

Honduras Agape Foundation Board Meeting

January 6, 2010

South Aiken Presbyterian Church Library

Attendance: Bill Bengtson, Allen Blancett, June Blohm, Ken Blohm, George Dewhirst, Karen Livingston, Alan Moses, George Sewell, Randy Shelley, Jerry Taylor, Tommy Thompson, Sam Turnipseed

Excused: Roxanne Turnipseed

1. **Meeting opened at 7:00 pm with a devotional from Romans 12:3-13 and prayer provided by Jerry.**
2. **Meeting agenda was reviewed and approved as written.**
3. **Consent agenda was approved as written.** (See Attachments #1 and #2)

4. **Committee Reports and Updates**

a. **Executive** (See Attachment #3)

Allen briefly reported on the visit he and Ken had with Olin McBride from First Presbyterian Church of Starkville, MS on Dec. 29 and then distributed to each Board member written information compiled from follow-up conversations from Olin and Anne Buffington regarding proposed collaboration between HAF and the church in Starkville. The mission committee from FPC Starkville plans to discuss the issues during their upcoming mission committee meeting on Jan. 11, so Board members were asked to carefully review the information and submit thoughts, concerns, and questions to either June or Allen by the weekend so they can be communicated to Starkville prior to their meeting. Although several Board members discussed some of the key issues raised, no final decisions were made regarding the path forward. In order to facilitate ongoing dialogue between HAF and FPC Starkville, the Board agreed to have Anne Buffington serve as the primary point of contact for FPC-Starkville and June serve as the liaison and primary contact spokesman. for HAF. The Board agreed that feedback from these dialogues will be communicated to the rest of Board and no decisions will be made without the consent of the Board.

b. **Agape Promises** (See Attachment #4)

--June reported that Maynor recently learned that the schools are not planning to open early as originally proposed, but will open in February, as usual.

--One new student from the Tejeres community was recently added to the AP program, and George Dewhirst agreed to sponsor that child.

c. **Construction** (See Attachment #5)

George Dewhirst has handed over committee files to George Sewell, the newly appointed committee chair. They will meet on Jan. 7 to continue the handoff of responsibilities. As newly elected chair of the committee, George Sewell asked the Board to approve two new members and one current member to serve on this committee.

Jerry Taylor expressed interest in continuing to serve as a member of the committee, which was greatly appreciated and accepted by George S.

MOTION: Approve the following persons to serve as members of the Construction Committee: Ron Livingston, Jim Kelley, and Bruce Eberhard.—Motion passed.

d. **Medical/Health** (See Attachment #6)

--June reported that Dr. Elsa is expecting a baby girl and is due in April. During the January trip, the Blohms plan to discuss Dr. Elsa's maternity leave plans and hopefully identify someone who can fill-in for Dr. Elsa on the medical brigades during her leave.

--Extreme gratitude was expressed to Richard and Zoom Heaton of TLC Medical, Inc. in Aiken for their generous donation of an annual supply of the top medications used as part of our medical brigade outreach. Board members were encouraged to visit TLC to personally thank them for their contribution toward our ministry.

--Gratitude was also expressed for the staff of Dr. Randy Shelley's office for their financial donation to support a dental hygiene education program in three communities.

--June reported that the January mission team is scheduled to attend the hygiene chat and community health worker training in Las Montanita being conducted by Dr. Elsa.

--Karen reported that a donation of toothbrushes from Roger Carr of the Aiken Glaxo Smith Kline plant will be picked up on Jan. 8 and additional donations of toothpaste and meds are pending approval.

e. **Travel**

Given the fact that we have not yet had anyone express interest in the proposed HAF July 28-Aug. 7 trip dates, and FPC-Starkville has expressed a desire to send a team down this summer, the travel committee proposed canceling this trip. With the last HAF team scheduled to depart on July 16, this will free up the last half of July and the beginning of August for Starkville, should they choose to send a team down during that time. Several youth have expressed interest in the June 9-19 trip, but we have not purchased tickets for them because we do not yet have any adults signed up for that trip, and no BOD member has signed up for that trip.

