, "Health Nuggets." These Health Nuggets covered what many of us consider "the eight laws of health" which include teachings on the use of sunshine, pure air, proper nutrition/ Bible-based diet, etc. She also covered popular topics on the use of alcohol, building the immune system, and the various uses of charcoal.



We would like to take a few moments now to introduce you to some of the dear people we had the privilege to work with. First, meet Pastor Sergio and Elder Ben:



Pastor Sergio has a total of eight Churches he is caring for. He does this with the aide of other church members and elders such as Ben. Ben was also one of two translators used in the adult meetings. The other, Brother Hosea, is pictured below in the description of the health program. So many church members were such a tremendous blessing to work with and to work for. One reason we picture Pastor Sergio here, is because we want to make his work in San Salvador a continued mission for us here at BTLM from time to time.

This past month, we sent four different books of various quantities to him to aide in spreading the gospel in his region. These books were translated into Spanish; making them a tremendous asset to be used in his area. And as you know, books and now shipping costs, as everything else, are on the rise. Yet, we have faith to know that God can provide. He provides through people just as yourself.

It is our desire to do more for these people and to even aide the Pastor personally with funds to fix his car which is in need of repair. For example, while we were there the very first Sabbath on that dusty, hot road we told you about leading to the baptismal sight, we had no air conditioning (it is broke), very little gas (he would turn off the engine and coast when he could), and tires that were in very poor condition (just to name a few of the vehicles problems). On our way back to our hotel after the baptisms, one of the rear tires blew out for the last time.



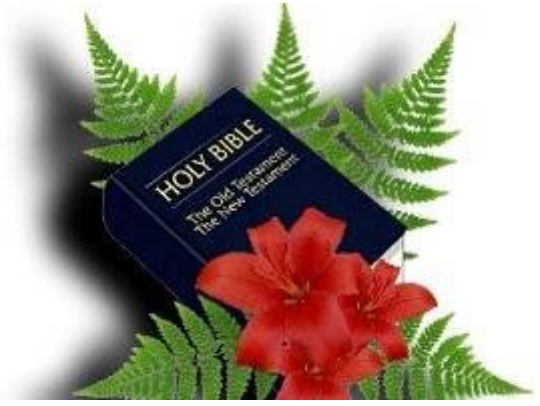
We offered to purchase him another tire after Sabbath. But upon observing how bad all the tires were, another dear saint in our group decided to purchase a whole set. Pastor Sergio was reluctant to accept them at first. It was later discovered that he had never been able to purchase new tires for any of his cars before.

He desperately needs his car in good working condition. He stays very busy with his churches on a daily basis. He told us that he goes to a different church every morning at 4 a.m. to pray with anyone in that church meeting at that time for prayer. He also needs a good vehicle to continue to pick up others who are without transportation. Therefore, we are asking YOU if you would be interested in helping us to help him. Please consider making a donation marked, "the San Salvador Mission." We will apply your money to the purchase of books/the repair of the pastor's car. Then as needs are made known in the future, we will do our part to let you know and see if we may work together again in meeting these needs—thanks for helping to make this possible.

In giving and working for others, those of us who ministered on this trip, were indeed ministered and blessed in return. Even in such things as noting the extreme difference in the living conditions of many of the San Salvadorian people. Seeing many of them living in make-shift homes of sticks and metal; traveling daily for water to be carried back to their homes; bathing in an outside faucet of sorts next to one of the churches because they had no where else to do so, reminded us deeply of the many conveniences the Lord has provided many of us in this country. Oh, sure, there are persons and living conditions there, for some, that would surpass many of ours. But this appeared to be for a select, and fortunate, few—not the norm. And to experience, night after night, the life changing presence of the Holy Spirit was certainly a taste of Heaven. These are experiences all Christians should taste in some part. They help to ground our hearts deeply in the truth—in the knowledge that all good things come from above. We are nothing, and can do nothing, without the blessings of our dear Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

