



## MISSIONARY TIDBITS

It was wonderful to see so many of you at the annual MGF conference. We know that you must have received such a blessing, as we did, to fellowship with other missionaries, learn more about their ministries as you visited and read their posters, and were fed spiritually by the teaching of Pastor Wes Swanson and Director Jay Hyatt's exhortation of the 23rd Psalm. We missed those that were not able to attend and hope to see you next year or at the mid year conference. As you are well aware, many of our members are experiencing serious health issues at this time. So let us continue to encourage them through our prayers, letters, cards and phone calls. Please especially remember Jaymi Farley, David Fitch, LuAnn Hyatt, Eleanor Kam, Jean Kantor, Lena Markely, Bob McClain, Ruth McDade, Gladys Moreno, Lynnae Obermiller, Santos Rivera, and Shawn and Karen Coleman in the loss of Karen's sister. Please continue to remember that we are here to serve you and would also appreciate your prayers for our ministry and our family.

Don and Joyce Townsend, Missionary Care Directors



### CALIFORNIA

**Marguerite Stonebarger**, in her 90's and legally blind, reminded us that if we have a willing heart, God has a place of service regardless of our age or disability. Marguerite lives at the Rosewood Center in Bakersfield, plays for services at the Center and also leads two Bible studies. She started working in the migrant camps in 1946 after losing her heart to the children. She directed Bible schools all over the county and started Sunday Schools and churches in the area. Today she continues to witness to those in the Center who do not know the Lord.



#### PRAY FOR:

- Continued good health
- Comfort for her and the family of a dear friend whom they had just lost the day we visited
- Strength to continue to serve the Lord

**Petra Campbell**, a nurse, first started going to Mexico with a group to meet medical needs. However, through this ministry God led her to San Felipe on the Sea of Cortez about 125 miles south of Mexicali. There she and Jessica, her sixteen year old daughter, work with eleven pastors, the mayor, the judge and a Christian physician. With the help of local churches she is able to provide them with food, school supplies and medical and dental care. What an encouraging and enjoyable time to hear Petra and Jessica tell of their experiences in ministering to the ones God has placed in their lives.



**LIVE MORE SIMPLY SO OTHERS CAN  
SIMPLY LIVE!**

## CANADA

### PRAY FOR:

- Comfort as she grieves the loss of her sister
- Churches who are sending out missionaries to other villages with no church
- Car for missionary travels
- Church property title—whose name should it be in
- Whether Petra should build a house in San Felipe
- Jessica as she studies and prepares for college



**LuAnn Hyatt** has been diagnosis with Multiple Sclerosis and Lyme disease and has just completed 39 hyperbaric oxygen therapy treatments. HBOT is a treatment in which a patient breaths 100% oxygen while the pressure of the treatment chamber is increased to a point higher than sea level pressure. LuAnn has not noticed significant differences since the treatment and still has good and bad days; however, her fatigue seems to be less.

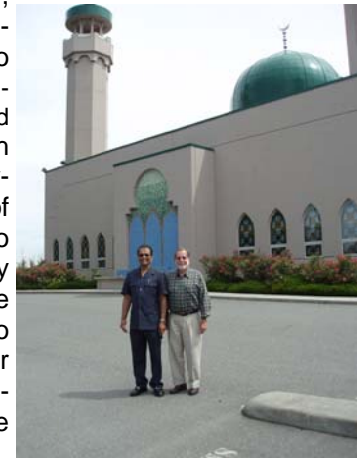
### PRAY FOR:

- Trust in the Lord everyday; that He will be glorified and use her even when she is not feeling well
- Wisdom in pacing herself
- Rachael and Keith as they attend Bible School in Spain and minister in a local church

**Daniel and Christie Hilson** serve in the Richmond Faith Fellowship in Richmond, British Columbia where Daniel is Pastor of Multi-cultural ministries and Christie works in the children's ministry. Two worship areas are used by



an Indo-Indian fellowship and a multi-cultural fellowship. All the children meet together for Sunday School. At one time the church was filled with primarily German descendents. Now the community around the church consists of many different people groups from around the world. Daniel, Christie and their daughter, **Nithya**, took us to three different worship centers/temples and explained some of their beliefs which gave us a better understanding of the beliefs of those they are trying to reach. Daniel frequently organizes trips to the temples for Christians so they can have a better understanding of the different beliefs of those they are trying to reach.



