Coates Family Newsletter

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Dear Praying Friends,



We are excited for all to see this photo of the new building for the **Iglesia Bautista La Esperanza de Zapotitlan.** This is the mission on the coast that we have talked so much about! We prepared the building in March and were able to hold its first Sunday services in April. We also Praise the Lord that it is now in the hands of two young Guatemalan men that will work together with us there. A group from our church will still assist in services on Thursday like we have done



for these two years past, but these men will be in the forefront of the work. Please pray for Bro. Alberto and Bro. Elvis as they lead this young church. They come to us at a very good time, as we will be **planning to leave on furlough toward the end of this year.**

Speaking of furlough, we are praying for wisdom about the exact date to go, as this will all be contingent on the arrival of a new little one. Yes, Mrs. Tammy is expecting and we rejoice in this news. Many have been asking when the next one would be coming along, and the answer to that is December 2013. Please pray with us for a smooth pregnancy, a safe delivery for Tammy and baby, in God's time and in the right place.

Our first church, the **Iglesia Bautista La Esperanza**, continues to grow and be blessed even among difficulties. Two of our faithful men passed away on the same day in April, one of whom had recently been baptized. They will be greatly missed. But the work of our Lord continues on! We had a

great time in the Lord at the Mother's Day service. There were several new visitors that day, some of them among the

mothers we honored. The church in La Esperanza is getting ready, too, for the Coates to leave for furlough, and several people are stepping up to fill our places. One of our men, Bro. Jose, who was baptized this year, is now helping direct the music and is a driver in the bus ministry. Bro. Eusebio is another man ready to help. He is preparing to teach my Sunday School class. We are working ourselves out of jobs! Words cannot describe the joy of watching these people grow and learn to labor with us in the field.

We continue to see souls saved through the different areas of ministry. Thank you, as always, for your faithful support. We will be contacting you soon about coming by to report during the year 2014.



Your Fellow-Servants,

Daniel Coates and Family