MOTION: Cancel the July 28-Aug. 7 trip.—Motion passed.

f. Fundraising

--First Presbyterian Church of Aiken Donations: Ken reported that the Endowment Committee has agreed to provide \$2500 to fund health worker training, medical equipment, and other support for the 2010 Adopt-a-Village program for Texoxingales and Las Montanita (an increase of \$1000 over 2009) and an additional \$1100 was raised from the Alternative Gifts Program.

--Cookbook Sales: George Sewell reported that \$2200 has been received so far from the sale of cookbooks, and an additional \$710 not related to actual cookbook sales has been donated. Approximately 147 of the 293 cookbooks have been sold. Several Board members reported positive feedback from people regarding the recipes and the material describing our outreach programs that was included in the cookbook. Ken suggested that Board members approach store owners from their churches and ask if they might be willing to sell the cookbooks in their stores. Gratitude was again expressed for the hard work of the cookbook committee members and Allen was asked to write a letter of thanks to each of the members for their work on the project.

g. Awareness and Development (See Attachment #7)

Tommy noted that the HAF brochure has been updated to reflect the 2010 Board of Directors and new mission statement, and revised copies will be printed for use at the upcoming Global Impact Celebration at St. John's, once we know how many copies are needed. June mentioned the need to briefly update the medical outreach section to remove the part about the Agape clinic and will submit needed changes to Karen prior to reprinting. Because the revised brochures can be printed at South Aiken Presbyterian church at a reduced cost from the original order, it will be easier to revise and print copies on an "as needed" basis.

h. Highway Ministry (See Attachment #8)

5. Unfinished Business

a. January Mission Team Plan Updates (See Attachment #9)

Ken highlighted a few of the most recent planned activities for the January 14-21/23 mission team and mentioned that he is working to develop a daily work plan based on those items. He noted that the team meetings have been going very well and that during the recent meeting, Chris Kupcha returned to review Spanish communication skills with the team members. The team members demonstrated good "uptake" of the materials taught them during their former team training sessions. The team is scheduled to pack for their trip Saturday morning, Jan. 9 at First Presbyterian Church. George D. requested that the Blohms make note of specific projects not completed by the January mission team or needing follow-up and communicate them to him as potential projects for the Feb. 4-14 mission team.

b. St. John's Global Impact Celebration—Jan. 27-31 (See Attachment #10)

Allen distributed the schedule for the upcoming missions program at St. John's UMC and mentioned that Roxanne would be contacting Board members beginning the week of Jan. 10 to ask for participants. As a member of the GIC committee from St. John's, Randy provided information describing the event and encouraged us to develop a display that would incorporate audiovisuals showing actual projects and the human interest side of our ministry and focus on practical ways their church members can become involved in the various areas of HAF outreach. A follow-up congregational meeting planned for Feb. 21 will be used to determine the level of interest of the congregation in various mission organizations and determine the allocation of funds to support the various outreach ministries.

c. Integrated Planning Committee

Following the fall visioning conference, Allen agreed to develop a new committee to help direct and plan activities that would follow the new direction established for the new year.

MOTION: Establish the integrating planning committee as a special committee responsible for developing and maintaining timely plans which combine inputs from each major committee of the Foundation and produce an overall plan of action for approval by the Board of Directors. The committee shall include at least the chairperson of the following committees: Executive, Construction, Medical, Agape Promises, and Evangelism and Nurture. The committee's major emphasis will be to develop integrated plans for mission trips which resolve such things as conflicting priorities, funding constraints, and project sequencing questions. Approved plans from this committee will guide mission team activities and this committee will also be responsible for team leader recommendation and team activity coordination.—Motion approved.

Allen has appointed Jerry Taylor to serve as the chair of this committee. Because this committee is being established to help coordinate the shift in operational strategy of HAF, the specific activities and structure of the committee may require modification over time in order to effectively meet the assigned purpose. Once the committee is functioning optimally, the Board will determine whether to incorporate the committee into the bylaws as a regular standing committee. Although a member of the travel committee is not required to serve on the committee according to the criteria listed above, the travel committee may provide recommendations of team leaders from the list of members signed up for each mission team to this committee for consideration.

d. Designation of donation to pay administrative costs

Allen noted that Board of Directors donations of \$2000 that were previously recorded as general donations have been redesignated to cover US administrative costs. The purpose of the redesignation is to clarify that donors can be assured that every penny donated will go to Honduras to meet the needs there and will not be used to pay administrative

expenses in the US. Allen will evaluate the resulting net balance of the administrative costs and submit a report on his findings to the Board.

