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CHILI SUPPER REPORT

On April 13, LAMB supporters once again enjoyed an evening filled with homemade chili, alpaca blankets, good company and new information.



The evening began with an opportunity to browse the boutique and bid on silent auction items. There were several friendly, spirited competitions as people bid back and forth on their favorite things. "Multiple quantity" items added a bit of variety to this year's auction, and the remote-controlled, helium-filled Angry Bird flying overhead was a big hit!

Following supper, Dr. Jane shared news about the San Lorenzo Clinic, including several stories about her patients. We will be sharing some of those stories in next month's edition of LAMBlines.

Dr. Jane also explained how the Clinic has had to change its legal name and restrict the services it offers in order to comply with governmental regulations. Had these changes not been made, the government would have withheld its permission for the Clinic to function -- effectively closing the Clinic.

As a result, the Clinic is being forced to operate as a surgery center and cannot keep patients for more than a one-night stay. This means Dr. Jane has had to severely limit her practice and cannot perform many of the surgeries her patients need.

Imagine the frustration of knowing you can help a patient, but being unable to do so. This is the position in which Dr. Jane finds herself.

Although this is a major challenge, the Clinic staff is not letting it discourage them. One of the key

requirements the government is enforcing is that the Clinic provide services in at least four medical specialties. As you may remember, we have been praying and searching for family practice physicians for several years. This need is even greater, now. We are encouraged that there are a couple physicians considering serving in San Lorenzo; but, nothing is definite yet. Your continued prayers for this urgent need are greatly appreciated!

Other things the government requires in order for the Clinic to be recognized as a "clinic" is an emergency department and upgraded facilities for post-operative patients. Dr. Jane and the staff have been working on plans for a new hospitalization building for over a year. This area will accommodate 20 patients in semi-private rooms and will include a labor and delivery room, an intensive care room and a nursing station.

We estimate we will need \$500,000 to complete the hospitalization building. (We have already received \$100,000.) This is a big project for us, but one that is extremely important for the future of the Clinic! We are asking everyone who can, to help us make the hospitalization area a reality. Every gift is important!

We would like to begin work on the hospitalization building this summer, during the dry season, when construction is much easier. Our goal is to break ground in August!

Can you help us?

This is one of the most important projects we have undertaken at the Clinic. It helps us improve patient care and makes it easier for us to meet governmental regulations. However, it also gives YOU a chance to share directly in the benefits the Clinic provides.

When you contribute to help make the hospitalization building a reality, you provide Dr. Jane and the Clinic staff with a tool they can use to touch the lives of more people! By making that tool available, you share in everything that is accomplished through the hospitalization area.

- When a baby is born, you share in that jov.
- When surgery corrects a debilitating problem, you share in that victory.
- When a life is saved, you helped make it possible!

That is the **power** of missionary giving! We can't all be surgeons in Ecuador... BUT, we can all help the surgeon who is there!

Please consider what you can do to help. Here is a list which identifies the costs involved in this important project. Whatever you can give will be a blessing!

Concrete Blocks	\$10
One Square Foot of the Building	\$75
Utility Room	\$7,000
Bathroom	\$8,000
Storage Room	\$15,000
Nursing Station	\$20,000
Kitchen Expansion	\$20,000
Laundry Room	\$25,000
2-Bed Hospital Room (5)	\$25,000
3-Bed Hospital Room (2)	\$40,000
Labor & Delivery Room	\$50,000
Intensive Care Room	\$50,000

You may earmark your gift for any of the categories listed above.

If you are mailing your gift, please make your check payable to "Latin American Missions Board" and send it to the address listed in the gray box, below.

Online contributions may be made by going to:

www.LAMBonline.org/hospital/

You can also watch our progress toward the goal by watching the thermometer on the web page, above.

The hospitalization building is a key component in continuing and expanding the Clinic's ministry. Together, and with God's help, we can see it happen.

Please join us!

Steve Weaver, Executive Director

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