

Repairers of ISAIAH 58: 1-12 BROKEN WALLS

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What do you do when you don't know where to begin . . .

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Clean the toilet! It needs it and you'll feel like you've gotten something done. That's what I do!

Do you ever feel like that? When the work piles up and the kids need attention and the house is a mess and the phone rings with someone needing something and the prayer letter hasn't been written in four months and there's only so much of you to go around. Do you ever wonder what Jesus was thinking when He said "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."?

Recently, we had the honor of hosting our friend and brother Mario Espinoza from Nicaragua for nine days. Now that's a man

with a burden. He oversees more than 4000 pastors as president of the Evangelical Council of Nicaragua. He gets the calls when an area floods or a pastor dies. He also planted a church that started a free school for the community's children which now has 300+ students. He visits the families when their homes flood during the rains and he brings clothing and help along with the Good News of Jesus. He feels it in his gut when there's no money to buy the rice and beans for school lunches. Those are burdens that we don't classify as "light," but Jesus told us . . .

Within the next three months, we'll take three teams to the CasaHogar in Sabinas Hidalgo, Mexico. There, Mario and Blanca wear the yoke of caring for

28 children and seven adults. They hear of abuse, neglect and savagery and they see the scars left on the children. They have to keep a roof over their heads and food in their mouths and hope in their hearts. Does that qualify as "easy?" Yet Jesus said . . .

But there's another passage that talks about burdens. Galatians 6:2 says "carry each other's burdens and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." Whether it be in Nicaragua, Mexico, across the street, or anywhere else in this world, we can share the yoke and carry the burden and thus "fulfill the law of Christ." Thanks for being "burden bearers" with us. Working together, Christ will be honored, the Church will be built, and the world will see the Truth of the Good News.

Pastor Mario's Burdens in Nicaragua

Pastor Mario Espinoza has a Type A personality. He works hard, cares much, and loves deeply. RBW has worked with Mario for over 8 years and we know his integrity and his heart. It's our joy to partner with him in his passion to build the pastors up and to reach his country with the Gospel.

We invite you to join us in the work in Nicaragua. Teams are needed to work with pastors in construction,

evangelism and outreach. Teachers and volunteers can help at the school. Of course, financial gifts are needed, too.

Where could you help?



In Loving Memory



Dr. Thomas Kyle

Born: 1936

Reborn: 1953

Entered Heaven: Jan '09
Faithful servant of the Lord
husband, dad, friend,
mentor, teacher, pastor,
missionary, evangelist,
RBW Board member

Different Statistics to Consider - just a few tidbits.

Number of people living in the USA. **306 Mil.**

%-age of US households with a computer. **62%** 2003 stat

%-age of Americans who own a car. (2000 stat) **57%**

%-age of people in Mexico with a car. **6.9%**

Average amount of fiber consumed by Americans in 1 day **15 grams**

Percentage of cocaine that comes into the US via Mexico. **90%**

Predicted populations of America in the year 2050. **439 Mil.**

Adopt-A-Pastor Sponsoring Info

- American partners choose to support a pastor with \$25, \$50, or \$75 a month commitments.
- Nicaraguan pastors write letters every six months to keep partners informed.
- AAP is about being co-laborers for Christ, working together.

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*God's people working
together to speed His return*

News of Drug Wars and Swine Flu Cause Fear for Travelers to Mexico

If you listen to the news these days, you'll hear a lot about Mexico and the warnings of danger for travelers with plans to visit our neighboring country. For those who are planning trips to Mexico with us, we want you to know that we are keeping a close eye on things and we're in communication with our contacts at the border and in Mexico at the ministry sites. At this time, our plans are to go ahead with the scheduled trips. Our contacts have reassured us of safety and calm in their areas.

Please pray for the country of Mexico as they deal with this crisis. Pray for us and the teams that we would be wise and faithful servants who walk in obedience to the Lord's call. Pray for open hearts of the people in Mexico and for opportunities to minister to their spiritual, emotional, physical, and social needs. And pray for peace for parents.

Moving the office of Repairers of Broken Walls to South Dakota?

Speaking of bearing burdens, here's a personal one. For a few years we've been praying about moving our home and the ministry office of RBW to be closer to one of our families. Both sets of parents are getting older—strange as that may seem, and we feel strongly that since we're located in the US and the office is mobile, we could be helping one of them in addition to working the ministry. As we've prayed, we sensed the Lord releasing us to pursue a move and so we are. Huron, SD seems to be the place of His direction. Nothing is going to happen tomorrow, or next month, but we would ask for your prayers to help us discern the right time and to be able to prepare everything for this potential change. There are many considerations and a lot of "stuff" that has to be cared for before a move could take place—but we trust the Lord to direct our steps and to lead us to the place He desires for us and this ministry. We would ask you to join with us in this work of prayer. Our goal is not for greater comfort, but to glorify God, honor our parents, and minister faithfully wherever He would plant us. Thanks for sharing this burden with us.

Other burdens needing some bearing. . . .

Teams to help and encourage are needed all over. Here are some places that we'd like to ask you to consider being "burden bearers."



Pastor Jose Ramirez lives in La Laguna but travels 5 kilometers up and down a mountain

on foot everyday to minister in the village of Catarina, Nicaragua. He has requested help to build a small home beside the church so that he and his wife could live there. Health problems have been worsened by the difficult daily travels and a place to live close to the church would allow them greater community exposure.



Pastor Juan Carlos Peralez and Liliana minister in the megacity of Monterrey, Mexico at the Alfa and Omega Alliance Church. Their family has lived in the parsonage attached to the church for 16 years and they've finally been able to buy a tiny house to call their own. They need a team of guys to help put a second floor on so there will be room for them to live in it.

Visit rbwmissions.com to find out more about these team needs.

We met Pastor Roman Perez and his wife Nila last year in Ocotol, Nicaragua. After interviewing them and praying with them, they were added to our Adopt-A-Pastor list. Though wasting away physically, they were being renewed inwardly and were excited about serving Jesus. Last week we heard that Roman passed into the Lord's presence and Nila is continuing on alone in the work they've shared for 25 years.

Nilia is just one example of a number of pastors who could use the help of a team of brothers and sisters to come alongside them and help with lovingkindness, construction, prayers, and outreach.