6. New Business

- a. Motion: *In acknowledgment of his completing three years of outstanding support for our work in Honduras, the Foundation will award Maynor Castillo an extra month's love offering [\$203.75] in January.*** –Motion passed.

The Board agreed to further evaluate the love offering he is currently receiving and propose adjustments, as appropriate, that would reflect our gratitude for his faithful voluntary service to our ministry. Alan Moses agreed to contact the US Aid office in Honduras and possibly the US embassy for information about typical wages for employees who perform similar administrative services for other Honduran agencies. (Note: Because Maynor is not an employee of HAF, these figures will be used for comparison and evaluation purposes only.)

7. Next Monthly BOD Meeting: Feb. 17, 2010--South Aiken Presbyterian Church Library

8. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

9. Closing prayer by Allen.

Consent Agenda

General Motions:

- 1. Approve the minutes of the Dec. 16, 2009 meeting as written.**
- 2. Approve the Financial Status Report through December 31, 2009 as written.**
- 3. Approve the appointment of new committee chairs for 2010 as submitted by the President.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Livingston, Secretary

Committee Reports Follow as Attachments

Attachment #1

HAF Financial Status through Dec. 31, 2009

	October	November	December	Sum, 10/1/09-9/30/10
Beginning each month				
Cash on hand				
Cash in Checking Account	\$ 7,190.85	\$ 8,097.23	\$ 2,793.53	
Cash in Vanguard Account	\$ 8,226.07	\$ 3,227.03	\$ 4,222.38	
Cash in Quimistan Bank	\$ 712.62	\$ 2,277.99	\$ 3,196.47	
Total Cash--Beginning Month	\$ 16,129.54	\$ 13,602.25	\$ 10,212.38	

Deposits to Checking Account

Designated

Agape Promises	\$ 160.00	\$ 1,641.00	\$ 8,981.00	\$ 10,782.00
Mission Trips	\$ 5,014.70	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 5,710.61	\$ 12,825.31
Home Construction	\$ -	\$ 65.00	\$ -	\$ 65.00
School Construction	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Meds, Anti-parasites, fluorides	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Adopt-a-Village	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,250.00
Higher Education Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Children's Home Fund	\$ -	\$ 187.00	\$ -	\$ 187.00
Highway Ministry	\$ 215.00	\$ 215.00	\$ 285.00	\$ 715.00
Benevolence Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Santa Clara ministry	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 857.00	\$ 1,957.00
Travel Scholarship Fund	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00

Undesignated

General Donations	\$ 1,425.00	\$ 1,373.25	\$ 4,489.00	\$ 7,287.25
Newsletter Response	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,770.00	\$ 2,770.00
Fundraising Campaign Response	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,015.00	\$ 1,015.00
Misc.	\$ 30.00	\$ 217.50	\$ 147.50	\$ 395.00
Total Deposits	\$ 7,894.70	\$ 6,448.75	\$ 25,505.11	\$ 39,848.56

Disbursements from Checking Account and Vanguard Account

"Nondiscretionary Recurring Expenditures"

Agape Promises	\$ -	\$ (3,707.33)	\$ -	\$ (3,707.33)
Mission Trip Expenses	\$ (5,775.80)	\$ (7,743.70)	\$ -	\$ (13,519.50)
Medical Support (inc. Doctor & Nurse)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (36.05)	\$ (36.05)
Administrative Exp. Honduras	\$ (21.25)	\$ (913.75)	\$ -	\$ (935.00)
Administrative Exp. USA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,708.31)	\$ (1,708.31)
Evangelism	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (46.69)	\$ (46.69)

Discretionary Expenditures

Building Homes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
School Projects	\$ (2,771.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,771.00)
Other Community Projects	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,000.00)
Highway Ministry	\$ (215.00)	\$ (355.00)	\$ -	\$ (570.00)
Misc. cost	\$ (1,674.22)	\$ 2,067.33	\$ (311.38)	\$ 81.73

