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In A Nutshell

- Our telephone number has changed to 619-270-9627. This number rings into our home in Mexico, but is not an international call from the USA.
- We like e-mail! It's still the best way to reach us: jim@hisministries.org and linda@hisministries.org.
- To sign up for our e-mail prayer letter, send an e-mail to news@hisministries.org.



Ron Hager hard at work on the new driveway.

Spring Break

Calvary Crossroad, Grant Pass, OR has done it again! They were a huge blessing to us at Easter. The first huge blessing, and we mean huge, was when we saw Ron Hager and his family driving down the main dirt road of Cerro Azul pulling a 25 foot long and 15 foot tall trailer. It was monstrous. You know that God's hand is in it when something this big is allowed to cross the border. On the trailer were two playground sets for the daycare. A huge one, (32' x 28') for the big kids which was installed at the back of the daycare, and a medium one (14' x 21') for the little guys installed out front. Dave Omley and his group dug over 60 holes 30" deep to anchor down both playground sets. No small feat. They had to dig through rock most of the time.

While he was here, Ron poured 12' x 30' of cement to make a new driveway into the daycare. It looks fabulous. Apart from the two playgrounds and the cement driveway, the group also built an addition on to a house for a family in Tecate and replaced some exterior siding on a wall at the Center that had rotted away. They also built a much needed retaining wall and installed over 200 feet of French drain behind the retaining wall they built last year.

As if that wasn't enough, they also laid tile and carpet in our upstairs apartment, and put wainscoting in the crib room and the office. They had 2 VBS's a day and one day had a huge fiesta with more than 400 kids showing up. They cooked hot dogs, played games, and gave out prizes. All this and they kept an amazing attitude through all the trials that went along with all their ministry.



Kids on the new playground.

Spring Break 2.0

A big thanks to Mark Tuvell and Desert Springs Church for coming down and building additions on to two houses for needy families. Both these families are living in houses built by other groups, but have outgrown them. They now have an extra 16 x 10 foot room in which to spread out. We think both the families are using the new space as extra bedrooms.

President's Day

If you missed out on our President's Day open house, you sure missed out on a lot of fun! We had about 60 people arrive (mostly from our church), despite the rain and the copious amounts of mud. We weren't able to do all we had planned, but this is Flexico after all! Everyone got in some serious play time with the kids and had a good time fellowshiping over a great lunch. Thanks to everyone who came down (some as far away as Fontana and Palm Springs).

We also want to send a BIG thanks to our home church, Journey Community Church for all their help and support. There are so many people there that help in so many ways that's it's hard to list or single them out. Pastor Mike has been behind us 100% since we founded H.I.S. Ministries in 1994 and we value his leadership and guidance.

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Help Arrives

Candace arrived a while back ready to help out any way she can. Boy, did she get more than she expected! Right away, we threw her into the deep end, helping out with the toddlers.

Candace's dad, Mike, is a driver for MCCA, the group that donates food to the ministry once a month. We were talking a couple of months ago about the possibility of her helping out for four months or so, and the next thing we new Candace was here! She is staying on site in the house we have available for helpers. Mike donated some much



An addition gets framed.

needed items (water heater, etc.) to make the place liveable. Candace brought down everything she needed and has a very cute place in which to stay. She's been a huge help so far and has even begun teaching a couple of our workers some English.

A Message From Molly

Molly was unable to get anything written for this newsletter, but we wanted to keep you informed about her anyway. Molly is doing well. She is still working part-time at Starbucks (for over 3 years, now). She has also just started a new job at an indoor playground for kids in El Cajon. The place is run

by a Christian lady. She is working the front desk and doing some bookings, etc. Seems like a good job. She'll get about 30 hours a week.

She and Jon are still dating.

Praise & Prayer

We're out of room, but want to send a special thanks to everyone who supports this ministry! We will be attending a mission conference on May 5th. Please pray we'll have a safe and fruitful trip.



The Leisch family enjoys lunch with the day care kids.