The good news is, you don't have to travel outside this country to have experiences with our Lord. Just allow Him to use you right where you are. Daily ask, "Lord use me today to be a witness—a shining example of YOU for someone else today." And watch what takes place! Perhaps a phone call of someone in need; or maybe, an unexpected Bible study with His presence surrounding the meeting. God has a million ways He desires to use each and every one of us who are willing and ready to answer His calling. **WHAT WILL YOU BE WILLING TO DO FOR HIM TODAY?**

**I wonder what would happen if we  
treated our Bibles like we treat our  
cell phones?**



**—What if we carried it around in our purses or our pockets? —What if we flipped through it several times a day? —What if we turned back to go get it if we forgot it? —What if we used it to receive messages from the text? —What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it? —What if we gave it to our kids as gifts? —What if we used it in case of emergency? —What if we felt we couldn't drive, work, vacation; or simply put, travel anywhere without it?**

**Hmmm, something to think about; by the way, where is your Bible? Oh, and one more thing; unlike your cell phone, you don't have to worry about your Bible ever being disconnected, and you'll never have a dropped call. Why, you ask? It's simple, Christ has paid the bill in full!**

## ***SIGNS OF THE TIMES***

***“Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, ‘I am Christ;’ and shall deceive many. And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows.” Matthew 24:4-8.***

Ask just about anyone and they will agree with you that we are living in the last days. In fact, unlike 20 years ago when people would somewhat agree and then add, “I believe we are; but, you know, people have been saying this very same thing for hundreds of years now and the Lord hasn't come yet.” For the most part, this statement is no longer even thought of.

Our country, and in fact the world, has seen to various degrees Matthew 24:4-8 fulfilled. For several years now, a few T.V. news broadcasts have shown the current man claiming to be Jesus in his second coming now living in Florida. Think it too odd to believe? Thousands of his followers don't. In fact, he has accumulated millions of dollars to further his false teachings and blasphemy lifestyle from those who believe him to be Christ in the flesh! And how we could go on, and on, with the wars and rumors of war; and nation rising against nation—not cleaving one to another. And who would argue that the sealed book of Daniel has not been opened now for several years? Let's review Daniel 12:4 together shall we, “But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.” Do we now understand the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation as never before? Yes, of course. We now have history to set them in stone. And have we now the ability to “run to and fro”? to travel as never before? And need I say anything about “knowledge”? We have so much increased knowledge that our computers can not even keep up! Our nation in particular; this great nation as described in Bible prophecy as being “lamb-like;” a place where thousands have found freedom from religious and other forms of persecution for over 200 years. A land that has been a shelter in the mist of a tumult of worldly trouble; a land that God has richly blessed more than many of us will ever realize, has now began to “speak as a dragon.” As a nation, we have begun policing the world as it were. And we have turned a blind eye to the true and living God of Heaven as part of our public notoriety—it is no longer “politically correct” to base our full trust in God and, especially, have it printed on our money! And it goes, almost without saying, that this great nation is “exercising all the power of the first beast;” the beast power who in the Dark Ages of this world's history combined “Church and State” to legislate civil and religious laws over the people. Our forefathers warned of

this. They had not yet forgotten the atrocities of the past. When writing this nation's Constitution, they were ever mindful of the results of legislating morality as a nation does civilly.

This was the great cause of Christian persecution and torturous deaths of the Dark Ages. This is what gave the coliseums their jovial excitement as thousands cheered as they watched innocent men, women, and children torn alive by ravishing beasts. People who would rather die than sin against God by obeying the laws of man rather than the law of God. And where is our nation heading as we continue to blindly exercise this same power as the beast before us? Let us read in Revelation 12:11 & 12, that we have but alluded to thus far, "And I beheld another beast (power/nation) coming up out of the earth (an unpopulated place at the time); and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed." Rome was this first beast. Who hasn't heard of the magnificent Roman Coliseum ruins still standing as a memorial to the thousands who were put to death inside its walls? And has Rome ever received a deadly wound? Was there ever a time they had no worldly power? Absolutely. History bears fact that their controlling power came to an end in 1798. Was this wound healed? Did their power and worldly influence ever become restored? Once again, this answer is, yes. They were restored in 1929 by the Lateran Treaty under Mussolini. The Vatican once again became an independent power. But not until sometime in the early 80's did the United States recognize them as an independent state. And how we have changed since that recognition. Just this last week, our President did something that a President never does. He went to meet the Pope who is currently visiting our country at the time of this writing, out in the open at the Pope's plane; at the airport. The world would view this as being no big deal for the rest of us "ordinary" people. But it is a tremendous statement that was being made by the leader of our country.

