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Greetings to all of you who support us through prayer, friendship and finances. We want to update you on what is happening here in Cabo San Lucas.

We know that it has been awhile since we last wrote. Of course, that is normal for us as we are not ones to write often, but we do think of you throughout the year and what you mean to us and our ministry here. We could not do it without your love, support and prayers.

We will have been here 11 years this coming January. The journey to get here seemed like it took forever, but now that we are here it seems that time is flying by so fast. We are amazed that God has kept us going and providing for us in every way. We have seen many changes since coming here. The basic things such as better services in shopping, more gas stations, city water and sewer available, faster Internet which makes communication so much easier and on and on. More important is the growth of churches and those within those churches.

When we first came down we worked with teams, taking them to serve local pastors and their congregations. We usually worked with the same 5 or 6 pastors, mainly because there were not that many small churches. Now, we are increasingly seeing new church starts than ever before. We are seeing some of the bigger churches sending out mission pastors to work in the different small communities that are sprouting up quickly. Even though the economy has slowed down, including tourism, people are still coming here. Those who came when the economy was booming are not leaving and have settled down here. There are so many opportunities to reach these people with the Gospel.

Our Spanish is still not the best, even though we can have a conversation, so it is important to provide the tools for the pastors to be able to reach more people. Many of our pastors have never had a formal bible education. Most of you know that Gary had the opportunity to get his Master's Degree in Ministry back in 2010. He graduated and was given the opportunity to hold classes for pastors and laymen. He had the option of teaching all or part of the seven required classes or he could find other professors with Master Degrees to teach. He chose to find professors (even though he teaches when needed). We had 25 students the first year, 25 the second year (but that was with 2 different classes going on) and now we are in our third year. Gary decided to take the classes to San Jose del Cabo for 3 days and then 3 days here in Cabo. The professor that comes down has a long week, but we are amazed at how hungry these pastors are for learning. There were 25 or so in San Jose and the same in Cabo. We know that God is training these people for great things.

Many of you know of and supported Gary in his 500 mile Bike Ride this summer. His intent was to raise money for the school. He raised a third of what he hoped for but we truly appreciated all who helped. We charge 200 pesos per class, but that is still hard for them to come up with. The idea is to have enough funds each month to provide for plane tickets, hotel and food for the teachers who come down. Gary figures around \$500.00 each month.

We know how hard it is for everyone right now with the economy as it is and that is why we are so thankful for all of you who support us financially. We could not be here without you. We would be remiss at not saying that at times our support has gone down quite a lot, but we also know without a DOUBT that our support is from our Heavenly Father and He is the one who provides for us through you. We are not wanting to make anyone feel bad or guilty, just that we want you to know that our trust is in God, has always been in God, and always will be in God. We know that He knows what we need and what we do not need.

We are no longer running teams as the school takes most of our focus, but we still have many opportunities to help those in need in our community. I (Pam) have been asked to go to help at a Christian school here in Cabo to listen to the students who are learning English. They struggle knowing if they are pronouncing the words correctly so I will be doing that next year.

We spent this summer up in Colorado and had the pleasure of spending more time with our kids and grandkids. Our first grandson just turned 11 (he was born just a few months before we moved to Cabo) . Our second grandson is 7 1/2, our granddaughter is 6, our next grandson is 3 and our newest grandson is 5 months old. (I had the joy of being there for his birth, something I will always treasure). So time with Christopher, Blake, Jayden, Jonathan and Riley is the greatest gift I can have this season. Our youngest, Angie and her husband and two boys will be moving to England in the summer of 2013. They are missionaries with YWAM in Denver and are changing to the base in England. This is a hard time for us but we know their desire is to serve God wherever He takes them.

Please pray as both our vehicles are having costly problems. At least Gary has not hurt himself this year other than the usual scraps and bruises.

Well, we had better sign off for this year. THANK YOU AGAIN SO MUCH FOR YOUR LOVE - YOUR PRAYERS - YOUR FRIENDSHIP - YOUR SUPPORT. We could not do anything without you as our partners in this ministry.

May God bless you richly,

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