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PLEASE MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO VISIT US DURING OUR FIELD CONFERENCE JANUARY 15-19, 2007, HERE IN GUADALAJARA MEXICO

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Greetings From Beanland:

As they say in North Carolina, "I went 'n' broke my laig." Or they might even say, "I dun broke my laig." Putting all colloquialisms aside, that is exactly what I did! I dun broke my laig!

Just after the Bible College year ended and before summer classes begin, we decided to go to the border, change papers on our van, and take a few days off. Missionary Jack Henderson and I wanted to go into central and northern Texas to hand out gospel tracts and visit a couple of antique auto shows. While there, we found a wonderful shopping center located on 27 acres of land in a remote and sparsely populated area south of Austin. We enjoyed a wonderful day of shopping in "Johnny's Junk Yard."

Although not bargains, I found several pieces for my old 1950 Chevy. Those junkyard workers can use more bad words in three minutes that most people can even think about using in an entire lifetime. Now I know why junkyard dogs are so mean. It is because of the company they keep! Why would I put something like this in a prayer letter? Because it is interesting and important, that's why. We had the opportunity to witness to them and they even seemed interested. While he was taking a radio out of an old car for me, I talked to the owner for more than an hour. When we got back to the sales room, I asked how much I owed for the pieces I got. The owner answered, "Nothing." I asked him, how much he would usually charge for the pieces. He told me the price and I said, "That is exactly the amount I will pay." It was closing time and they were about to go home when I asked if he had any modern cars because I needed a gas tank for my son's automobile. He answered, "I don't like modern cars and only have one 90's car in the entire junk yard. It would have to be a miracle. All I have is a little 1993 Ford station wagon LX." I told him, "I believe in miracles as that is exactly the gas tank I need!" The place was closed but all the workers went out and took the tank off for me! They might not have gotten saved but when we left the owner said, "I have never known anybody like you guys."

The next day, Delia and I came back to Mexico but the government only gave us permission for 15 days for our vehicle. We got home late that night and the next morning I decided to be nice to my wife because after all, she let me go to my favorite shopping center (the junk yard) and didn't even want to go shopping with me! I was taking a laundry basket full of clothes to the washing machine. That is when I went n' broke my laig. Women's work is dangerous! I may never do it again!

I now have 12 poor kids who want to go to camp and have money for 8 of them. The cost is \$50 each and I believe the Lord will give us the money for the other 4 kids.

Special prayer request: Please be in prayer for Carolyn Parker, wife of Pastor Randy Parker of Greenfield, IN. Mrs. Parker will undergo very serious surgery sometime this month.

In THE CIRCUMFERENCE OF HIS MATCHLESS LOVE, WE ARE:
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Attachment from Arteaga and Ramirez families:

We want to thank the Sardis Missionary Baptist Church in Hammond, IN, for their financial gift and all of you who sent the cards of encouragement for our boys. We especially want to thank the Zion Baptist Church kids of Lexington KY, for sending so many nice cards and family pictures.

News about the boys: Josiel has regained control of his bodily functions but Raul has not. Both boys are receiving 6 days per week of therapy, which leaves them exhausted. Josiel has 2 men who stand him up and another person directing his feet to help him do walking exercises. Raul does not have that strength but he is improving little by little. Please keep praying for them. They have not yet received a vehicle and we ask your prayers for that as well.

Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost.

Titus 3:5