



Year End 2002

Caldwell Missionary Review

Written from David's perspective

Published by New Hope
Christian Community Church

David and Karen Caldwell
Serving with Elim Fellowship

**We have friends
with whom to
enjoy time.
RYCCA activities
are being devel-
oped and orga-
nized. Our
Spanish is slowly
improving.
RYCCA manuals
are taking
shape.**

Strategy
Love people.
Do camp.
Pray.

Contributions Make it Happen

Elim Fellowship
PO Box 57A
Lima, NY 14485
Make check to: Elim Fellowship
Include note stating the tax
deductible donation is for the
Caldwells

Mail

Mr. & Mrs. David & Karen Caldwell
Libramiento Ote. # 220
Col. Ex-Hacienda El Rincón
Morelia, Michoacán 58255
MEXICO

Phone

Office: 011-52-443-333-1010
Home: 011-52-443-314-6089
Texas: 972-530-0966@Christmas

Email

David@RYCCA.org.mx
Karen@RYCCA.org.mx

Momentum

Who's New?

Our focus is training and em-
powering leaders. We appreci-
ate the opportunity to work with
Bible students who are ready to
serve with open hearts. Nico,
our first employee, is a tre-
mendous asset to the develop-
ment of Christian camps. He
continues his studies to be a
pastor while he works with
RYCCA camps.

Ana was recently hired as
RYCCA's director of girl's
camps. Ana, a graduate from
Bible school two years ago,
desires to be a missionary to
Arabs in Africa. Prior to her
working full time with RYCCA,
Ana had helped as a volunteer.
She had been crying out to God
for some type of ministry to
begin her practical training for
missions. Once we heard of
Ana's desire for that level of
commitment we spoke to her
about training with us.

Her first full day of work, she
refused pay that she really
needed. She said it was her
thanks to God for giving her the
privilege to serve Him. Karen
gets time to further Ana's
understanding of what it might
take for Ana to be a missionary
to Africa someday.

In addition to Nico and Ana,
RYCCA is also blessed by
volunteer assistants who are
also making the effort to reach
kids in Mexico using the tool of
camping. We rejoice at having
such quality people with whom
to work.

Classified Section

»Wanted: A secretary to work in
Morelia for 3-6 months. No
Spanish required. Organiza-



Ana, RYCCA's girls director

tional and writing skills are
necessary. No salary. Bring
your own computer. Approxi-
mate costs: \$700 for transpor-
tation; \$300-400/month for
housing and food; \$100/month
for ministry expenses. Can live
in a small, furnished apartment,
easy walking distance to
RYCCA's office. Nice neighbor-
hood. Take a first step: ask for
Visitor's Manual.

»Donations needed to purchase
large track of land for first
permanent RYCCA campsite in
central Mexico. Send to Elim
Fellowship indicating *Caldwell-
Land*.

Hung

One of those certificates of
participation... it's an 8 1/2 by 11
computer-generated piece of
paper that means you paid the
fee for the conference and
showed up. So why did I have
it framed?

You don't have to work long in
camps before you hear about

Go to next page... ➔

Christian Camping International (CCI). It's made up of a bunch of folks that are nuts about using God's creation to explain His truth.

This year the CCI conference for Mexico was held at a camp/seminary near the mega-city Guadalajara, a four-hour drive west. I took Nico and Ana with me. We were the only ones from our state of Michoacán.

The conference was inspirational. We all learned more, got to meet experts in the field, and hung out with others who are crazy about Christian camping. I was encouraged to continue writing a short devotional that uses creation to explain about the Creator. I was also asked to lead a workshop next year. In that workshop I will endeavor to explain how RYCCA trains camp counselors to follow up campers before and after camp using their church small group so kids and their family can enter into the fellowship of the church.

This was my first time at a CCI conference. Another piece of dream-become-reality for camps in central Mexico is in place. That thin piece of paper represents 20 years of waiting. That's why it's hanging on my office wall. It was worth the wait!

Chat...

»Relationships with neighbors are strengthening. We have friends with whom to enjoy time. RYCCA activities are being developed and organized. Our Spanish is improving slowly. RYCCA manuals are taking shape.

»Karen's parents are hosting a Christmas in Texas for the whole clan. This is a first since childhood days.

»Our children desire to serve the Lord with their lives. They are learning about the mundane

work that goes into getting exciting results.

»My (David's) health has held up. Pray for complete healing.

»Give thanks with us for our faithful USA partners whom we couldn't do without.

Permission Granted!!!

After more than four months of waiting, over 400 copies, fees, long office visits, photos, and thumb prints... we received official Mexican documents (FM-2 visas) that give us privileges to continue our work here in Mexico. Hallelujah!

Permission Pending???

Park Project: We are researching the possibility of using a public park to do year-round camp counselor training. After we make neighborhood surveys we plan to give a report to the local authority. We will request permission to do regular activities in the park. His decision determines if RYCCA can officially work with neighborhood children.

Ana, featured on previous page, is heading up the RYCCA Park Project. If this prototype is successful it could easily be transferred to any church in the country that would like to use it. At present the park is littered with broken glass and trash. It is seldom used for the purposes it was intended. We hope to make it into a safe place where kids can play and be taught truths from the Bible while at the same time giving counselors-in-training a chance to develop skills.

Contributions

Contributions made to Elim Fellowship, designated for the Caldwells, help make ministry happen.

Contributions...

... of funds have helped four Mexican seminary students work their way through Bible school.

... keep gas in the vehicles that move equipment and link people.

... allow for fees to be paid: taxes, tariffs, and telecommunications.

... provide scholarships that make a place for kids to hear about and accept Jesus.

... lay foundations for development of RYCCA Christian camps and retreat centers in central Mexico.

... are used to bless the poor, share food, and share the Gospel.

... employ Mexican staff who work hard to add to local church evangelism.

... of dollars, provide pesos to pay for glasses, dental work, food, and rent.

... facilitate the production of diverse materials to train camp counselors.

... they don't give health or ideas. They don't move God's hand. They don't make time or make the work more holy. But contributions help a great deal. They... sustain, ... encourage, ... connect.

... they put opportunities on the workbench to be processed into realities, they make dreams come true.

Contributions... help make it happen!

Thank you for investing in this work.



Retiros Y Campamentos Con Aventura A.C.