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## Personal Prayer Request

Things have seemed busier than usual lately with the end of our son's school year and Sean being home all day, so this is getting to you a little late. Debbie just got home from the hospital, her third stay since March, due to very high blood pressure and a racing heart. After an ultrasound of her heart, an MRI, a couple CT scans, a heart catheterization, and endless blood tests, they still don't know the cause. Most of the time she feels pretty well, but then she has another one of these episodes. Please be in prayer for her (and us) as she goes through this search for what started it.

## Out West

My visit to Frontier School of the Bible, where I got to speak to the student body during their chapel time, went very well. After explaining the ministry of CrossWay International, I challenged them to remain faithful in sharing the gospel and serving the Lord their entire lives. They listened very intently, and some of them told me afterward how grateful they were – that it made a difference for them. Located on the prairies of LaGrange, Wyoming, the students of this sound bible college are blessed with solid Bible teaching from its dedicated faculty. It was a lot of fun sitting in on a couple of classes and getting to make new friends.



Wide Open Spaces Way Out West!



Speaking in the chapel service

## Lives of faithfulness – never giving up!

It was also great catching up with Dick & Kathy Seymour, two godly servants and friends whom I hadn't seen for over 30 years. When I was at Florida Bible College, Dick was one of my teachers who taught to make the gospel clear and challenged me to remain faithful for the rest of my life! Now teaching at FSB, he is continuing to prepare students for lives of Christ centered service (he recently turned 81).



Dick and Kathy Seymour



With the Seymours and students in the cafeteria



Reviewing for final exams in class

## Training Nicaraguan Police Officers this August

CrossWay's resident missionary and Field Director in Nicaragua is Francisco Caldera. He has been so faithful in opening doors of ministry for our trips to his country, and has helped arrange countless opportunities for CrossWay outreaches, such as pastors' seminars, evangelism trainings, meetings with community leaders to supply local needs (like the water wells we drill), and each of the trainings I have conducted (counseling/personal relationship seminars, couples' conferences, and church leadership training). This year he has helped our CEO, Dean Chollar, get into jails and prisons to speak to prisoners - with miraculous responses to the gospel!



Francisco Caldera

In one prison where Dean was sharing he was met with quite a reaction, and all the guards came running to find out why the prisoners were raising such a ruckus (afraid they had a riot on their hands)! They found they were all cheering and applauding Dean's message of "freedom" through Christ, and 35 of the 180 ended up putting their trust in Christ's payment for their sins as their only hope for Heaven. Naturally, the prison officials are also hearing the gospel, and a police inspector and police commissioner have put their faith in Christ this year as a result, Praise the Lord! Both of them are now working with Francisco and Dean to open more doors for CrossWay.

One of these open doors is the Training Seminar we will be holding in August. My daughter's father-in-law, George Peach, is a highway patrolman here in Pennsylvania, and he will be our trainer this trip, teaching principles of police work from a Christian perspective, as well as sharing his Christian testimony with the 10 Nicaraguan officers enrolled. I'm anxious to minister together with this good Christian man, the godly father of my youngest daughter's husband.

### Faithful to the end?

As in my challenge to the FSB students, have you determined to remain faithful in serving the Lord all the rest of your days? I don't mean have you promised to be God's stellar example of yieldedness - we'd all break that promise! But, despite your failings along the way, have you "set your face like a flint" to not turn away from the Lord when He lets you know, "This is the direction I want you to go," or "Here's someone I want you to explain the gospel to," or "Stop trying so hard to make your own plans, and start listening to me a little more closely!"

Just this morning a dear friend told Debbie and me how, after 38 years of praying for her estranged son, he broke free from the ungodly influences of other family members that had him bound in lies, trusted in Christ as his Savior, and asked her to forgive him for all the pain he had caused her! She is one of the most genuine Christians we've ever known, has suffered greatly in her life, and yet has remained faithful to following the Lord's direction as best she can. Though God doesn't go ahead of us, cleaning up the messes others make of the world around us to shield us from being burdened, He does offer us help as we encounter those messes. The apostle, Paul, said in Philippians 4:6-9,

*"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. If you do this, you will experience God's peace, which is far more wonderful than the human mind can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus....Fix your thoughts on what is true and honorable and right...things that are pure and lovely and admirable...that are excellent and worthy of praise. Keep putting into practice all you learned from me and saw me doing, and the Lord of peace will be with you."* (New Living Translation) In other words, **Stay Faithful (and never give up)!**

God Bless you all!

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