Making Hispanic Ministry

Greetings from CHM Director David Byrne

One of the things that encourages me most about ministry is the way the body of Christ cares for its diverse members. Recently, in Bolivia, I was sharing with a young lady who learned that my daughter was serving as a church-planter in Aguascalientes, Mexico. It turned out that her parents had been recruited by Edwin and Marie Cammack to pray for that new community of believers and had been praying specifically for a



family that I knew. Bolivia is a long way from Mexico geographically, but not spiritually. Praise be to God for His care to each of us through each of us. We are so dependant on each other and on Him!

For any of us to be fruitful in ministry, we depend on those who will be supportive in prayer and in giving for God's specific works in the world. The Hispanic churches around the country rely on this partnership and, really, the English-speaking churches of this country also need that support from the rest of the body. It is not at all a one-way participation.

As we celebrate the blessing we have in Christ, let's remind ourselves to participate in that great privilege of mutual ministry. Pray for those who are around you in Christ's service and for those who are carrying out distinctive ministries that may never touch you directly. Remember that the many members of Christ's body can only accomplish God's purposes as we do it together.

Sharing with Bolivian Friends

Pastor Angel Díaz, of the Newberg Iglesia Amigos and also the executive secretary of AMANA joined Dr. David Byrne in Bolivia to share in a youth conference that was held to challenge the upand-coming leaders from several of the Evangelical Yearly Meetings to move toward greater commitment and service. It was a blessing to work



Some Bolivian Youth Conference Attendees

along with the EFCI leader for Latin America, Sabino Chipana, in addressing the needs of the young leaders. There was enthusiasm about their identity as servants of God and optimism about the work that God still wants to accomplish in Bolivia.

Instituto ALMA News

The Instituto ALMA continues to see fruit internationally as students join us from across the Americas. The improvements that Jerry Clarkson put in place provide the structure for students to join us over the internet to take advantage of this strategic training that focuses on relational growth in Christ more than on any "tricks" of ministry. Pray with us for the development of new courses in the coming year and for the students who will be expanding their Christian service.



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AMANA Conference

During the North American

Hispanic Friends gathering in Baltimore this year we were able to celebrate both the 15th Annual Conference of Hispanic Friends

and the 18th year since the Mendez family (Hermógenes and Bertha) began working diligently to plant the Baltimore church. It was a good time of celebration with an emphasis on Christian simplicity in response to the materialism in the world that has infiltrated the church. There were workshops, messages and times of sharing that will help set the tone for ministry in the coming year for the participating churches. Our thanks to the Baltimore Church for hosting the event. We look forward to meeting next year in Mexico City (Yes, indeed, check your geography, Mexico City is part of North America!) from the 9th to the 12th of August in 2012.



Baltimore: North American Hispanic Friends Conf.

How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity! (Psalm 133:1) It has been good and pleasant to see the Hispanic churches coming together in conferences and celebrations over the last months. The fellowship is sweet and the growth in numbers and maturity is exciting.

News and Prayer:

Special services in honor of Felipe Vásquez were held in September in Texas and October in Mexico with incredibly moving testimonies about his life and ministry. Pray for Susie Vásquez as she adjusts to life without her partner and for the Coahuila, Mexico Churches as they continue Felipe's legacy of service.

CHM is once again in need of your help as we close out this financial year. In spite of our cutbacks, we need our partners in Hispanic ministry to step forward to help as the Lord

Pray for the Byrne family and their ministries.

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