



“First the bread, then the Bread of Life!”

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To Our Support Team:

Have you ever wanted something so bad--knew something was so right--or knew there was a call from God and a response or answer just could not be avoided? The best parallels we can think of are the Apostle Paul's desire to go to Spain or his Macedonian call or his destiny to take the Gospel to Rome. Crockett, Texas is that thing for us.

What does Crockett mean for the ministry of Agrimissions? It is the fulfillment of a 25-year vision and dream of ours and Larry Williams, the current director. Crockett will provide us that location to move Agrimissions to the next step and also provide that platform to continue the fulfilling of the purpose of Agrimissions which is to be an extension of field missionaries by providing training, services, and workers—serving those who serve.

Moving to Crockett does not diminish our responsibilities for international assistance, on the contrary, we continue to receive many requests; therefore, the challenge for us is to establish the ministry headquarters stateside while continuing to respond to these numerous requests—quite a feat- but a necessary task.

This is a new day for Agrimissions. We are moving into the 10th year of its ministry; therefore, it is extremely important that you stand with us so we can be certain the vision of Agrimissions will be fulfilled to share the gospel of Jesus Christ while meeting human need for daily bread.

So please continue to support the ministry of Agrimissions with your prayers and financial gifts as you partner with us in bringing “First the bread and then the Bread of Life”.

Strength and Courage,

Doug and Becky

Mission News and Updates from Easy Street

*** We have moved AGAIN! Hope you noticed our new address. After 38 years of marriage, we finally made it to Easy Street. It is great to be a part of the Crockett community and establish the headquarters of Agrimissions here in the “Paradise in the Pines”. And, NO we have not seen Davy Crockett.**

*** From the streets of Gonzanama, Ecuador, we read that on March 8th in the community of Mollipamba, eight new believers will be baptized. Among this group are Erica, Jennifer, and Jocelyn Pinta. If you remember, the Pinta family is the one we began the Bible study with back in 2006.**

*** Blankets from Alpine – Janice Smith, a member of the Alpine Methodist Women, attended when we spoke at 1st United Methodist Church back in November. She asked if we would have any use for blankets at the INNFA Center and of course, we said yes. So when we return to Gonzanama in March, we will take 9 beautiful little blankets to keep those babies warm.**

*** Packing for Ecuador – The end of March through April we will be in Ecuador to finalize the drip irrigation demonstration at the INNFA Center. Please pray for our travels and we will bring you a report in our June newsletter.**

*** Paraguay Small Farm Resource Center – Please pray for the appointment of a director for the center. We have taken over the task of getting the center up and running – a 3-year project. In August and September, we will be at the center to provide training for the new director and continue the installation of other projects.**

*** Stateside News – In January and February, we traveled to Tennessee, Georgia, and Kentucky assisting missionaries, universities, and churches concerning how agriculture in their urban settings can be a part of the mission of God. Pray for us, as we minister not only overseas but also in our own backyard.**

*** Celebrations – This year marks the 25th year of The Mission Society and the 10th year of Agrimissions. Join us as we give thanks for these ministries and that we are able to participate with them in the mission of God.**

*** Pray for our travel schedule – Over the next several months, we travel stateside to Mississippi, Texas, Kentucky, Georgia, and Tennessee, and internationally to Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, and possibly Ethiopia. Pray with us for safe travels and the finances to be able to travel there.**

*** On a personal note – Over the past several months, we have asked you to pray for our family. We want you to know that God has heard and answered your prayers. Thanks and may you be blessed. And as always, please let us know how we can pray for you.**

