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# THE GLOBAL CONNECTION

## <u>Global Networks Looses Another</u> Giant

We have lost another of the original members of the Global Networks Franklin Meserve was board. tragically killed in an automobile accident in Owensboro, Kentucky, recently. He and his wife have been great supporters of Global. Franklin was a member of the team that went to Taiwan following a tremendous earthquake a few years back, in support of Global Networks Critical Incident Response, to supply potable water to victims. He was on the team led by Cameron Byler, another of our original members who has now gone on to Glory.

Franklin was always available to meet needs wherever and whenever possible. He will be greatly missed by all those who had the honor of knowing this great Christian gentleman.

Franklin also served several years on the Steering Committee of the Ky. Brotherhood, under direction of Dr. Robert Simpkins and Rev. John Lott. In this position, he worked with men and boys across Kentucky and was in support of all eight regions as needed. Franklin also worked in support of East Kentucky Mission efforts through the years.

In his honor, we are establishing the Franklin Meserve Chair for children's work, focusing on the work in Honduras. Franklin greatly desired to go on mission to Honduras. However, his health would not allow his travel in the last few years to such a location. Because of his great desire and financial support to this work, we feel this chair is a great honor. Our prayers and great appreciation for his service go out to Franklin's family. He will be greatly missed.



## <u>Another Dynamic</u> <u>Summer 2011 Mission</u> Experience in Honduras

We are never prepared for the greatness of God. His operations are way beyond our comprehension. My how wonderfully He worked again this summer with the total team of 19 people! If you have not had the opportunity of being on one of the Global Mission Teams to Honduras, you are missing a tremendous blessing of God.

The Community Church in Clarksville, Tennessee, filled most of the team slots. The church has assisted the youth department in collecting and providing funds for many who otherwise could not have made the trip. Several other churches were also involved in this mission. Some part of the team was on site in Honduras from July 11, until August 3. The schedule was already full, however, upon arrival of the advance team. schedules were changed. Every time we met with one of the appointments, we seem to have incurred three more. It became necessary to prioritize places of ministry.

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# Where do you fit into the Global Network?

Global Networks has a tremendous track record for mission involvement. All three divisions have been actively reaching souls for Jesus Christ. Where do you fit into this wonderful opportunity? After prayer choose vour support project::: -Begin your support of the Franklin Meserve Chair for Children's Work in Honduras. -Help support volunteers who go on mission -Support the Day Care operation -Support the new orphanage project -Give to the Christmas fund for Children -Assist with a church building Project (over 30 Projects underway)

Plan a Mission Experience with Global Networks: Transportation, Travel, and all expenses for a Wonderful Honduran <u>Mission Trip</u> all for only \$1,700.

A Great Big Thanks to the tremendous team of prayer warriors including: *Praying Koreans* – Every morning from 6:00 AM until 12:00, they lift up the ministry of our teams.

*Community Church,* friends and relatives.

The Networks working with Luis Sardina

#### Dynamic Summer (Cont.) You will remember from previous newsletters, that we blessed have were to Michelle and Riley Gomez with us in Clarksville, Tn., this past year for school. They were such a blessing to the Community Church and all those they worked with, including those who spoke Spanish in the worship You services. will remember that we met them in the Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant last year. This place has now been labeled the KF (Holy) Chicken restaurant. There were over 10 persons saved in the restaurant during our stay in San Pedro Sula, including some of the restaurant workers.

Macario and Paty Gomez, (parents of Michelle and Riley), have now agreed to serve as new members of the Global Honduran Board. I cannot tell you how important they were to the success of this years work.

Prior to our arrival, they had made several contacts that became such a tremendous blessing to the overall success of the trip.

The first meeting was scheduled at the KFC, and set the stage for much of the weeks work to follow.

We met with the assistant to the mayor of San Pedro Sula the first night upon arrival. This man, Juan Carlos, is a tremendous Christian. We prayed together in the KFC and he preached for two hours.

