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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, whose temple you are,

It was a warm day in Juarez, Mexico, the city across the border from El Paso, Texas. As I was walking across the International Bridge into Mexico I thought about my wife, Betty, my children, and my grandchildren that I may not get to see on this earth again. I also thought about all the brothers and sisters in Christ that knew I was crossing the border at that time and were praying for me and praying to bind the satanic powers of darkness over that city, especially the Prince of Juarez. I could feel the threatening powers of darkness daring me to take one more step into their territory. As I was walking with my guitar over my shoulder this threatening force seemed to be a perimeter about a half-mile thick surrounding the city. I spoke out loud to Satan's forces and said, "You know who I am and I come against you in the Name of God the Father, God the Holy Spirit and God the Son, Jesus Christ, whose temple I am, and He is the Lord over all rulers and authorities in the universe. Col. 2:9-10. Now stand back and watch Jesus Christ reflect His compassion and power through me to His lost sheep and all those you hold captive in your kingdom!"

After walking through many soldiers with their carnal weapons, like machine guns, etc., I thanked them for their service and then noticed the Mexican people, men, women and children with their mouths hanging open. They appeared not to believe their own eyes, as they had not seen a white American walking down their sidewalk in a long time. The Holy Spirit would stop me from time to time and I would sing for the people, preach the word to them and pray with them, all in Spanish, of course. Sometimes the Holy Spirit would lead me to get on a bus and travel throughout the intercity, getting off at intervals and ministering, hopping on a different bus doing the same thing, and on and on the whole day. The people were so receptive and thanked me with joy on their faces for coming to encourage them in this time of darkness and suffering in their city. The only resistance I felt was from the churches, of all denominations. They were all boarded up and locked with chains on the doors, and high fences all around them. The few pastors that I got to talk with were fearful and wouldn't even shake my hand. They were completely bound with fear. I tried to tell them that the people were not coming to the churches, but they were out in the streets and it was time to go outside the walls of the church to minister the Gospel, that the people needed to see strong fearless leaders for Christ, but they didn't listen. They only stared at me with worried faces and thought I was crazy. This made my heart heavy, but I had come to do what the Lord had sent me to do, so I continued to minister as I have stated and spent the whole day in Juarez reaching out to the lost.

Your prayers put a hedge of protection around me and God did protect me from every onslaught of Satan. Juarez is considered the most dangerous city on earth right now by the world, but God's power is greater, and we must be obedient to His calling on our lives no matter what. Obviously for the foreseeable future I will be shifting my ministry to the border cities of old Mexico, where the need is greater at this time. It is a time to give the hurting people there a complete expression of the Lord's divine nature. You all can help me and be a part of this ministry by praying for me and mostly by praying against the powers of darkness that is operating all along the entire Mexican border through these evil drug cartels. Betty will notify some of you every time I cross over the border and if you would then call others to stand in prayer with us, then we as the Body of Christ can do exploits in the Name of the Most High God and our Lord Jesus Christ. Thank you and may God continue to bless each of you as we also pray for you.

As always, on the battle front for Jesus,

Larry

Just a short note from Betty:

I want to thank you for keeping me in prayer also. It has been very hard and stressful staying behind as Larry goes to these dangerous places. I have needed your prayers and they have helped greatly to give me peace of mind. We have been to and lived in many dangerous places under dangerous circumstances in the past, but Satan really has been attacking me and my flesh has been weak, but with your prayers I have overcome. Praise the Lord Jesus who never

lets us down. These are hard times for a lot of people as we get closer to the coming of Christ and Satan is fighting harder and harder as his time grows short. I encourage you all to also keep your eyes on Jesus, keep your faith strong and trust in the Lord with all your heart, not leaning to your own understanding. God bless you and thank you so much for all you each do for this family and this entire ministry. We love you all.

Your sister in Christ, Betty

P.S. Valene and Scott are still in Rockport, Texas, carrying on the ministry there. They too continue to need your prayers so please remember them also. God has blessed Valene with some jobs, but Scott is still looking. They still have some financial obligations to meet, but we know God is able to supply their needs also. Praise His Name!

Good News Camp Report from Vaughn.

Dear fellow servants of Christ Jesus.

My heart is so full of thanksgiving towards God for His bountiful supply at the camp through His faithful servants. This year has been one of tremendous blessing and provision for camp needs. Ever since the Lord first gave me the vision for the camp I have had a vision of what the camp would become. That vision is slowly becoming a reality through the Lord's miraculous provision. Although it has been a tremendous amount of physical work on our part, the unmistakable hand of God working throughout the whole process to make it come into being has been humbling. There is still a long ways to go but I have the assurance that the Lord is faithful to complete all that it is in His will to do.

