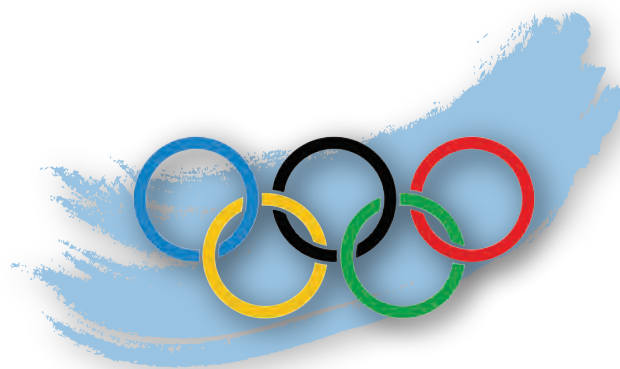


April 2014



Dear Prayer Partners /Team CrossWay Members,

Another year is well under way, and we trust it has started on a good note for you. When I look back on the year 2013 and even farther back, I'm always amazed and thankful to you for all the prayers and support you have given CrossWay International, and personally to Joan and me. March 2014 marked CrossWay International's 17th anniversary, and can you believe it, Joan and I have been married 40 years! Where does the time go?

Our 4 children have all left home and all have productive lives of their own. They have given us 13 wonderful grandchildren that we don't see often enough. And as Joan and I enter the late fall of our lives, we deal with the challenges of getting a bit older. Fortunately, as we get older and as CrossWay International grows, our team members are taking on more of an active role. This will hopefully allow me to slow down some. I'm scheduled to travel as much this year as I did last year, but I just don't work as hard at some of the arduous tasks.

While I have been on 4 foreign trips this year, (Kenya, twice to Nicaragua, and to Liberia) the rest of the team has also been busy. I've discovered that mission work is a lot like a team sport, like bicycling in the Olympics. If you ever watch that kind of team sport, you see how they draft off each other to reduce the load and share the lead position.

For example, in January:

Gary Jones, our International Training Director, was in Liberia teaching between 600 to 800 pastors and Christian leaders. Isaac Zoedah, our Field Director for this country, continues to line up opportunities for us to train Christian leaders and to oversee our new school and the other ongoing ministries in his country. And while Gary was in Liberia, I was in Kenya this month. And it was good to see Ken Gatithi, our Field Director in this country, growing like a weed spiritually, and doing most of the evangelism even before I came to visit various communities where we are providing water. We had around 400 decisions for Christ between the various visits by Ken and me.

In February:

Merle Admire, our Regional Director, was able to take off time from his work as a Master Electrician to visit Kenya. Also on this trip was Gary Jones, who conducted a Pastors Conference, and one of our supporting pastors, Dave Smith, from Northwest Community Church in San Antonio. Meanwhile, I made 2 separate trips this month to Nicaragua to handle issues regarding the construction of our new Training Center, which will serve us in many ways. I was also able, with the help of Francisco Caldera, our Field Director for this country, to teach an abbreviated Pastors Conference where 2 Pastors made the decision to trust in Christ alone for their salvation. We are also busy in Nicaragua with drilling a new well at Rivas Tolle and lining up one for Diriamba.

In March:

Next, I was off to Liberia for a Pastors Conference with our International Training Specialist, Bruce McIntosh. We had along with us Mike Barlotta, a teaching elder from Chantilly Bible Church. They did the lion's share of the teaching and this allowed me to catch my breath and stay on top of issues through email. Isaac Zoedah lined all of this up. He and I also visited another school where 32 children understood for the first time that salvation was a free gift, and on that day, put their trust in Christ alone for eternal life. Shortly after this trip, I was off again for a visit to Clearwater, Kansas, to be a speaker at their Missions Emphasis Weekend.

Now in April:

Our team is going through some stretching times as we plan for a team to go to Nicaragua on April 15. Robert Messier, our American Director for Nicaragua, is recovering from back surgery. He also serves part-time as our General Manager, so we are scrambling around to fill this vacuum. And his wife, Ann, also cancelled her planned trip to Nicaragua, to care for him. She was planning a Women's Conference but fortunately, we have Mimi Eppler, a graduate from Florida Bible College, who will handle that part of it. Jim and Sue Keller, from Chantilly Bible Church, will be teaching their Couples Conference, and Kat Petkoff, one of our favorite children's workers, will be there to spearhead this ministry. I will be along on this trip, but Allen Mann, our newest and youngest missionary, is taking the lead on all arrangements and coordination for our team. Allen has been very busy the past 3 months visiting churches in Arizona with his family while he is raising his support team, and teaching the Make It Clear! Seminar in a number of churches.

I wish I had Gold Medals for each of my teammates, who pull the load so much of the time. They allow me to continue to oversee the contest before us, as we Fight the Good Fight, Finish the Race and Keep the Faith (2 Timothy 4:7).

And it's because of your teamwork of prayers and support that we are able to get out on the field! You deserve a gold medal, too!

Thanks so very much,

Dean Chollar

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