"And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, and deceiveth them that dwell on the earth, by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live. And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed. And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: and that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name." Revelation 13-17.

We, our nation, is following down the paths of prophecy set before it. We are becoming a reflection of the beast power of old. There will be no turning back. This is part of the last, and great campaign to take place in the controversy between "Good" and "evil" before Christ's second coming.

One more issue I would like to bring to your attention before closing. I found this extremely disturbing having been a reader of the Spirit of Prophecy for many years now. Back on January 17 of this year, 2008, Britain's fertility regulator said it would now allow, and be lawful, for scientists to create human-animal hybrid embryos for research. They are now allowed to lawfully merge human cells with eggs from animals such as cattle or rabbits. The hybrids produced will be 99.9 percent human 0.1 percent animal. Without going into much more scientific jargon, currently this is to produce a large number of stem cells for researchers to work with. It is cloaked, as all other moral issues, under the guise of an easier way to produce something good for the majority of people—an easier way to eventually develop therapies for a wide range of devastating genetic diseases. President Bush has twice vetoed a bill that would have allowed federal funds for such stem cell research involving human embryo destruction. John Smeaton, the national director of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) said in this regard of creating sub-human "slaves" to be used as raw materials a, "disastrous setback for human dignity." He continues, "Of those embryos with a smaller proportion of human material, greater uncertainty arises...as to whether such a...human being (has) due rights." {News.yahoo.com/s/afp/2008117/hl afp/britainscienceembryos} Others supporting this research news are proclaiming they now can "swap a small proportion of bad genes for good ones." This is genetically modifying babies to, apparently, avoid passing unwanted genes which carry diseases.

When I ran across this information (of which is just a small amount of what is out there and being done), I was greatly disturbed. It brought back to mind quotes I had read years ago of which I would like to now share with you.

"But if there was one sin above another which called for the destruction of the race by the flood, it was the base crime of a amalgamation of man and beast which defaced the image of God, and caused confusion everywhere. God purposed to destroy by a flood that powerful, long-lived race that had corrupted their ways before him. He would not suffer them to live out the days of their natural life, which would be hundreds of years." {ISP 69.1} "Every species of animals which God had created was preserved in the ark. The confused species which God did not create, which were the result of amalgamation, were destroyed by the flood..." {ISP 78.2}

Can we really continue to wonder why God has to allow judgments/ plagues to fall on this world before the final end of Christ's return? We are no better than was the antediluvian (those who lived before the flood) world. And God allowed an untold number to be destroyed; perhaps, lost for eternity for their actions.

"The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23. The antediluvians had the same choice as do we—the choice of life gained through obedience; or death through transgression/sin. We may not be genetic scientists, presidents, or religious leaders of states; but, every moment of every day we are making decisions that will ultimately portray where we will spend eternity. The end of the story has been written out for us in the aging world. "Then shall (there) be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened...So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors...But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only. But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." Matthew 21, 22, 33, 36-39.