Other Designated Funds

Higher Education Fund	\$ (381.05)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (381.05)
Benevolence Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Travel Scholarship Fund	\$ (100.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (100.00)
Santa Clara Ministry	\$ (50.00)	\$ (100.00)	\$ -	\$ (150.00)
Children's Home Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Disbursements	\$ (11,988.32)	\$ (10,752.45)	\$ (2,102.43)	\$ (24,843.20)

Deposits to Vanguard Account

Wachovia Checking to Vanguard	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 19,000.00
Interest Earned on Vanguard Deposits	\$ 0.96	\$ (4.65)	\$ 0.35	\$ (3.34)

Disbursements from Vanguard Account

Vanguard Wires to Quimistan	\$ (5,000.00)	\$ (3,000.00)	\$ -	\$ (8,000.00)
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Other wires to Quimistan

Western Union Wires to Quimistan	\$ 1,030.00			\$ 1,030.00
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End of Month

Cash in Checking Account	\$ 8,097.23	\$ 2,793.53	\$ 11,196.21
Cash in Vanguard Account	\$ 3,227.03	\$ 4,222.38	\$ 19,222.73
Cash in Quimistan Bank	\$ 2,277.99	\$ 3,196.47	\$ 218.34

Total Cash--End of Month \$ 13,602.25 \$ 10,212.38 \$ 30,637.28

(compares with \$44,360 on 12/31/08)

TOTAL OF DESIGNATED FUNDS \$ 21,364.37 \$ 13,380.61 \$ 29,214.22

UNDESIGNATED, DISCRETIONARY FUNDS \$ (7,762.12) \$ (3,168.23) \$ 1,423.06

We closed out 2009 with our total amount of cash slightly above the total amount of our future commitments for the first time since June, and only the second time in the last twelve months.

The overcommitment of \$6,148.20 shown in last month's financial status report was incorrect. That figure included an expected transfer of funds from the holding account in the Quimistan bank to the administrative and clinic accounts there, and those transfers actually didn't occur until December. So the correct amount of overcommitment at the end of November was only \$3,168.23.

December showed an upturn in general donations as a result of \$3,000 donated by HAF Directors. Response to the recent newsletter has also been good, with \$2,770 in general donations coming back in the inserted envelopes. An additional \$275 in undesignated late-December 2009 donations have been received since Jan. 1 which do not show in this report. Returns from cookbook sales have not all been turned in yet, but that appears to be fully paid for and now will be generating money to support our mission efforts.

Designated fund commitments at the end of 2009 include these:

- \$9,730 Agape Promises
- \$6,824 Children's Home
- \$6,096 Mission Trips
- \$4,787 Higher Education (QVS)
- \$ 857 Santa Clara Student Support
- \$ 634 Travel Scholarship
- \$ 285 Highway Ministry (additional \$1,000 was a late-December donation)

TOTAL: \$29,213

Money transfers in January will bring down the AP, Mission Trip, Santa Clara, and Highway Ministry amounts.

Notice also that total cash at the end of December was about \$14,000 less than at the same time one year earlier. Donations dropped off for the year, and spending increased. Our increased efforts on fundraising should bear fruit as we go into this new year. We also need to be really diligent to avoid unnecessary expenditures as we pursue our goals of spreading the love of Jesus Christ to the people of Honduras.

Respectfully submitted,
Allen Blancett

Attachment #2

HAF Committee Chairs for 2010
Allen Blancett, January 3, 2010

The HAF bylaws require that committee chairs be appointed by the president annually with approval of the board of directors. The outcome of our most recent visioning meeting set a different path for us to take in our programs, and in my opinion this is a good time to propose some different chairpersons for some of our committees. I would also like to appoint a new Special Committee for Integrated Planning (see below the table). I think the changes will capitalize on the skills and interests of BOD members in a different way and provide a bit of a fresh approach as we move ahead as we agreed.

I met with the HAF officers for 2010 to review the needs as we see them, and to compare our thoughts about how to realign some of the committees. Since that time we have contacted each person with the request that the person agree to head the respective committee, and each person has agreed. Here is what the proposed lineup looks like at this date. The order is not intended to imply anything about relative importance; it is simply in the order listed in the bylaws, Article 4.

