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Dearest Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Hello again after such a long time! I hope we haven't been out of your minds, hearts, or prayers because we haven't forgotten you either. We know it's been a couple of months since we have written. We can only say we have been hard at work in the Lord's vineyard and just didn't have time to get to a computer to write before now. We still love you all and thank you for remembering us and for being a part of this ministry. God bless you all.

God has done so much in our lives I don't quite know where to start. The last letter you received, Larry had just returned from the trip to the Seri Indians in Old Mexico. We then plunged into our home and church meetings that we do when we're in this country. That involves many miles of traveling and unpacking and re-packing when we do get to be at home for a day or two. What great fellowship we have had with all of you though! Hallelujah! It's always a pleasure to see those of you who can come to the meetings. You can find our schedule at our web-site. For those of you we didn't get to see in person, we love you too and don't forget about you.

One experience that Larry had in San Antonio I will tell about because I think it will bless you all greatly. A sister in Christ was having problems that I won't discuss here, except to say she was the catalyst for what happened. She was very disturbed with a woman in San Antonio who was a fortune-teller and she blamed her for some of the problems she had been having with a family member. So Larry said he would go with her to confront the woman. He ministered to the sister that she needed to put away her anger and think of the woman as a lost soul in need of salvation through Jesus Christ. When they arrived at the woman's place of business they parked across the road and waited for the Holy Spirit to impress upon them the right time to go in. When they did finally go in, there were no customers and Larry just walked up to the woman, held out his hand and said, "My name is Larry, what's yours?" She took his hand and replied, "My name is Rosa." Immediately Larry began to pray for her and the Lord gave him some words of knowledge for her. When he finished praying the lady was frozen with no expression on her face for a few seconds and then she just burst into tears and fell on the counter weeping. Larry embraced her as she wept and she said, "I want to come over to your side, I want to become a Christian right NOW!!" Glory to the Lord Jesus Christ!! Larry and the sister were both caught a little off guard because it happened so fast, but nevertheless they were glorifying God to win a soul out of the kingdom of darkness into the Kingdom of light! They ministered to her as long as they could and exchanged phone numbers so they could keep in touch and encourage her in her new life in Christ. Larry has talked a few times to her and some dear sisters in Christ who live near her are also ministering to her. She has a hard road ahead of her to completely give up her previous life-style, but with God's help and your prayers and ours she will make it I'm sure! God is so good and so merciful!

Also, another wonderful praise report! I had mentioned in the last letter about our vehicle and trailer problems and all the repairs that were needed. Well God really answered the desires of our heart. About a week after the letter was mailed out we started to receive phone calls and visits from brothers and sisters in Christ that God felt led to help us with vehicles and trailers. One brother graciously had us pick out a travel trailer that would sleep both Vaughn's family and Larry and myself very comfortably. The brother also had the gear system in the rear-end of the tahoe changed, so we could pull the heavier trailer. The trailer is beautiful, a 1997 Wilderness Fleetwood, in very good condition. What a joy it has been to have a comfortable place to cook and sleep and bathe! Then, another brother and sister gave Vaughn and Irene a 1992 custom van, also in very good condition. They had no vehicle in which to travel long distances comfortably. Then, another brother and sister gave Larry and me a 1994 four-wheel drive suburban! It is beautiful and can carry us all when we have to travel together. So now, we have vehicles with which to pull not only the travel trailers, but the pontoon boat too. This will really be a blessing on the trip to the Northwest Territories next May. Isn't God GOOD?!!! We certainly think so!! I can't tell you what a blessing these vehicles have already been and what a confirmation it was to Vaughn and Irene that God really was in favor of their returning to the full-time ministry. They have been in all our meetings with us and what a great addition to this ministry they are and what a great blessing they have been to so many people. We thank God every day for allowing them to minister with us again full-time. We want to thank these brothers and sisters who gave so generously to help us in this ministry. God will repay them many times over in the special ways that they need it most. Thank you, we love you!!

