

January 2009

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ;

We pray that the historic year of 2009 has started out good for you. In the times that we live, we find it evermore evident that our steadfast love for the Lord will be the only thing that will get us through the financially tough times that lay ahead for us. In spite of what we may have to face, we know one thing for sure, nothing has changed in Heaven. The Word of God (Matt. 28:19-20) is still relevant for today and no matter what, we must carry the gospel.

Honduras-Pastor Alberto Herrera

Since the year 1993 we have had the privilege of working with Pastor Alberto. Throughout the years, his work has grown from services being held in the prison to establishing a church in the community. Alfa Omega Baptist Church now has 4 extension churches. This past year we took 7 men representing 5 different churches on a mission trip to encourage and preach the gospel. After this trip a radio program has been started which airs 6 nights a week where Pastor Alberto reports that there have been many salvations.



Africa- Rwanda & Mozambique



In January of '08 Melba took a mission trip to Rwanda where she was blessed to take part in ministering to widows that are victims of the '94 genocide. This trip was unlike any other trip that FH had taken. The purpose was to train these ladies in occupations where they will be able to provide for themselves and their families. Before they went, the team learned how to shear sheep and spin wool in order to teach the widows and to bring this trade back to Rwanda after it had been lost as a result of the genocide. At this time they have also been provided with a solar bakery which is sustaining the families in that area.

Charlie took 5 FH team members to Mozambique in July of '08. This was an evangelistic effort with an objective to start a church. God placed the right people in our path and we are excited to share with you that a Morning Chapel Baptist Church has been started in Maxixe with Dionisio Chico as the Pastor. God was good and many souls were birthed into the Kingdom as we showed the Jesus film nightly and gave invitation.

Philippines '08

Charlie returned to the Philippines in time to attend the second year anniversary of the New Beginnings Church in Surigao City, on the island of Mindanao. The church is under attack by the enemy but in spite of all of that, the people are more united than ever. Our goal for '09 is to build a modest church building on the land that was purchased two years ago. We have been waiting on the Lord for His timing concerning this project and after Charlie returned home we got the word that the men of the church offered to provide the labor for the building and the poles have been donated. For around \$7,000.00 we can have a church building that the members can be grateful for, where they can worship in their community. During Charlie's almost three month stay there were 3 new extension churches started. These are all in the Surigao Providence. As of the third Sunday in January, there have been a reported 411 people in attendance at the 3 new mission churches as well as the Church that John Kinsey pastors and New Beginnings Fellowship Baptist Church-Sabang combined.



PRISON MINISTRY

Texas Prisons:

We are so grateful to Gary and Debbie Nixon for coordinating all the prison dates for FH. Without them the ministry would be crippled. Words could never express our gratitude to them. **On any given month there are more than 50 services held in state prisons and county jails.**



Honduras Prison:

Pastor Alberto conducts two services a week in Danli Prison.

Philippine Prison:

John Kinsey conducts weekly services in the City Jail and the Providence Jail in Surigao City.



Pastors Supported

There are 19 National pastors, evangelist and ministers being supported by & through FH in the Philippines, Honduras and Africa. Here you can see some of the pastors being fed at the Mission House in the Philippines which we will have to vacate at the end of February. On the island of Cebu a radio program is being sponsored by FH since the year 2003 and over seen by Nolan Diaz.



Sandi Chester Feeding Program

Inaugurated in 2007, this program is feeding between 30-70 malnourished children at any given time. They are being monitored by the City Health Department and headed up by Dr. Lina Dumale, FH Medical Coordinator. This past school year there have been three different areas where children are being fed.



FH Monthly Medical Clinics

Each month FH partners with City Health personnel to conduct free medical and dental clinics in the poorest Barangays (villages). An evangelistic message is preached, lost folks receive the Lord and they are encouraged to attend a Bible believing church in their area. Proper teeth cleaning is taught by Dr. Lina and toothbrushes are distributed. In Oct. of '08 FH was invited to team up with the City Health and the United Nations to give treatment to 16 patients who had been diagnosed with Filariasis (Elephantiasis). FH was responsible for feeding a healthy meal, required for the treatment to work, for 12 days.



Col Sawan

Col. Ramon Sawan, Regional Director of the National Police Academy, has started 11 schools in poor Muslim areas. He offers free schooling to elementary children and employs only Christian teachers. They are exposed to the truth as they get the free education. We have had opportunity to preach at these academies and ministry with him throughout Mindanao.



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Charlie is available for pulpit supply, revivals or to share about the ministry.

Director & Founder
Charlie Sickles

2009 Schedule

March 6-May 7...Charlie returns to the Philippines

June 8-18...Medical Mission team to Philippines; cost: \$2,300.00
Deposit of \$250.00 due ASAP or no later than Feb. 16th.

Late July...Evangelistic team Honduras.

Late August...Church Planting team Mozambique, Africa