I propose the following appointments for approval by the Board:

Name of Committee	Proposed Chairperson
Executive	Allen Blancett
Nominating	Randy Shelley
Finance	Roxanne Turnipseed
Awareness and Development	Tommy Thompson
Construction	George Sewell
Medical	JUNE/Ken Blohm
Evangelism and Nurture	
Travel	George Dewhirst
Fundraising	
Agape Promises	KEN/June Blohm
Quimistan Valley Scholar	Sam Turnipseed

The Highway Ministry is not a committee recognized in the bylaws, but **I propose that we treat it as a Special Committee and continue with George Dewhirst chairing that initiative.**

As a follow-up to our visioning meeting, **I propose that we recognize an Integrated Planning Committee as a Special Committee and appoint Jerry Taylor as its chair.**

I drafted and Jerry revised a responsibility paragraph for an Integrated Planning Committee:

Integrated Planning Committee: The Integrated Planning Committee is responsible for developing and maintaining timely plans which combine inputs from each major committee of the Foundation and produce an overall plan of action for approval by the Board of Directors. The committee shall include at least the chairperson of the following committees: Executive, Construction, Medical, Agape Promises, and Evangelism and Nurture.

The committee's major emphasis will be to develop integrated plans for mission trips which resolve such things as conflicting priorities, funding constraints and project sequencing questions. Approved plans from this committee will guide mission team activities and this committee will also be responsible for team leader recommendation and team activity coordination.

You will notice that the last part of the last sentence would move the team leader recommendation and team activity coordination from the Travel Committee where it has been previously, to the Integrated Planning Committee. Jerry and George have agreed that it is a reasonable proposal. As we normally find out, there may be unforeseen problems in the approach, but it might work without problems.

I propose that those two committee chairs work with their committees and each other to see how this change would affect our overall functioning. If it doesn't work, it can be modified. If we find that the Integrated Planning Committee is an effective way to get the job done, we can decide later whether to add it to the bylaws as a standing committee. So—let the integrated planning begin!

Attachment #3

Thoughts on a Path Forward for Starkville FPC Relative to HAF;
Discussions with Olin McBride and Anne Buffington
January 5, 2010

- 1. Starkville would like to “get back together” with us to share a common ministry in Honduras.**
 - a. They desire to not participate in BOD meetings; the distance just makes it too hard.
 - b. They don't care to be involved in the decision-making by the BOD.
 - c. They don't have any strong feelings about whether or not we want to consider them as part of HAF (i.e., a fifth church in the support list).
- 2. They would like to be able to plan on one mission trip each year to the Quimistan area.**
 - a. They would like to have one of our overall trips considered as the “Starkville trip”. If they don't have a full team from Starkville, others would be welcome to join their trip and their trip plans.
 - b. Their preference on timing would be June, with July as second choice, and August as third.
 - c. They would prefer a shorter trip, such as two weekends and the 5-day work week. The ten-day trip is too long for some to be away from their jobs.
 - d. They do not want to be obligated to have a BOD member in the team.
- 3. They would plan their trip to be compatible with our plans, but with their relational style.**
 - a. Their dentists (4) would want our agreement that they can work in the Agape clinic, with their equipment.
 - b. They would want our agreement that they can interact with Rene Jerezano without problems.
 - c. They would prefer to not be expected to do an AP-centered meal or party.
- 4. They would provide financial support to HAF mission work in Honduras.**
 - a. They wonder about their financial situation this year. Past support from the Mission Committee has been \$10,000 or more. This year their contributions are down seriously; support is TBD.
 - b. They would plan to contribute financially to joint projects with HAF to the limit of their ability, and would want to share the work where possible.
 - c. They would want us to suggest projects that they might fund.
- 5. They would like to rely on us for some administrative support**
 - a. They would like to stay at the Thomsen's ranch, not the Agape compound.
 - b. They would like to rely on the same local volunteers—Ana, Gloria, Sondra, . . .
 - c. They would like us to provide them initially with a listing of the arrangements that need to be made in support of a mission trip. They are willing to make the arrangements if they know how and if we prefer that they make their own arrangements.
 - d. They would like to be able to call on Maynor for local help—as yet undefined
- 6. They would like Anne Buffington to be their primary interface person with us.**

Attachment #4
AP Board Report
January 6, 2010

School situation in Quimistan

- Since so much school was missed as a result of the political situation, there is talk that they may open schools earlier in January than in previous years. Maynor has been asked to research this situation and keep us posted.