### PRAY FOR:

- God's direction in expanding His kingdom
- Richmond Faith Fellowship as it goes through transitions and reaches out to those in the community
- Financial support

### \*\*\*\*\*BOOK LAUNCH\*\*\*\*\*

**Sunday, September 30th,**  
**MGF Office 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.**



**GRAPES OF GLORY**, written by our own Adell (Dollie) Harvey, is filled with life stories of God working through MGF missionaries during the Dust Bowl era. Grapes of Glory may be ordered through the MGF office for \$7.25 (MGF members) and \$10.00 (non-MGF members). **Plan to attend!**



**David and Shirley McLauren** with their twin daughters, **Samantha and Michelle**, minister in the city of Surry, British Columbia as well as in Abbotsford, B.C. where they live. David serves as intern pastor in Surry at the Turning Point Community Church. They are involved in numerous ministries including McLauren International Ministries which reaches out to the community, holds "Jesus Festivals" in India, provides leadership training and leads field trips to the local temples. David took us to a Sikh Temple where we had lunch with approximately 100 Indo-Indians. This gave us a greater understanding of how difficult it is for Sikhs to leave their belief because their belief and culture is so intertwined. Canada Day was on a Sunday and we had the privilege of worshipping with them and observing the commissioning of David and some of the church members for their trip to Fiji and Australia.



#### PRAY FOR:

- The multi-cultural and McLauren International ministries that they lead
- Shirley as she reaches out to moms and participates in Project Hannah by networking, encouraging and praying with other female missionaries
- Funding and other leadership for the 2008 Jesus Festival to be held in India

## UPDATES

Many of you have been visited and encouraged by **Steve and Elza Terrell**, who are friends of MGF, as they travel across the United States in their motor home. This year they have visited **Elwin and Arleah Fitch, Shawn and Karen Coleman, Rose, Ed and Flossie Waltner, Carol Rosseau, Bob and Mildred McClain, Paul and Cindy Peck, John and Trish Milloway and Virginia Farley**. If you have not had the opportunity to meet Steve and Elza, we pray that they will also be able to visit you in the future.

At the time of creating this publication, **Lynnae Obermiller** had been transferred from the hospital where she spent seven weeks to the San Diego Rehabilitation Institute for five days of intensive therapy. The doctors have not been able to make a definite diagnosis, but do know that she has a growth in her brain stem and the eight MRI's that have been administered to her indicate that it is increasing in size. Those working with her are in the process of looking for a facility where she could be moved. You may send cards of encouragement to her at **P. O. Box 2682, El Cajon, CA 92021** and she definitely appreciates your continued prayer support.



**Jaymi Farley** is now enrolled at the University of Idaho in Boise and continues to have a positive attitude toward life.

**David Fitch**, son of Elwin and Arleah Fitch has Valley Fever, but is able to work a normal work day.

**Santos Rivera** continues to tolerate the chemo therapy he is receiving every four weeks and teaches classes in the Spanish Theology Seminary ( a seminary without walls). Pray for Adam Suter from Spain as he seeks God's will in joining Santos in teaching in the Seminary.

**Ruth McDade** is having memory and disoriented difficulties. Pray for her daughter, Ruthie, and her family as they care for her on a 24 hour basis.

**Gladys Moreno** will begin chemo therapy for her bone cancer in the near future. Pray that her blood count will stay up. Praise the Lord that she is experiencing no pain.