



S.E.A.R.C.H. RESULTS®

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The Highways & Hedges

Dear Family,

The space of one newsletter can never be enough to express the wonderful things the Lord is doing this year 2011 despite the challenges and subtle attacks of

Christ's arch enemy. Since we have dedicated ourselves fully to beginning the S.E.A.R.C.H. community it seems the opportunities for progressing

in the work have been many and Jesus Himself has been guiding and protecting us from discouragement and fatigue.

Two families have firmly taken a stand to unite with us in all

for the advancement of the work on a full time schedule, others are praying for God to give them courage and determination.

Resources are few but all are in harmony

that this is the next step God would have us to take. We have not formed a "ministry" so to speak but God is forming a community of believers who are seeking to be

one in faith and truth and practice for the salvation of souls.

Several young people have demonstrated their desire to participate and learn and are already active with us in weekly Bible study efforts in another community. Every week fifteen to twenty brethren and new believers gather and travel using eight to twelve motorcycles. This is all organized by Yonny who was of the first to be baptized as a result of T.L.C. Bible work in 2009. Yonny is now head elder in His church, has a strong faith in the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy due to his healthy study and devotional habits and is spear heading all the evangelistic work he can handle.

Recently Yonny invited me and several others to visit a distant mountain village called Beautiful River. Even though Beautiful River is in our same Municipality it took us two hours two reach there by motorcycle. We found a large community of subsistence farmers who were sadly ignorant of all religious truth. They were very welcoming and receptive. It seemed that they had never had anyone preach Christ to them in all their lives. Our new challenge is to meet the demands of the new facility, maintain the evangelism in the first two communities we are working and now return quickly to our friends in Beautiful River before false gospel teachers



Above: Yonny with various youth of the weekly Bible study team preparing to make the trip from one community to another to bring the everlasting gospel. Right: Some of the same group earnestly praying for wisdom and for the Spirit of God before going out to work. Below Left: One of many homes within the mountains where the people have never heard anything of the gospel truth & are waiting to learn. Pay close attention to the vast range of mountains in the background. The mountains are speckled with the homes of those who have never heard the last message of mercy for these times.



reach them with error to endanger their salvation. Please pray for Yonny that he, his wife Sandra, (who was also baptized early 2010) and four girls (three of which have also made personal decisions to be Christ's witnesses, might be able to overcome the obstacles that impede them from joining us full time in our Masters service through the S.E.A.R.C.H. community.

As I meditate on the wonderful Providences of God I am deeply impressed with the following words from Inspiration that have been like a lamp for our feet.



...In this mountain region are many souls who need the truths of the third angel's message. Under the influence of the Holy Spirit we are to proclaim the truth for this time among these settlements in the mountains and valleys. Its solemn warnings are to be echoed and re-echoed. And the message must come to the people quickly; it must be given line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little and there a little. Without delay wise and intelligent men and women should engage in the work of sowing the gospel seed. . . . The Lord will work through those who will open the

Scriptures to the people who have made their homes in these retired places of the country. I appeal to my brethren and sisters to unite in doing this good work, and carry it to completion. . . .

The reason why I call your attention to Lakeport (Northern California) and its surrounding settlements is that these places have not yet received a right impression regarding the truth for this time. It may be that among our people there are those who will consent to use their means for the opening of missionary fields...

I have much to say in regard to these settlements in the mountains... Will not our people work more faithfully in the highways and hedges?

There are many of our people who, if they would go out of the cities and begin to labor in these byways, and also highways, would recover physical health. I urge our brethren to go out as missionaries, two and two, to these country places. Go in humility. Christ has given an example, and the Lord will certainly bless the efforts of those who will move out in the fear of God, bearing the message the Saviour gave to the first disciples, "The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you." Evangelism pp. 50, 51

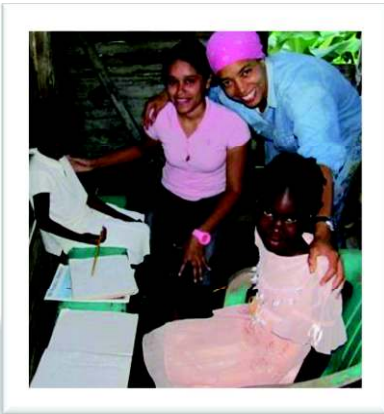
I was shown this same place at another time. I saw two Bible workers seated in a family. With the open Bibles before them, they presented the Lord Jesus Christ as the sin-pardoning Saviour. Their words were spoken with freshness and power. Earnest prayer was offered to God, and hearts were softened and subdued by the softening influence of the Spirit of God. As the Word of God was explained, I saw that a soft, radiant light illuminated the Scriptures, and I said softly, "Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled." Evangelism 457

These workers were not boastful but humble and contrite in heart, realizing always that the Holy Spirit was their efficiency. Under its divine influence, indifference was dispelled, and an earnest interest was manifested. The precious light was communicated from neighbor to neighbor. Family altars which had been broken down were again erected, and many were converted to the truth. Evangelism p 458

Above Left: Though they can't be seen in the photo for the distance, all along these mountains ranges are homes of simple farmers who are waiting to hear the words of truth. One by one we must reach them all. **Below Right:** Here Glenice has been studying with Elizabeth for more than two years and was recently baptized during a week of prayer.