Year End Outing

- An end of the school year outing was held on December 20, 2009. All of the AP students went to Balneario, a water park. A good time was had by all.

Bible Study

- The Bible Study activity will begin on January 10, 2010. Maynor meets with each child at the end of the month to show them their attendance record, and to explain to them the rules for remaining in the program. It is intended to make them aware of their obligations and commitments.

New Student

- A new student has been added to the program. Her name is Dilcia and she is the first child from Tejeras.

Respectfully submitted,
June and Ken Blohm
January 4, 2010

Attachment #5
Construction Committee Report
January 6, 2010

1. No activities in Honduras to report
2. I have send George Sewell a CD containing all of my construction committee files and will meet with George on Thursday to answer questions and complete the turnover.

Respectfully submitted,
George Dewhirst
Construction Committee Chair

Attachment #6
Medical Health Committee Report
January 6, 2010

Obtain lower cost meds

- The meds donated by TLC Pharmacy have arrived and will be inventoried Wednesday afternoon, January 6th.
- Karen has obtained expired meds and supplies from Cedar Creek Church which we would hope to take with the January team pending space available.
- Through Roger Carr of Glaxo Smith Kline, Karen has a list of meds which they might supply. She is focusing on the dental items and the vitamins for now.
- Ken has ordered a 4 bottle case of Pyrantel from Silver Bluff. The team wants to explore alternatives in tablet form available in Honduras as a future solution.

Dental care / prevention – cleaning and fluoride:

- Randy's office made a generous donation to the dental hygiene education, cleaning and fluoride program. The donation was in lieu of a traditional office gift exchange.
- Ken is working to move the donated dental chair and lights to Quimistan and get them installed.

Preventative medical health work in the aldeas

- Dra Elsa and Maynor have developed a schedule for the month of January for chats in Tejeras, Banderas, Las Montanitas and Teo.
- Dra Elsa will begin training the Community Health Workers in Las M on January 15th and will conduct a follow up session on January 29th.

Closing the Agape Clinic

- The last day of the clinic operation was Monday, December 14th.

Eye clinic

- 500 pair of sunglasses has been received from the Lions for the January eye clinic.
- Ken has been working with Canon to determine service options in Honduras. Canon US no longer services this model and they are not aware of service providers in Honduras. They've recommended going back to James Roberts from whom we purchased the machine should the problems continue.

Respectfully submitted,
Ken and June Blohm
January 4, 2010

Attachment #7

Awareness & Development Committee Report
January 2010

- The auto-refractor training video, in progress for nearly a year, was completed in December. Copies have been distributed to the Medical Committee. Additional copies can be made available as needed. While this version is in English, a Spanish version may be done in the future, as need for this is determined.
- After lots of "trial and error", a 6-minute video showing photos of the March 2009 dental mission trip has been posted to YouTube. It can be found at:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l2Xv_z0kKA4

This video will be linked to our web site. Plans are to set up additional videos and photos during the year, which will also be linked to our web site.

- Our tri-fold HAF flyer, developed last fall by Karen Livingston, has been updated to reflect our new 2010 Board and our revised Mission Statement. Copies will be provided to St. John's UMC for their Global Impact Celebration, Jan. 27-31. Additional copies will be made available for other programs and events as needed. By using the color copier at SAPC, the cost will be about \$.20 each. For comparison, our initial printing of 300 cost us about \$.68 each through Howell Printing.

Respectfully submitted,

Tommy Thompson, Chairman
Awareness & development

Attachment #8

Highway Ministry Committee Report
January 2010

1. Activities in Honduras

- a. The Friday and Sunday feedings of Tejeras Community children continue.

2. It is my understanding that a significant contribution has been made to the Highway Feeding Program by Dr. Randy Shelley's office but I have no details since the Fund Raising Chair asked that it not be announced until he could arrange a PR event. Maybe he can shed some light on this gift.

Very Respectfully Submitted,
George Dewhirst

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Attachment #9

January Mission Trip
January 14 – 21/23, 2010

Planned Activities

Primary Objective:

- To spread the love of Jesus Christ to the people of Honduras. Anything we do in addition, is a plus.

