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Dear friends of Missions Ministries,

Exciting News!!!

In Mexico, where it often feels like we are fighting a losing battle, the Lord gives us glimpses of His majesty to encourage and sustain us! Last week, the government of Chihuahua gave land to Missions Ministries in Km 30 to build a clinic, library, kindergarten and soccer field on. I, personally, had only been praying for land for a sports field and was convinced that Missions Ministries would have to purchase it. Little did I know that the Lord was working in a mighty way in the hearts of Mexican officials to bless us with this amazing opportunity to serve Him and His people.

Through the extraordinary efforts of Jeff Pinar and Maria Louisa, a government recognized colonia representative, they were able to convince the government to give us the land. Yes, it was actually put into M.M.'s name in less than a week! What this means is that children who would otherwise not go to kindergarten and be eligible to advance to primary school, are now going to be able to. After school they, and all the other children in the colonia at Km 30, will be able to receive extra help and tutoring at the library that Menlo Park will build in January and February. After their studies or during any free time, they will be able to play futbol/soccer to their heart's content or until mom calls them home. If their knees are skinned up from all the fun they're having, they can visit the clinic which will be staffed by a government paramedic. In addition, not less than 100 ft. away, will be a police station that will not only guard the clinic, but the library and colonia as well!

The government is also working to provide a piece of land to M.M. in Km 27 for several sports fields and a large park. Yes, we serve a mighty God! I know you may have already read this in Jeff's email but I am so excited I couldn't help but tell a little more about this miracle. Thanks Jeff and Maria Louisa for all of your hard work! Thanks to God for without you, all of our labors are in vain! Please join us in praising God and in praying to Him for all the details that will go into making these projects a reality.

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