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- * Souls Saved
- * Church Planting
- * Feeding Ministry
- * Children's Home
- * Lauri's Health
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The Importance of Evangelism!!

In 2 Kings chapter 7 four starving lepers went forth to the camp of the Syrians who had besieged their city. It was abandoned and full of provision. They ate and drank until **THEY** were full. *"Then they said one to another, We do not well: this is a day of good tidings, and we hold our peace...."* Those men went and told their city the good news and it was saved!

We have been given the Good News of Jesus Christ. We cannot only eat and be filled ourselves. We **MUST** take it to those that are dying spiritually so that they too may be saved.

We have a **UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY** with the Ngäbe Indians. They come here from some of the most remote parts of their reservation for only a few month during the coffee harvest. I have been asked why we spend so much time and money on people who are just going to



Peñas Blancas on the reservation in Panama. The families that stay next to our house during the coffee harvest live 1 to 3 days walk from here.

leave and not build our church. The answer is that I can't go where they live. But, they come to me! We have the opportunity to take the Gospel to areas where you have to walk days to enter by evangelizing the people that live in those places while they are present with us!



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Praise God for Special Guests!

Pastor Javier Santos was able to visit us from Panama. He preached on Sunday and we made plans for the upcoming coffee harvest. We talked about his desire to send Ngäbe pastors into areas of their reservation where there is not a church. We also discussed the need for a mission on the border of Panama and Costa Rica to reach out to the Ngäbe as they cross into and out of the country during their annual migration.



Please pray for the towns of Llano Largo and Alto Loro on the reservation that the Lord will open the door in each of these areas to preach the Gospel. Also, that He will give us an opportunity to evangelize at the border.

Plan B

In our last prayer letter we expressed the need for a second children's home and feeding center. An adjacent property was available but we did not raise enough of a down payment to keep the payments within budget. However, God had a plan B. Essentially, instead of buying another property, we are going to re-purpose the facilities we already have. The yellow and green cabins that we formerly only used for groups will be **renovated** to serve as the children's home. We will also be converting the ground floor of the blue cabin into a commercial kitchen and **constructing** the feeding center onto the front of the cabin.

The amount of money that we did raise will be used to renovate the cabins and build the **basic structure** of the feeding center. We will still need to finish out the area we are constructing with windows, doors, tables, sinks, storage and a handicap bathroom. The cost of finishing out the structure and equipping the kitchen will be roughly \$8000. Please pray for God's provision. However, when finished, we will have facilities to serve the same purpose as the other property but **without an additional mortgage!**



The new children's home! Girls in the yellow, boys in the Green

Even though we are using the cabins that formerly housed groups **we will still be able to host groups** for short term missions trips. Our facilities can still house a small group of 8 to 10 people. However, a lady in town has made her cabins available to us allowing us to accommodate larger groups.

Your Servant in Costa Rica,