It Is Written In the Prophets, and They Shall Be All Taught of God John 6:45



While waiting and praying these four years for God to send workers to do what was too big for us to do ourselves God had already taken over the education of those young people among us who have desired to be trained in His service. Though there has been no official “building” until now our young people have been receiving an all-around education by seeking to learn so that they can impart. Though the younger are weaker and more inclined to vacillate, the older are setting an example of dedication and consecration. Yinete, (baptized early last year) is courting Yesel (Baptized in 2009) and instead of dedicating her thought on that one theme has made an effort to prepare herself as a missionary educator. She is currently teaching the Spanish language to Haitian children and encouraging them to give their

lives to Jesus.

Yesel and others of the young men who are not directly involved in evangelism are helping to build the new facility, gaining knowledge that they may be able to apply in their future service to the King. We can now see God has been preparing the workers right among us all along. We pray that Yinete and Yesel will be a blessing to the work in this part of the field as they unite their energies in missionary service. One can only imagine what the real potential of these young people is once they have received organized instruction and the full power of the Holy Spirit.

Students, go out into the highways and hedges. Endeavor to reach the higher as well as the lower classes. Enter the homes of the rich as well as the poor, and as you have opportunity, ask, "Would you be pleased to have us sing some gospel hymns?" Then as hearts are softened, the way may open for you to offer a few words of prayer for the blessing of God. Not many will refuse to listen. Such ministry is genuine missionary work. Counsels to Teachers, pp. 547, 548 True education is the preparation of the physical, mental, and moral powers for the performance of every duty; it is the training of body, mind, and soul for divine service. This is the education that will endure unto eternal life. Christ's Object Lessons p 330



True education is missionary training. Every son and daughter of God is called to be a missionary; we are called to the service of God and our fellow men; and to fit us for this service should be the object of our education.

Above Left: Yinete with Elizabeth in the midst of instructing her young Haitian pupils. **Above Right:** Some of our young people learn “hands on” how to square and align the cement blocks while in the process of preparing the building where they will learn the theory of various subjects

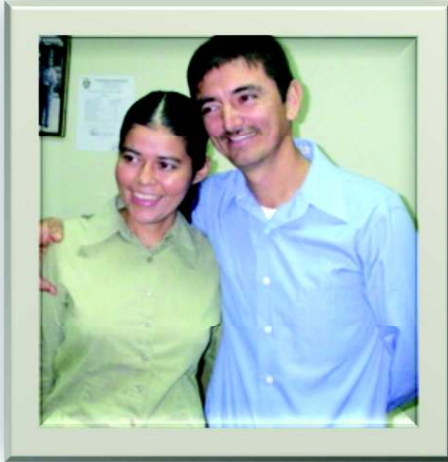
...He who strives to obtain knowledge in order that he may labor for the ignorant and perishing, is acting his part in fulfilling God's great purpose for mankind. In unselfish service for the blessing of others he is meeting the high ideal of Christian education.

The Lord calls for strong, devoted, self-sacrificing young men and women, who will press to the front, and who, after a short time spent in school, will go forth prepared to give the message to the world. Christian Service p 64

Help Comes From Afar

For the months of May and June the Lord has seen fit to send us help from the country of Honduras. After praying for God's guidance Jorge and Teresa Muñoz felt impressed to come and share some of their talents with us here in the Dominican Republic for the next two months. Jorge and

Teresa were married this past November and are praying now for exactly what the Lord would have them to do as couple. They are both very special friends of ours and we are thankful to Jesus for permitting this opportunity. Jorge is a metal worker and is very knowledgeable in construction. Teresa has excellent publishing skills and has many years working with youth in Christian ministry. Both assisted in the education of young men in Honduras with the Maranatha Medical Ministries over the past three years. Please include them both in your prayers that they will be spiritually edified from the time here and that they would be another link in God's great plan for His work here in DR.



Left: Jorge and Teresa

Thank You

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As always, we thank you all for trusting in T.L.C. and allowing the Lord to use you to make our small work possible. However if you really wish to help us prosper please pray earnestly for our family that we may be made fit vessels of the Holy Spirit's power and encourage others to pray for us as well. T.L.C. We are praying for you & your family as well.



Left: Young people laying the first line of block on the freshly poured foundation. Middle: Elizabeth tries to work with the wheel barrel for a moment. Right: The breathtaking view of the cloud filled valley below Beautiful River at 6:15 am.