



Jeff & Christa Mills in Guatemala

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A SURPRISE 70th BIRTHDAY



Blowing out the BVB Candles.



The Quiche family.



The Jocotenango family

A day before my 70th birthday, Christa asked me whether I trusted her. I replied, "But of course"! "Then please put on your best suit and trust me"! Soon Christa drove me to a local hotel and as I got out of the car there was a camera and strong lights directed at me! We got out of the car and walked into the hotel where there were many people whom I had known over the past 25 years on the mission field. There were friends from living Water Ministries where we first started our mission, and also people from past churches that we helped to start. Also, there was my Spanish teacher and her family, whom I have known for many years, as well as my dentist, doctor and other friends. It was too much for me, and I wept! My daughter and son in law then spoke about our work and others too came and spoke. There was also a video from Germany where our director, Andreas Pestke and Eddi Riepl had a message for me, also, Brad Thurston, Ralf & Nicola Nietzsche, and my sister in law from Germany had a birthday message. It was truly overwhelming. We had a wonderful dinner and I received many birthday gifts. It was truly the best birthday of my life. Thank you to Christa, Antonia and Edwin for all you done and for keeping a secret from me! I loved it!



Spanish teacher family



Our family



Ciudad Vieja family

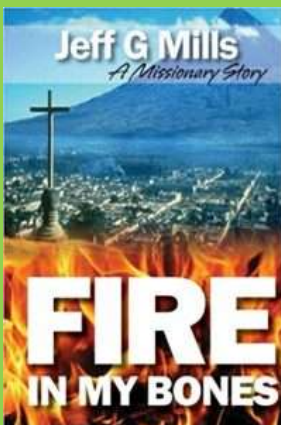
RETURN TO GERMANY

We are leaving the mission field here in Guatemala! Christa and I both feel it is time to return to Germany after 25 years of ministry, and we believe that the Lord will bless us in this decision. One of the main reasons for returning is Jeff's physical condition. Fifteen major operations on his spine and neck over the past 14 years have taken a toll on his body. He is not able to get around like he used to, even though he continues to share the gospel and preach in church. Health Insurance has stopped when he was 77 years young, but on return to Germany he will be covered once again. We now have 12 leaders in the church, two of them preach the Word, and so we feel that the church can now run without us. What hasn't been solved yet, and what will require a true miracle from God, is the financial independence of the church. Up to now, we have been paying the rent for everything to do with the church. God will just have to do something in this respect. We are praying and waiting on God, and we have spoken with the mayor of San Miguel Dueñas and asked for his help. The independence of the church is of course the most important priority for us. Secondly, we have to sell our house. When it becomes clear that both these things will be achieved then Christa and I will fly back to Germany for a few weeks to find a flat to rent and hopefully take out a contract starting 3 months later. Then it is back to Guatemala to pack! We will be leaving Globe Mission a few months after returning to Germany, and we hope to be able to continue our relationship with the churches that have supported us. Germany certainly is in need of the Gospel. We ask for your prayers in this time of a big change in our lives. The good news is that our daughter and son in law hope to follow not so long after us.

HELPS FUND – GERSON

As you are all aware, Gerson needs an operation to remove a growth inside his head. Before hand, he will need 3 treatments to shrink the blood vessels that will then be operated upon to stop the blood supply to this area altogether. The treatment and operation is going to cost over \$3,000. This way out of the reach of this family, so we ask you if you would like to donate towards his operation. Please send your donation to the address marked "Gerson", and also inform us by email – JeffMills@pobox.com of the amount you will donate. We thank you in advance.

BOOK



My first book, "Fire in my Bones – A Missionary Story" is now published and is available on Amazon in soft back and e-book. I hope to have this translated into German in the not too distant future.

PRAYERS

1. For the independence of our church.
2. For finding “the perfect home” in the “perfect place” in Germany.
3. For our move back to Germany.
4. For our health.
5. For our safety in this crime-ridden country.



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