Rise and shine... at 6:00, the next morning we were in the Mayor's office for a special meeting. He graciously received us and expressed that his staff would be available to assist us. On the right, meeting with the Mayor of San Pedro Sula, Dr Juan Carlos Zuniga. He is expected to be a leading candidate for the next president of Honduras. He gave the keys to the city to Global Networks.



In this meeting the mission and history of Global Networks was presented after which the mayor allowed our director to pray for him and his work. Included in the meeting were several of his City Government Leaders. He expressed desire to know more of our mission. Dr. Juan Carlos Murillo, would be the Government Liaison

Resulting from this meeting: Juan Carlos will also serve on Global Honduras Board, two professional soccer stadiums with sound systems and staging for crusades were made available and the powers to be are looking for a site for Global Honduras headquarters.

# All the above before the Summer Team had even arrived.



July 13, late in the day the team arrived, now totaling 19. Early on the 14<sup>th</sup>, the ministry team headed off to three of the churches under the leadership of Gerizim Church in San Pedro Sula. The typical ministry for this team included: puppets, soccer evangelism, clowning and ice cream all around.

The ministry team went into the mountains to Ocotal in Yoro, followed by Morazon and in the evening they were at Primavera in La Progresso. Our teams are the only teams that normally go into these areas. We always have a great reception and response.



On the left, Gary McGillvary, director of Jail/Prison Ministry Mary, Tunitto and Sue in picture on right



This year, due to the many extra meetings and ministry opportunities we found it necessary to divide the teams on occasion. The first day out was such a time. While the teams ministered in Atema, others met with the mayor's wife followed by an opportunity to speak to hardened criminals at the drug and alcohol rehabilitation center. Gary McGillvary preached followed be a moving time of prayer with the inmates. Tunitto, Sue and Mary gave arousing testimonies that greatly touched the inmates.



God moves mountains and the hearts of hardened men become as babes in Christ Jesus.





The following morning the youth focus team including all who could fit into the vans, headed into another set of mountains even further than yesterday. The church visited is one of the churches of the New Life Ministries. This town, **Atema**, four hours out from San Pedro, also receives very little attention, so the team had great results once again.





Pastor Bob was again asked to speak at the Anniversary Celebration of Gerizim Church in San Pedro Sula. Each night God richly blessed with the Holy Spirit's presence and many decisions were registered to His Glory. One young man was saved who had previously held a spirit of suicide. A woman who had issue of blood for 14 years was also healed. The team returned from Atema to be a great part of this service in which we saw several of our team receive healing. Gary McGillvary, crippled after motorcycle accidents since the late 80's came with cane and pain pills. After he was healed he gave away his cane and tossed his pain pills. We watched the next days as all the color returned to his previously black leg.







Above, Charlie Winchester preaches with Michelle Gomez interpreting. Charlie preached in **San Gorge, Cofradia, Campo Alegra and Camelote**. Every service was blessed with many decisions.

Charlie is director of Evangelistic efforts for Global Networks. He will be increasing his time in country over the next few years. Pray for his ministry. God blessed our teams with three great interpreters. Michelle and Gustavo translated for most of the preaching while Luis assisted at special points where specific language was necessary to make the point. It was beautiful to watch God at work through the three.

Below, Gustavo Cerrato preaches without the need of an interpreter. All of us who speak only English saw the benefits of having the language. He preached in **Cofradia, La Flecha and San Marcus.** 





Above, Bill Steinke preaches with Gustavo Cerrato interpreting. Bill preached in the New Gerizim Church, Pastor Fermin's church in SPS and at the 24<sup>th</sup> of April Church. God blessed again and again on invitation Bill and his wife Patty will be directing the entire Focus on Children for Global Networks. This will include Orphanages, Special Needs projects and the Honduras Christmas effort.



Much of the success of this year's mission is due to the hard work of Harold Hensley, (now director of Team Recruitment). The photo (at right) is an example of how he would simply pick up the situation (the guitar) and have something that greatly blessed God. In this picture, the children had not been made aware of the time of the ministry team's arrival, so they missed the time in Aqua Blanca this year. However we were able to have a short worship with the old pastor. He is a blessing.



