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Prayer Requests:

- ♦ Health & strength
- Lasting ministry effectiveness
- Another resident missionary
- Protection on the roads
- ◆ Evangelistic Health Fairs
- ♦ New Church in Loreto
- Microfinancing Program
- Donor retention
- ♦ Increasing support needs

Praising God For:

- ♦ No need to retire just yet
- Successful eye surgery
- Protection on the road
- Provision of more helpers
- Provision of doctors & dentists
- ♦ Continuing financial support
- ♦ Open doors in the Prison
- ♦ CHIMP (Charities Impact Fdn.)
- ♦ P. & S. Ministries Society
- ♦ God's love, mercy, grace



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Doing more..., with more help...

"You didn't choose me, remember; I chose you, and put you in the world [*Baja Sur, Mexico*], to bear fruit..." [John 15:16] "And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation. So we are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us..." [II Corinthians 5:19-20] "Since God has so generously let us in on what he is doing, we're not about to throw up our hands and walk off the

No! - We are not

Retiring...

Unfortunately we did not explain ourselves well in our recent Newsletters and Reports... We do believe that we need to be conscious of our age, as we are now in our "tercera edad"- Spanish for, 'we are now in our third stage of life... ' This is the stage where one is supposed to stop doing 'heavy lifting', and in many areas of life to start a slowing down process, as well as passing wisdom and responsibilities on to others. So this is what we have started.

Only one activity we've stopped, and that is the January Course that has been held at our home the last four years - a three-week 'Christian Economic Development Course.' It has been a Course offered for credit by Messiah College (Pennsylvania) for twelve students. They've come and lived with us for 12 days..., and while we were not responsible for all the teaching, it has been a very exhausting endeavor for us - even though a very worthwhile course for the 48 students who have taken it over these past four years. (How -ever at the same time as saying we are stopping to offer this Course..., there is a Reunion in Loreto being planned for this coming year for the 48 students who have taken it.)

Our evangelistic health fairs will continue this coming year, although with others taking on more of some

of the responsibilities. We are very glad to now have Odi and Chava on the team, doing some of the 'heavy lifting' for me - as well as pitching in wherever else is needed. Eliana also wants to be more regular, helping us wherever needed as well. An-



Don & Lorraine bring 'Get Hope Global' to Mexico - a 'Microfinancing Program' for

Last year we announced that we were starting an '*English Church*' in Loreto, (although as mentioned before it is not a '*legal*' church...).

Our 'English Worship Services' are held in one of the restaurants called 'The Backyard' so we have named it: 'Sunday in The Backyard'... This past year we have had 5 - 40 people at our Sunday Services, and less at our weekly Bible Studies, but it is meeting needs - so all the work that is put into, I believe is worth it...

In November a meeting was held in one of the churches in Loreto to present 'Get Hope Global' and the 'microfinancing training program' that they could offer to struggling women. We were impressed with it, as were others, and we became involved as a result. We have one teacher at this time, teaching the program to a small group of ladies. And we have given each one a loan of \$5,000 pesos. Over the coming months they will start businesses, receive continuing education and counsel.., and pay back their loans. The teaching is all from the Rible

Please continue to pray for us..., and if you are able to support us in these ministries, (and we do need more support...), please send us an email and we'll be glad to add you to the list of those who receive our Monthly Newsletters and Reports.



Don & Lorraine will be celebrating their <u>50th Wedding Anniversary</u> on October 28, 2017. This event will take place in Loreto, so put a note on your calendars now, and plan some vacation time in Loreto. We'd love for you to come and see firsthand what we've been sharing with you over the years. We'll be sending out more information, but know there will be <u>a Special Event on October 28</u>, as well activities before

Thank you so much... May God indeed bless you richly...