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News from the Tyas family  
Serving in WA among the Hispanic community

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*From the Notes of Ed and Gerry...*

Dear friends and family,

**Christmas Time** and going into the **New Year** is a beautiful time of year but in reality can be very stressful and sad for many. This is the world that Jesus was born into. Jesus came to give us **Hope**. We all need hope but that hope can only be placed in Christ. What a blessed word.

*“Now may the God of **hope** fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in **hope** by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13 (ESV)*

We continue with visitation, Bible Clubs, and meeting many people in need through resource centers. Many of these conversations lead to more opportunities in sharing spiritually.

### **Visiting**

Food is good when shared with a friend...and laughter too...and talking about Jesus. The spending of time with people whether in their homes or out for coffee and sharing about Jesus continues for Gerry. This is a special time of encouragement and praying with friends.

Shortly after returning from Culiacan last year Gerry visited at a home of a dear Hispanic friend. Gerry was sharing about the trip and going into the agricultural camps near the city when this dear Hispanic friend spoke up. My family went to Culiacan when I was growing up. Gerry's ears perked up and she listened more intently. Apparently this family has come to the camps to harvest for 9-10 months out of the year for 10 years. This fits the picture that we were given down there of families and whole (indigenous)villages coming out to work in the camps

harvesting for 9-10 months out of the year. Her childhood was spent in Culiacan. When asked if anyone came to her camp sharing about Jesus when she was there she sadly said no.

We are excited to be going again this year to this same Project. We will be going in January.

### **Bible Club**

The (CEF) Good News Club in which Gerry helps at an apartment complex right now in Bellingham is a delight. This Bible Club has existed for the past couple of years. It is a great place to love on kids and their families and share the truth of God's Word.

### **Resource Centers**

Many opportunities are discovered through involvement in places of assistance in our communities in providing physical help which shows care to listening and praying with individuals as they share spiritual needs in their everyday life. Life is hard. What a great privilege to direct others to Jesus and His care of us.

### **An Upcoming Adventure**

We are again planning on a trip to Mexico in January. We will be going for 2 weeks working with Gospel Recordings Mexico in the agricultural fields outside of Culiacan, Sonora, Mexico. Pray for protection both physically and spiritually. We are very excited to be going again.

We are deeply grateful to you, our friends, for being a part of this ministry through your prayers and financial giving. It is only through this that this ministry is accomplished.

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