We also got the little 10ft. travel trailer repaired with the help of another blessed brother in Christ, that is a welder. Larry and Vaughn left day before yesterday, Dec. 1st, pulling that little trailer with the tahoe, headed for Mexico, Belize and Guatemala. They called a few hours ago to say they had made it past the first checkpoint with no trouble and will call later tonight after they get through the next checkpoint. Please keep them and their vehicles in your prayers. They will be back the very end of December, God willing. They plan to go to new villages with Gospel movies and preaching, and also try to visit as many of the works we started over 25 years ago in central and southern Mexico and also Guatemala as they can. We didn't really start any works of our own in Belize, but ministered many times with Jim and Murlene Golden who have been missionaries to Belize for over 40 years and also Gloria Porterfield who has been there for over 20 years. God willing they will visit with them if they get that far. They intend to let the Holy Spirit lead them to the people and places that HE wants them to go. They do not want to run on ahead of the Holy Spirit if He wants them to stay and minister in one place or another longer than they planned. After all, many are the plans of a man, but only the plans of the Lord will

succeed! God willing, they will also try to minister in the Yucatan Peninsula with the Mayan Indians. Some of our past works are there too. The Yucatan was hit by hurricane Isador a few months and devastated many businesses, crops and such and left around 500,000 people without food, clothing or shelter. Larry and Vaughn hope to not only minister the Gospel there, but to also relieve as much of the suffering as they can. They have also taken along a young man for training, Matthew Murski. Pray for Matthew, as this is his first trip out of the United States and I'm sure it will be a tremendous culture shock for him. He does not speak Spanish either and that is always hard on a person, but Larry and Vaughn will interpret for him. The roads are long and hard, in poor condition, and sometimes dangerous, so please pray for them. There is still a lot of terrorist activity especially in southern Mexico. We have been stopped a few times by them as we traveled through those countries in years past but the Lord always delivered us out of their hands and we know He will keep His hand on our husbands now too! Praise His name! We're looking forward to a wonderful harvest of souls for the Lord and to the great testimonies we'll be hearing from this trip when we see you all again in January. Praise the Lord!

Irene, Esther, Ephraim, Benjamin and myself are here at home base holding down the fort while the guys are gone. Please remember us in your prayer too. This is Irene and the children's first time to be away from Vaughn for more than a few days and they do need some encouragement. Of course I will miss Larry too, but after nearly 40 years of ministry and being apart from him for long periods of time I am somewhat more used to it than they are. Irene and the children have moved in with me so we can keep each other company. Sometimes the staying is harder than the going. We appreciate all of you for thinking of us and our needs while the guys are gone. God bless you for it.

As I said, we will be ministering again the month of January in our home and church meetings. After that, Larry and Vaughn will leave again for the month of February to the Amazon jungle in Brazil, South America. I have to try and buy plane tickets for them before they get back from the Mexico trip, so be praying for this need too please. Irene's tribe, the Wai Wai, of whom her father is now the chief, have recently discovered a new stone-age tribe out in the Amazon jungle. The Amazon is the size of the United States and is basically a thick unexplored jungle. We are all so excited about this new discovery!! There are at present some 10 or more Spirit-filled pastors from the Wai Wai out there with this new tribe ministering the Gospel to them. Hallelujah! Irene's grandfather, Elka, was the first convert to Christ from the Wai Wai tribe in 1963, and in his lifetime he searched for, found and led to Christ, seven other wild stone-age tribes before he passed away five years ago. When he died, the vision to search for other tribes all but died with him, so this accidental finding of this new tribe has somewhat revived that vision. Vaughn heart's desire has always been to go back to the Amazon to encourage Irene's tribe to revive their vision to look for lost tribes. This is just an answer to his prayers. He and Larry had already planned the trip to go down there, and this is just a confirmation that the Lord really wants them to go. We ourselves lived there for six years and did that work, and that is how Vaughn met Irene. So, they plan to be gone the whole month of February and we need your prayers for that trip too.

As you noticed at the top of the letter, the name of our ministry has changed. We are now GOFF MINISTRIES, as Frontier Minis tries is no longer functional. So please make your love offerings out to GOFF MINISTRIES now, or just to Larry, Betty or Vaughn Goff. Nothing has changed, only the name. Thank you and God bless each of you that take part financially in this ministry, we couldn't do it without you. Or our prayer partners either. It takes all of us to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ around the world, each fulfilling his or her part in the Body of Christ. And we know God will bless you and is blessing you now for all you're doing to further His Kingdom. We pray all the time for you and your needs to be met and just as He meets our needs, we know He will meet yours also, whether physically, spiritually or financially. Glory to His Holy Name!

Well, guess I better close this and try to get it in the mail. So until next time, remember that we love you and pray for you as you remember us. May the Lord bless you all and may you have a wonderful, blessed holiday season. Remember, Jesus is the reason for the season! Lift Him up and He will draw all men unto Him!!!

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As always , working hard for Jesus,
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