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Hello Everyone,

Just wanted to send a quick report out about all that is happening with Happy Feet. We have just returned Sunday, February 21, from Honduras and had a great trip. We were blessed to see over 800 Lenka Indians give their lives to Jesus. As we traveled each day into the mountain to do Happy Feet, we encountered a great deal of poverty. This was very much like the experience we had last year.

On one occasion, we finished early and decided to purchase food (beans, rice, bread, flower and so on) to carry to a few homes. The first home we stopped at was a simple mud hut with dirt floors. I must tell you I was moved in my spirit as the lady of the house was sitting on the floor with 7 children around her. The children were as dirty as any I had ever seen. The mother stated that they had no running water or electricity and that her husband left over a year ago. She shared with us that she had given her life to Jesus a few years ago and had been praying that the Lord would somehow provide food for her children as they had not eaten in 4 days. It was a very difficult thing to see.

I was asked to pray by a team member and was really unable to do so. I tried, but I was so moved in my heart and with tears and broken words I simple asked the Spirit to pray for me as I just could not find the words. We gave her the food and one of the children (a little girl about 8 years old) asked me if they could really keep the food? It was very difficult to see and be a part of that day.

These people live desperately day by day. Needless to say, seeing this makes one take a personal evaluation and puts things in perspective quickly. Please pray for this family as they truly live each day needing basic essentials for living. I talked with the missionary and made a personal commitment to send money to him monthly to help this specific family. I know in my heart our Lord will prove Himself faithful when we do our part.

Well, Mary and I will be traveling to California next week to get a new church started as they prepare for their first Happy Feet trip (Calvary Community Church). Soon after, we will be carrying a team from West University Baptist on March 14th to Guatemala to work with the Mayan Indians. When we return we will be doing a lot of Boston Butt fund raising as Happy Feet has 5500 pair of new shoes coming in April (\$19,500). Please be in prayer about this as well. As you know, this is the primary way we reach so many with the Gospel each year.

There is a lot more I would love to tell everyone about the last trip that I believe would astound you. There's so much to say about the people there and how we witnessed our Lord work. It truly was an awesome experience.

I love you all - tell someone about Him today.

Bill Conlee