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DEAR FRIENDS:

Good morning from the warmer part of the country. My sympathies to you buried in snow in the East. We have had it unseasonably warm and the stores are putting out some plants and gardening supplies already. We wish we could share with everyone all the blessings at La Pasada's weekly Bible studies. Everyone's goal at La Pasada is to get his own apartment, get a job or enroll in college. Last evening Don and I went by a small apartment in Albuquerque to bless Lucio and his new home. There was a single bed on the floor, a cabinet, a kitchen with a few fittings and a chair. On the wall there was a cross and some pictures.

**LUCIO** – is originally from Gallup, NM. He made a decision for Christ on June 26, 2011. After prison he spent five months at La Pasada halfway house. He enrolled in the local junior college where he is majoring in HVAC. After work he rides the bus home and spends evenings alone. His long range goal is to be pardoned for his offense. Please pray for Lucio.

**CIRCLE OF CONCERN** – Meeting again on the first of the month, 6:00 – 7:30 at Foothills, corner of Tramway and Candelaria. Last month we heard from Lloyd, up and coming super business man. We were all energized by his dynamic presentation. Thanks, Lloyd. Your speaker this month is yours truly. My subject is simple: SEX. Having been married over 60 years I feel like an authority! This amazingly is a subject just barely touched on at church even though the Bible is full of it. Since most of our folks have at one time been married and some of them are now, I feel it is very timely. I picked up a Cosmopolitan magazine (not my personal choice of reading matter) at my Walmart checkout. The magazine was easily positioned for a roaming teenager. The cover had the word SEX in bold letters on it, which I spotted 50 feet from the counter. In the latter part of the magazine there were several finely printed pages describing every possible type of sex. All conclusions at the Circle on this subject will be from Scripture.

**BLESSINGS FROM BILL:** Church in prison: some go, some stay away. Life in prison is like all institutions: One size fits all. The problem is religious witness and development have lots of variety, whereas prison churches tend to be modeled after the religion of the inmate leadership. To go or not to go? I'm inclined to say GO. But God is greater than any one church. Salvation is personal, not institutional. Let the prison church leadership and the chaplain know what you need to have an authentic religious witness.

**NEIGHBOR** – Presently we have a good tenant in our RV named Joe. He brings up wood leftovers from his job site where he makes expensive copper pictures. He is very helpful, pays his rent on time and is a pleasure to have around. He would like all his old friends in Santa Rosa to know he is doing well and he

sends all of you his greetings! Regards also from the gang at La Pasada, from Dave our co-founder who is in Texas, Tiffany still reading her Bible in the “hole” in Texas, from a bunch of inmates scattered from Florida to California. Pray also for Danielle at La Pasada recovering from a serious car accident.

**APOLOGIES TO YOU WHO ANGUISH OVER FINANCES** – I received a very caring letter from a great Christian guy in Angie, Louisiana, who apologized he couldn’t send us any support. I assured him God has supplied all the needs of Titus House through interested friends for the past five years. I understand fundraising for non-profits as I was a foreign missionary and pastor’s wife. We do our best to plan and spend wisely. We appreciate you who believe in the importance of building up in Christ those who have made major failures in life, who want one more chance to do it right. We thank each one of you who faithfully puts us at the head of your giving list!

**PHONE CALLS** – We enjoy phone calls from around the country. However, some of them have cost us several dollars for a few minutes. Here are the guidelines: Fill out all of our mentoring sheets, send them to us, wait a week for them to arrive and then give us a call. If you call us and we don’t answer, please try again as we have a lot on our schedule. If you have never received the mentoring sheets, please ask for them. After going through this process you may call us once a month. We enjoy reading your letters, also. We have received some very LONG letters, but that is OK and we do our best to answer them. We know many of you feel all alone having been neglected not only by family but spouses and we want to be there for you.

**THANK YOU DEAR FRIENDS** for your prayers and your financial giving as you are able.

**Much love,**

**Don and Alice**