Some of what has been covered here may be new to some. It is our sincere prayer at BTLM that it will stir your heart to want to know more. To desire to live more closely connected to Christ than ever before. The "signs of the times" are all around us foretelling of His soon return. They are more numerous than I have room enough to write in this update. But, we are willing to share what we have been given if you desire to learn more. You may have a yearning in your heart; an alarm, as it were, flashing in your mind trying to alert you to the realization that this world is changing and that there must be more to life than what this world holds for us. Won't you call and let one of our staff pray for you. Call and request Bible studies be sent directly to your home. We have people who would love to correspond in a Bible course directly from us to the privacy of your own home. We are not promised tomorrow. The Bible teaches that, "Today is the day of salvation." II Corinthians 6:2. Don't take the chance that tomorrow will be the day you begin to make things right with God. Procrastinators often find that tomorrow never comes. So write, or call, us today—we are here to serve and to help you find the answers you have been looking for.

May our Precious Saviour continue to lead, guide, and direct in your paths of life,

Pastor Kenny, Sister Chris, and your BTLM family.

**1-800-2-ICAM**

We are still scheduling speaking dates for 2008. Is your Church ready to reach out and hold a three-week series of evangelistic meetings? If so, give us a call! We desire to be involved.

Currently, in the Southern Illinois area, the Lord has been heavy on our hearts to do more outreach as well. Until recently, our minds were geared toward evening meetings—this is generally the norm. However, several have expressed the desire for Bible studies; several who would be unable to attend at night. Therefore, the Lord is impressing us to hold a series in the morning. We are excited over this notion. It's a bit different, but we need to meet people where they are.

Our plan is to personally visit and invite others to come as well. So join us in praying for God's Spirit to touch the hearts and minds of those whom we plan to visit in the next few weeks—to strongly encourage them to faithfully commit to coming and "taste" and "see" that what the Lord has for them is good!

We still have dates to fill for other types of meetings as well—we look forward to hearing from you soon. We will pray for you, as well, as you plan meetings to be held in your area.

# Prayer Requests

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- Brother Jacob, from Illinois requests prayer for high blood-pressure control.
- Unspoken prayer requests for the Sanford family.
- Gloria, from New Mexico, requests prayer for herself and family.
- From south Florida, pray for Eileen's salvation.
- Unspoken prayer request for Sister Donna, Illinois.
- Joyce, from Maryland, requests prayer for her health.
- Ella, from White Plains, New York, is requesting prayer for herself and her church.
- Please pray for the Huntsman family. In March Sister Marietta suffered a severe stroke and soon after passed away. She and her husband, Franklin, had been married for what would be a lifetime to most. Cards may be sent to: 634 Mount Carmel Dr., Windber, PA, 15963-3702; in care of Franklin or their son, Steven. *We will dearly miss Marietta.*
- Sandy, from Illinois. She is in need of so much. She has been suffering with diabetes and blindness. She currently has lost all her income; but is in the process of getting aid from the state. She also is in need of a home. Please pray these needs will be met soon.
- Avis, from Cloverdale, California, requests prayer for herself (85 years young), her husband (93 years) and their two daughters, Karen and Vicki.
- Prayer for the new members in San Salvador, El Salvador. Over 1300 were baptized as our mission trip begun. We've been told that over 700 more were baptized after our groups from the US and Spain ended their labors.
- Continue to pray for BTLM and our up-coming evangelistic meetings.

## Needed Items

BTLM could use a new projector and powered

screen for their Sanctuary. We are hoping to be able to purchase and install these before our evangelistic meetings. We could also use a new lapel mic. And the most costly item we've been researching, is a large business color copier and printer. We've found some that would aid in reducing our publication costs through an Adventist in Tennessee, but the initial investment is steep. If you would be interested in helping to supply any of these needs, we would be so blessed to hear from you. God bless and thank you!

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Hey, we want to hear from you! Don't forget to order extra DVD's to share with friends and family as gifts. We still have a few 10-Commandment shirts in stock—call and see if your size is available.

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Address: P.O. Box 2030, Herrin, IL, 62948. We look forward to hearing from you soon. May God continue to richly bless each and every one of you is our prayer. And don't forget, Mother's Day is just around the corner—we thank God for our Mothers.

***“Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord! Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and forevermore! From the rising of the sun to its going down the Lord's name is to be praised.” Psalms 113:1-3.***