

# Jeff & Christa Mills in Guatemala

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Christmas Greetings



Wishing you all a very merry Christmas, filled with family and friends, joy and peace. Jesus is the love of my life and I am so grateful for each and every day I get to spend talking and praying to Him. This will be for me a somewhat different Christmas without my wife Christa, but my daughter and son-in-law are making sure that we will have a great time together, along with my grandson Jeffrey. May you all have a wonderful celebration.

#### A LOOK BACK

Despite the covid, the church has grown in size, and only a very few have stayed away and not come back. The evangelism teams have been out sharing the Gospel in many houses and on the streets with people. Some of our services have been recorded and shown on the local cable telvison throughout the week. Our teenage group has continued to meet weekly and given Bible teaching, and sometimes just coming together and sharing. Led by our



pastor's wife Miriam, the young children have continued to meet in Sunday School.

The not so good news was the passing on to heaven of my beautiful wife Christa of covid/pneuomonia back in September, and the only member of our church to die of this awful sickness. It broke my heart, literally! My mourning has led to a number of minor heart attacks, and on the insistence of my daughter, she took me to the local clinic. Whilst they were checking me I had a further attack, and I was rushed to hospital by ambulance to Guatemala City where they operated on me to attempt to fit a stent. This was unsuccessful as my heart has been severely damaged and there is nothing more they can do but keep me alive on a cocktail of meds. I do not know how much longer I have to live. It could be a few weeks, a few months, a year. The specialist said there is nothing more they can do. I want you all to know that I have complete peace knowing that any day I could be with the Lord. But until then I will continue the ministry but at a much slower

pace. God is still on His Throne, and miracles still happen today. My faith is strong that God will extend my time on this earth. Just to finish on a good note: The Gospel was shared with my ward nurse who stood and listened.

#### **VICTORIA PROJECT**

The good news is that Victoria's house is now completed thanks to all of you! Glory be to God in the highest! She is extremely happy and so grateful to everyone who contributed towards the house. Victoria is a disabled widow, but is one amazing prayerful woman. I enclose some photos of the completed house. It is almost impossible to get a photo from the outside as all houses are very cramped together! As an "extra" I paid for the shiny floors.





#### **OFELIA PROJECT**







By a miracle we have obtained a small piece of land for Ofelia for an extremely good price of \$19,000. We are now checking with lawyers that this land is legal for sale. I want to share with you again a little bit about Ofelia. She is a single mother who was violated 20 years ago and now has a lovely child called Irma. I have had long fatherly talks with Irma and she has kept herself pure, getting through high school and university where she passed out with honours as a chef. You all made this possible! Irma got a wonderful job in a local school which meant her evenings were free. Sadly the school is closed during covid. It might open in the New Year.

Ofelia has worked for us for 18 years and not 16 as I stated in an earlier newsletter. With your help she was twice operated on for a broken leg and appendix. She is another prayerful woman.

My concern now is to get a house built whilst I am still alive! If I was to die tomorrow she would lose her job and the house she rents. In other words she would be out on the street! I am sure I do not want that and neither do any of you. So, I am calling on you all to help financially to help build a small house for Ofelia and her daughter! I will be doing this over the next few months. Please pray and dig deep to help



financially to give Ofelia her own small house which she thoroughly deserves. I know this is going to cost a ballpark figure of \$10,000. I learnt this "ballpark" word from my ex-director of Globe and good friend Brad Thurston! Never heard of it before! ©

Joe & Karin Bedford with me Pastor Fredy and daughter from our 2<sup>nd</sup> Church plant

If you would like to help us build this house, please send your donation to "Ofelia-House," to one of the addresses below. I really believe we will achieve this whilst I am still alive! Let's go for it!

# VISITORS

Whilst I have been recovering I have had a number of visitors coming to pray for me. Joe and Karin Bedford are fellow Globe Mission missionaries and work with YWAM in the same town where I live. We have known them for many years, as they ministered with Christa and myself in our last church. Joe has helped out a few times by teaching in our current church Dios de Amor (God is Love). The second photo is Pastor Fredy, his daughter Yuli and me. He is pastor of our second church we helped to plant.

## **CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

I had informed you that we had changed our postal address. I found out later it is a rogue address. All my mails were opened which is forbidden by law. I have therefore returned to my old address below JEFF MILLS (A-0238)-Antigua

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## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

- 1. For my peace in Christ.
- 2. House for Ofelia (Urgent) \*\*\*
- 3. Thanking God for Victoria's House
- 4. For my health and safety

## STOP! LATEST INFO! \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*





Since writing this Newsletter, I had further heart attacks and was taken by ambulance to the hospital in Guatemala City. It was really an emergency as I had more heart attacks in the ambulance. I was admitted to the ICU and my heart specialist told me that I needed to be operated on soonest. However he told me the chances of me dying during the operation was 70% to 90%. I immediately said no! However, during the night I had time to think and pray. I realised I was going to die if I didn't have the procedure. Next day late into the evening the procedure took place with a different specialist helping my doctor. I had a weird experience of floating in the air during the whole procedure! The good news is that they managed to fit TWO stents this time! I was so overcome with joy that I wept loudly thanking the Lord. I know there were many people praying for me during the time of the procedure., and I am grateful to all of you. God certainly

heard your prayers and a miracle took place. I am now at home resting and taking life vey slow for a couple of months. I have an enormous bill, and would be very grateful for any help in paying this. If you feel led to help, please send your gift to one of the addresses below marked "Jeff-Operation." God bless you all and I truly hope you enjoy yourselves in this festive season.

Many blessings, and have a truly great Christmas and a happy New Year..

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