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# The L.A.M.B. Report

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## B.A.S.E.—Belize Agricultural Saint Enterprise

by Steve Schultz

A small agricultural community which will operate as a Zioniac enterprise is being developed near Corozal, Belize. The purpose of the project is to underwrite the land purchase, development, construction, and equipment cost of starting the community which is located near Four Mile Lagoon.

The project is the dream of High Priest Bill Guthrie. In the late 1950's, Brother

lies. In May he offered a grant of \$10,000 to begin the project. LAMB approved a matching grant of \$10,000 from the Hurricane Mitch Relief Fund.

Twenty acres have been acquired and the land has been cleared of rocks and vegetation. The rock will be used for the foundation of four modest block homes which will be constructed, one for each resident family. The first planting of corn has already eared out. A recent rain saved the rice crop. The work is labor intensive, but rewarding. The surrounding community is watching the effort thoughtfully.

Each of the families will share in the work, equipment, land use, and harvest results. They will act as stewards over the land and their homes in this "for-profit" enterprise. All involved are confident in the success of the project as gospel principles are applied.

It will take approximately \$10,000 dollars of additional funding to complete the initial phase of the project. We are hopeful that the saints will continue to generously contribute to make the B.A.S.E. project a success.



*B.A.S.E. 20 acre tract cleared of 20 truck loads of rock.*

Guthrie developed a successful self-sustaining agricultural community for the RLDS church in Korea. His hope is to build a similar community in Belize which will permit local saints to live Zioniac principles while supporting and building a future for their fami-

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# Latin American Priesthood Conference Report

by Steve Schultz

A conference of the Latin America Restoration Priesthood was held in Corozal, Belize on October 6 - 9, 2000. It was hosted by the Corozal, Belize Restoration Branch. Pastor Arturo Gomez and assistants spent many hours preparing for this event and transporting people several hours one way from the airports, with the branch women's society cooking most of the meals.

We were pleased to be there at the same time with Dick and Bobbie Smith who were continuing their Well-Baby clinic project in Corozal. Dick was able to join the priesthood for the meetings. We had a total of 20 priesthood who traveled from various parts of Mexico, Honduras, the U.S. and Belize.

There were 4 new priesthood members attending for the first time! The conference theme was Stewardship in the Gospel. Classes were taught on the full meaning and obligations of time, talents and temporal means as it relates to daily life by Steve Schultz. Special projects and missionary organizational relationships were also pre-

sented by Elder Ed Glaser. The brothers were challenged to be led by the Spirit to invest and find ways to implement the gospel towards the Zion ideal where they were. There was much good fellowship and many serious prayers with the added support of not one but three Seventies present.

While we were concerned with the results of Hurricane Keith and the resulting flooding, it was an answer to many prayers that the people, buildings and crops of Corozal

were not damaged... even though in the middle of this terrible storm. Praise the Lord! Also, while we were there, a two hour baptismal service for 8 new saints was held at a nearby lake. In spite of pouring rain with-

out umbrellas nor shelter, the service never stopped as each baptismal candidate gave their firm testimony of joining Christ's Church. What commitment! The confirmation service later was equally joyful. We all look forward to meeting again in the future as the Lord's work progresses in Latin America. Thanks for all of your support.

***...each baptismal candidate gave their firm testimony...***

## God's Hand Protects Saints from Hurricane Keith

by Steve De Vera

Most people who have been in a hurricane both fear and respect them. The most recent one in the Caribe was no different. As it approached Central America and more specifically the country of Belize, our brother and sisters there called for the saints in the center place to pray for their safe keeping. This hurricane reached off the coast of Belize and stalled 50 miles from Chetumal, MX. The

storm began to gain strength, and the saints gathered at the home of the pastor, the church, and the mission house for protection. The wind blew, gusts up to 130 mph, and rain to 15" in some areas, and the saints prayed.

The concerns of the people were for safety, property, and the crops at the BASE project.

Our God is a God of miracles.

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As witnessed by many, myself included, the saints sustained no damage to their property, and all were kept safe from harm. Although there were trees blown over, roofs blown off, and banana trees toppled, miraculously the corn crop at the BASE project stood tall. Praise God for his mercy and answered prayer.

## L.A.M.B. Dinner

by Kim Augenstien

On Friday, November 3, a group of 90 people gathered at the South Chrysler Restoration Church to enjoy fellowship and a huge variety of food. Two recipes were requested so they will be included in this newsletter.

The L.A.M.B. members gave reports of the many programs developed and working in Latin America. We heard of outreach and baptisms in Mexico. News from Honduras and Cuba were shared. Baptisms and ordinations have been taking place in Belize as well.

It was exciting to hear of and see pictures of God's work in Latin America. We

## Spanish Restoration Branch

On June 27, 2000 a number of saints banded together to form an evangelistic outreach to the area. Services are conducted in Spanish. Classes on Sunday evenings start at 5:00 p.m. and church service is at 6:00 at the South Chrysler Restoration Branch building. Wednesday night prayer service begins at 6:30 p.m. Contact Gary Metzger at 816-833-5140 for more details. Come help!

had visiting guests with us from Belize and Honduras.

The response to the evening of fellowship was very positive, so we are already planning the next one. Mark your calendar for February 16, 2000 and invite your friends to join us. You will be receiving more information about this as we get nearer the date.

If you wrapped a hot dish in a towel and went home without it, call Kim at 816-796-3949 and we will see that you get it back.

Several people asked for recipes of two of the dishes served at the dinner. The recipes are listed on the back of the newsletter.

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**Pineapple Upside-down Cake**

Melt 3/4 stick butter in cake pan in oven. Remove and sprinkle 1/2 to 3/4 cup brown sugar over butter. Drain 1 regular size can of pineapple. Reserve liquid. Place drained pineapple slices in a design in pan. Add a marachino cherry to center of each slice. Place walnuts in and around the design. Mix one box yellow or pineapple cake mix as per instructions on box, substituting the pineapple juice for the water. Add water if necessary for amount. Pour into pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 to 50 minutes. Check for doneness with toothpick in middle. Enjoy.

—*Sharon Castillo*

**Nutty Broccoli Slaw**

1 pkg. (3 oz) chicken ramen noodles  
1/2 cup sugar (or less)  
1/2 olive oil  
1/2 cider vinegar  
1 pkg (16 oz) of prepared broccoli slaw mix  
2 cups broccoli florets  
1 small red onion, sliced and cut into bite size pieces  
1 cup sunflower seeds  
1/2 cup slivered almonds  
1 (6 oz) can sliced black olives

Combine the slaw mix, onions, broccoli, olives, sunflower seeds and almonds in a serving dish. Crush the ramen noodles and keep separate until ready to serve. In a jar, with tight fitting lid, combine the sugar, vinegar, oil and contents of seasoning packet from ramen noodles. Shake well . Immediately before serving, stir in the crushed ramen noodles. Drizzle the dressing over the salad and toss to coat.

—*Diana Hughes*

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