Above – Mission Team leading children in worship





Camelote was the site of over 400 children last year, so we were well prepared. When we arrived many of the children were already there waiting. This year we served over 600 children as well as many adults. They really respond to the puppet show. as well as other presentations. Once again the children responded heavily to be saved. When it comes time to sing, they can really do the job.



Above – a meeting with Nahum Orlando Aguilar, our contact with IHNFA (the office for children's work in Honduras). Nahum is crucial as the governing body for children's work covers vast areas of responsibility. Global Networks has been asked to become the first adoption agency in Honduras. We are thankful for the direction Luis Sardina has given to Prayer and Discernment, as well as assisting with translation. He is an extremely valuable part of the team.



Above, Pastor and Mrs. Dionicio Cullen conferring with Luis



New Life Ministries has come under the church covering of Global Networks. Under this partnership we work to assist each other in development issues throughout their churches and neighborhoods. This relationship is assisted by Missionary James Young, a resident missionary from Texas, also under the covering of Global Networks.

The closing days of my mission this year was a different experience. Ken Cummins, of WNKJ Radio in Hopkinsville, Kentucky and I were together, first in Chouleteca. He was there with two other missionaries, teaching Baptist pastors of the local association. My assignment was to deal with mission concepts for the local church.

Following the meeting we drove together completely across Honduras to La Ceiba. Ken served the International Mission Board of Southern Baptists for ten years at this location. It was a rewarding experience to be part of his reunion and to be challenged to work with this association of churches in the extended portion of the Northern Boundary of Honduras.

God's timing is always a wonder to us. We seem to think we have things all figured out and suddenly God's time moves in and everything changes. Interestingly enough, it is always for the better.

On the recent mission trip, God once again, raised most of the points of ministry that we originally believed we were to undertake.

- Global Networks is now working toward becoming the first adoption agency of Honduras. This is at the request of Government officials.
- We have been watching and waiting upon God to act so we can join His activity and direction. We have been awarded the Day Care facility in Cofradia and given the privilege of having babies from the orphanage as part of the work there.
- In the midst of all this, our main contact has been given a change in assignment. We are uncertain what this will mean to our work. However, we are prepared to obtain land upon which to build a facility dedicated to orphanage work.
- It will be necessary that we house the adoption agency at a different location due to the law of Honduras.
- The farming projects have once again been brought up in relation to work with the children and their great needs.
- Some of the original funding projects are also on the front burner with the help of Gary McGillvary

God is so good and we have such great responsibility. We have seen people with money making tragic decisions against the will of the Father. God has risen up to say, "I own the cattle of a thousand hills and I will meet every need. You go and do!!!



Above – Sue works with street Kids to share Christ Jesus



One of the new churches under the church in Laflecha



Juan Carlos gives free access to the soccer stadium for Services



Team ministering to abused young women in SPS



# Pastor Bob's Corner

Matt 28:19,20 "Go therefore and <u>make</u> <u>disciples</u> of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <u>teaching</u> them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

In the Great Commission shown above, Jesus issued a command to all believers, to go into the entire world and make disciples, etc, etc.

Many hear this as only a call to evangelism. From Jesus' words, we see great concern that we reach the multitudes with the complete message of the Gospel. Included in this would be discipleship. To often our Evangelistic thrust falls short with a simple, "say you do" approach. We must certainly share more than a line on which to write one's name.

I was recently refreshed when asked by the Baptist churches of La Ceiba, to come and teach in the principles of follow-up. This is one of the greatest under-developed areas in our over-all evangelization process. Without follow-up we have no way of moving the new believer in the direction of discipleship. Many of our churches would do well to place more emphasis on the development of believers following their conversion to incorporate them into the fellowship. Retention rather than loss in membership may just be the result.

May I challenge you to become more involved in the total evangelization of our world by making disciples as you go about your daily ministries and mission activities.