



The Willis Family

Missionaries to Panama

Three Conferences

in three months!

July 31, 2009

Dear Friends

It has been a wild three months! We trust that you have had a great a time as God has given us here in Panama these past three months. We thank you so much for your faithful giving that allows us to invest our money in the Lord's work so that we can be doing all that God has allowed us to do these past three months. Sorry for not writing sooner, but I have just not stopped long enough to do so, and anyone that has been with me will agree.

The **LADIES CONFERENCE** was in the month of May and my wife always does a great job organizing this conference. We had a Pastor's wife from California come and speak to the ladies and she (Mrs. Salazar) was a wonderful blessing. There were over 500 ladies in attendance and most of these ladies were from our own area. The **MENS CONFERENCE** was in the month of June just a few days before Father's Day. A Hispanic Pastor from Florida came to preach. We had over 300 men attend this Conference and 75 men were saved and 35 were baptized. I wish we had as many men as we have ladies, but at least we had more salvations and baptisms...Ha!

Our **STEWARDSHIP MISSIONS CONFERENCE** was in the month of July. Our folks are growing in their faith as they commit to giving their tithes to the Lord and giving by faith to Missions (\$1,500.00 a month), and Building fund (\$800.00 a month). We had a preacher from San Luis Potosí, Mexico come and preach this conference. As a result of this conference our people decided to buy me a new car, since I receive no support from the church here! Our people also gave a "One Weeks Salary for God" offering and over \$4,000.00 were raised on one Sunday. This is the average amount that comes in during a whole month! Pray God will bless those that give and that more give.

We Need a New Building!

We have been averaging around 600 to 700 people in our church for the past four years. We have two services on Sunday mornings, two children's churches and over 35 Sunday School classes in, behind, and in front of our building. Our auditorium is around 85% full every time we have a service. We need to buy around two acres to be able to build a 600 seat auditorium and have the offices and classrooms we need. Humanly speaking, there is no way we can afford to do this as a church, but we know we have a mighty God who will provide. No banks in Panama will loan money to any church and the project we have ahead of us is no less than one million dollars. Please pray God will provide us with the property and the building we need to keep on growing in attendance.

We have **FOUR BUSES** which were given to us that are still in Tennessee. It will cost us at least \$4,000.00 to get each bus to Panama. Pray we can sell two of the buses we have here so we can have the money to bring the other four down. Once we have our new building we will need to have at least 14 buses for all the routes we run.

Our **BIBLE COLLEGE** is half way through the year and we have at least four graduates this year. Pray for them!

In His Service,

Thank you for the support received in: May. \$ _____; Jun. \$ _____; Jul. \$ _____

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