

MISSIONARY ALUMNI

International Ministries News Update

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Produced by **Ruben Schwieger** especially for Missionary Alumni to help keep us up-to-date on events and people in activities connected to **International Ministries of the Church of God**.

(If you are aware of material you'd like to see included in future issues, please let us know and we will work on it.)

Check out this website:

chogglobal.org (Global Strategy)

Home Assignments

Mark and Kathy Fulton - Haiti

(Still waiting to return for things to clear up and become safe for travel and work at the hospital.)

Paul and Katia Jones returned to Bolivia in October and are once more involved intensely in ministries with the Church and brothers and sisters there.

Larry and LeAnn Sellers are returning to the States, December 2 for further chemo treatment following the removal of the kidney back in the Spring. Insurance requires this additional treatment.

Christy and Dan Kihm are preparing for a six-month home assignment to start around the beginning of the new year.

****We mourn the passing of long-term Missionary **Don Johnson**. **Don** died November 11.

Don and **Betty Jo** served in Guyana from 1955 to 1956, then in Trinidad from 1956 to 1961, as pastors in California, then **Don** served as professor at the school of Theology, as Executive of the Missionary Board for 10 years, as pastor of Park Place Church in Anderson for 10 years and in many other capacities promoting international interdependence and cooperation for the Church across national and cultural boundaries.

John and **Gwen** write: This Advent season we are celebrating without John's father. While we grieve his passing, we do so in hope because the hope of Christ has taken root in our lives. Our prayer is that hope would take root anew in your heart and family this season of Advent.

From **Karvin Adams** of *Partners in Missions* Over 3000 students have been trained in the D. S. Warner School in Chepen, Peru in it's 25 years. Pastor Nicolas asked me to send a special thanks to everyone who traveled with us to build the 4-story building from 2001-2008. This project could not have been completed without you. Some did construction, some bought materials; others, computers and books for the school. Yes, we helped build the school, more importantly, we built students who will have a better life and community.

Also from **Karvin Adams** **Christmas For Our Orphans**

For the past few years, PiM has funded the "Christmas for Our Orphans" event in Guatemala. This annual Christmas party includes games, gifts, and fun activities for the children. Additionally, the workers are provided with gifts and/or bonuses to recognize their dedicated service to the children. We are incredibly thankful for those who have generously contributed to make Christmas special for these abandoned and abused children. They deserve the chance to celebrate the greatest gift of all: God's Son. We hope you will join us again this year in giving the orphans at Mimi's House a wonderful Christmas!



On November 18-19, forty-eight church leaders from Guatemala gathered for a series of conferences, worship sessions, and planning for the International Convention of the Church of God in Latin America, which is set to take place in Guatemala in October 2026. During this event, two men, Felipe and Luis, responded to God's call to pursue pastoral ministry.

Colleen Stevenson in Uganda says:

Our Women's Convention 2025 at the Church of God Kasubi headquarters has kicked off to such a beautiful start! From registration and our inspiring opening government speaker, to the rich teaching, fellowship, and sweet reunions from all corners of the country — our hearts are full. And now, (a few days later) another Women's Convention in the history books! The theme of Transformation was truly what we all needed. Such rich teaching, heartfelt sharing, and beautiful moments of praying for one another were sweet. Everyone is leaving with full hearts! Gifts of sewing machines, birds, rabbits, seeds, and clothing were distributed, and I know there will be many testimonies!



KIST/Trelliss – Trelliss/KIST

In the last edition of this newsletter, I mentioned that the name of the school of Theology at Kima in Kenya has been changed to Trelliss International Training College. This is a major step in the accreditation process - leading eventually to university status.



I was interim principal of the school in 2013 and while doing that did a lot of campus facility repair and updating. There is always a shortage of funding and one of the effects of that is that maintenance of the facilities suffers.

So, my offer to the school was that I would come, spend several months on campus and serve in whatever capacity would be most helpful.

Principal, Dr. Okoth, had asked that I come as a guest lecturer and also to work on maintenance in a variety of tasks on campus.

So, I will be leaving December 31 and should get to the campus sometime on the 2nd of January – scheduled to be there for a little more than 4 months.



Please pray with me for this venture.
Thanks.

I will likely have the ability to use email to keep everyone here posted on what is happening at Trelliss, but I am not sure about maintaining this newsletter. I will let you know what works in that regard.