One of the biggest praises for me personally is that my family has been living at the camp with me for the last two and a half months because of the Lord's provision of a a home for them at the camp. Having Irene with me full time at the camp has been a tremendous relief as she is such a powerful minister herself and helper to me. Benjamin is also doing great as a home-schooler, which is a big answer to prayer. We are using the Accelerated Christian Education curriculum for him and he is loving it. He is moving so fast that he may be able to finish second and third grades this year. This will catch him up to where he should be. We had to hold him back a year before starting school because of his underdeveloped English skills that were the result of him living at the Amazon mission base in a trilingual environment.

Ministry at the camp this summer has not been at all what I had expected it to be. Summer has normally been our busiest time at the camp as far has people attending the 21-day program for addiction problems go. But this summer has been different. Although there have been some that have come to the camp for those reasons, there have been many more struggling or confused Christians that of come to the camp for spiritual encouragement and enlightening. I have always made the camp available for this purpose as the Lord showed me from the start that many Christians needed a place where they could get away to clear their heads and get back in touch with their Lord. As the institutions of this world, that some have inadvertently placed their faith and trust in, start to weaken and crumble, I feel that more and more Christians will desperately seek to stabilize themselves on the Solid Rock foundation of God's word and their relationship with Jesus Christ their Lord. I know that the decades of experience serving God on the foreign mission field, where God was our source for everything, has prepared us for such a time as this. Through all of these things, God has prepared us for the equipping of the saints so that they may stand strong and not falter in the coming days ahead.

Now I want to share with you a letter of one of the people that did attend the camp for the 21 day program this year. I know you will be blessed by it.

Dear Vaughn, Irene and family.

First of all, I have to say "Thank You!" My stay here at the Good News Camp has been an experience that I can honestly say, has been exhilarating. Not only did you help me; I truly believe that it has been a life changing experience. When I came here, I was convinced in my heart that my life was completely without purpose. But due to your efforts, I believe without a doubt, that the Lord does have a plan for my life. (what exactly that plan is, he has yet to disclose that information to me). I know for sure that it is to help others, especially those in despair, the way that I was before He brought me here. Not only did your teachings benefit me, but the love that you have for

people. I can see that your love is truly a gift from God. Not only did you (Vaughn and Irene) open your home for me, you treated me as family. I actually felt (and still do feel) that I was loved. My parents and children love me, but of course, they have to by nature. The Lord has gifted you both with hearts to take in people you have never met, open your home, share your family and to accomplish what I personally felt was completely impossible. I know that Jesus Christ died on the cross for us, not just good people, but for me also. I always knew that he loved me, but was pretty sure that he was tired of me. You have persuaded me otherwise. Although we our all nearly the same age, I'd like to (if you don't mind) call you my spiritual parents. Because of you and your family, I know there will be plenty of souls saved here on this earth. You've saved souls, that I know of, in the Amazon, Mexico, Lubbock, Abilene, and only Jesus knows all of the other places. I am proud to inform you that you will now be saving souls in El Paso Texas, through me. I plan to go out there and work for the Lord. Not only did you help me to become a new person spiritually, you have also taught me plenty. The most important thing you taught me (besides that Jesus loves me), is family values. You have an incredible family. All with the qualities to help and save people like me. The one that society has no problem just giving a furtive glance at and then keep on walking, never considering that there might be some good in us, not to mention, possibly help others if given the chance. I would like to thank everyone involved in your ministry, if I can remember them all. You and Irene, Ephraim, Esther and Benjamin, your mom and dad, Nancy and Eddy, Edwin, Mrs. Wanda Muphree and her bunch, your brother Victor and Mike, and all the others that have shown me that being a Christian is knowing a much better, more fulfilling way of life. Thank you Irene for cooking, fixing my backpack and being an inspiration. Thank you Vaughn for teaching me a whole lot of things I need to know, and reminding me of much that I needed to remember.

In closing I would like to say thank you to my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for giving His life for me on the cross and for creating Christians like the ones who have The Good News Camp. May your works continue forever.

Love always & forever. Your son in Christ, Steve.

I don't know about you, but the above letter touched me deeply. It also opened my eyes to a greater understanding of the truth that, how we live our daily lives is so much more important then the teachings we teach with our mouths. Many of the people that Steve mentioned in his letter (aside from our family), only met him for a short period of time, but they had a tremendous impact on him because they wore the love of Jesus like a garment of righteousness ever second of their daily lives. As the darkness of sin grows even stronger in the world, it is our duty as Christians to shine even brighter so that those in the darkness, like Steve, will see the light and run to it. I pray that the Lord will continue to bring many more people like Steve the camp. You can be a part of helping them get to the camp as well, by being on the look out for people that are ready for a life changing experience with Jesus Christ. You can find all the information about the camp or those who are interested by going to the camp website: www.thegoodnewscamp.org. Or you can have them call me at 806-787-1023.

Well, like all things of this earth that must come to an end (it won't be this way in heaven, Praise the Lord!), so must this letter. I ask you to continue to pray for us. I know that it is unnecessary for me to remind you to do this, but I want you to know just how vital your prayers and support our to us. I pray that the blessing of the Lord be upon you and your family.

Christ's humble servants,
Vaughn, Irene, Ephraim & Benjamin

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