Travel Arrangements:

- All activities being managed by Team Leaders.

Construction:

- George Sewell Orientation – meetings with Jose Pinto, Maynor and other construction related persons to review current projects
- Building of 20 desks and benches for LM. Funding provided by First Presbyterian Church.
- Building 2 Justa Stoves for LM. The intent is to teach them the process so they can do it themselves. Representatives from TEO will also be invited so they can learn also. Both communities will build additional stoves. First Presbyterian has provided funding for approximately 20 stoves.
- Review of Justa stove and Bio Sand Filter at Omar's home in Tejas.
- Evaluation of latrine built by locals for possible expansion to other locations. An AP sponsor resulting from medical problems with their child provided financial support. Assess problems with school bathrooms at LM.

Evangelism:

- Conduct VBS activity with AP students, Tejas and LM.
- Attend local worship services.
- One of the participants in the FPCA July trip suggested we acquire Bible related storybooks and read to the children in the villages we visit. We will be doing this for as many children as possible.

Agape Promises:

- AP luncheon on Sunday, with recognition for recent graduates, Laura and Vilma, VBS and dental hygiene program.

Highway Ministry:

- Participate and support the feeding of the people in Tejas.

Medical:

- Assuming the Auto-refractor is operational, conduct 2-3 days of testing, using the Hospital facilities in Quimistan.
- Fluoride and De-worming – Francisco Bogran
- Dental Hygiene Training – New program funded by Randy Shelley and his staff, will be started in Tejas, Banderas, Santa Clara.
- Water testing and review of Bio Sand Filter maintenance process in Santa Clara.
- Justa stove results and maintenance process review in Santa Clara.
- Participate in Dr Elsa's training of Community Health workers in LM. Distribute blood pressure cuffs and stethoscopes donated by a member of First Presbyterian Church.
- Participate in Dr Elsa's hygiene chat with the villages on the importance of washing their hands, good bathroom habits, etc.
- Meet with the doctors at the hospital to discuss and obtain a working relationship agreement. We will bring the final version back to the Board for approval.

General

- Meet with village leaders in LM and Teo to gain concurrence on priorities and reinforce understanding of responsibilities.
- The creative women on our team are developing crafts that we will discuss with the women in the villages.
- Arrange for after dinner speakers, e.g. Martha and Gary, Drs Elsa and Carlos, Vilma and Laura, Katie Wooten.
- City tour for first timers and old timers.
- Send blog reports each day. Gerry Depo and Jim Kelley are our Blog Meisters
- Arrange an appreciation dinner to commemorate Maynor's third year anniversary

Respectfully submitted:

Ken and June Blohm

January 5, 2010

Attachment #10

Global Impact Celebration

Draft Schedule

Jan. 27-31, 2010

Wednesday, Jan. 27

1:00 – 4:00 PM	Missionaries arrive and set up displays
4:00 – 5:00 PM	Orientation session with missionaries
5:30 – 6:15 PM	Kickoff/International Banquet (dinner begins @ 5:30 p.m.)
6:15 – 6:30 PM	Special music and lining up for flag ceremony
6:30 – 7:30 PM	Opening Service w/keynote speaker
7:30 – 8:30 PM	Missionary booths

Thursday, Jan. 28

10:00 – 11:00 AM

11:00 - 12:30 PM

5:30 – 7:00 PM

Ministry to Missionaries (w/George Howle)

55+ Luncheon

Young Families Night

Friday, Jan. 29

10:00 – 11:30 AM

7:00 – 8:30 PM

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Saturday, Jan. 30

7:00 – 9:00 AM

9:00 – 3:00 PM

7:00 – 8:30 PM

Youth & Missionaries work Grace Kitchen

Satur-Day of Service w/all missionaries

Meet a Missionary (at homes and church)

Sunday, Jan. 31

8:30 – 9:15 AM

9:02 – 9:45 AM

10:00 – 10:45 AM

11:00 – 12:00 PM

12:15 – 1:30 PM

6:00 – 7:30 PM

Traditional worship service in sanctuary w/speaker

Contemporary worship service in gym w/speaker

SS Classes – Globalization of Missions

Traditional worship service in sanctuary w/speaker

Debriefing Luncheon

Life Commitment Service (youth & all) in Chapel