

## INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES HOTLINE – March 12, 2009

**MEXICO:** Missionaries Del and Joy Brown continue to take language classes in Rio Rico, Arizona, while working with the McConnells in various ministries across the border in Mexico. Joy writes, “We really have enjoyed the teams that come; precious people who give up a whole week of their time and money to come and give. Del and I are blessed to be a part of that! There has been much concern with the teams over what’s going on in Mexico. A couple of teams have cancelled their trips. ... The country of Mexico really is in desperate need of intercession. It is so sad that a few really corrupt people can run the whole country. Because of the lack of tourists, our bad economy, [and] the fighting of the drug lords, the people we minister to are in great need.” Pray for the people the Browns and McConnells reach out to minister to – the children’s ministry in Imuris, the women’s prison in Nogalas, the rehab ranch near Nogalas, and several churches. Pray for God’s continued move even during this difficult time.

**INSTE:** Drs. Nick and Leona Venditti will return from Taiwan tomorrow after spending two weeks teaching at a Bible school. They have also made connections with people from mainland China who are interested in the INSTE materials in Mandarin Chinese. Nick writes, “As we are in Taiwan, the Lord is preparing INSTE for the next big thrust, which is China. God is knitting our hearts with some of the brethren here. In addition, we have met a pastor who leads a congregation in China. She is telling us that the Church in China desperately needs sound doctrine. Others have told us the Church in China is at about 100,000,000. Please continue to pray for us for strength, wisdom and guidance.” The translation of the first book of INSTE into Mandarin Chinese is completed and the pilot group is underway in Oregon. Pray for this ongoing translation. Pray for God’s direction and provision for the INSTE programs around the world.

**EL SALVADOR:** Missionary Ada Hernandez writes that Ralph will have an MRI later this month because of numbness in his arm and leg and many headaches. The doctor thinks perhaps it is a pinched nerve. Pray for complete healing for Ralph so they can continue to minister to the churches in El Salvador. Pray also for the country of El Salvador as Sunday’s presidential elections are causing a lot of violence. No church services will be held Sunday. The U.S. Embassy has sent several notices to the Hernandezes to remain in their home. Pray for protection for Ralph and Ada and for peace for the country.

**MEXICO:** Executive Director Vince McCarty and Lois, his wife, will travel to Guadalajara, Mexico, on Saturday for a field planning trip. After meeting with the national board there, they will travel to Veracruz to meet with other members of the board and pastors. Pray for safe travel and God’s direction.

**TRINIDAD:** Field Director Dr. Andy Homer informs us about Harrinarine Dabideen, a board member of the Windsor Park Open Bible Church in Trinidad. Mr. Dabideen has a rare form of cancer in his neck and was advised by his doctors to go overseas for advanced medical help. He is currently receiving costly treatment in Dallas, Texas, and cannot go further unless the Lord provides. Please join many others in praying for the Lord’s miracle healing touch of God upon Mr. Dabideen.

**ARGENTINA:** The new INSTE director Hugo Romero reports a significant increase in students, bringing those currently studying in the INSTE program to about 200. The projection is that by July there will be at least 470 students. We praise God for the increase and also for the impact INSTE is having in preparing pastors and leaders for the work in Argentina.

*Please share the Hotline message with your congregation or with other interested individuals. Thank you for praying and caring. We’ll be in touch again next week on the International Ministries Hotline.*