

THE BARNES

your missionaries to Costa Rica

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Dear Pastor and Church:

It is now a tradition, all the men and boys of the church go to the platform and then as a congregation they sing that wonderful song we all share, "Onward Christian Soldiers". They have done that every anniversary Sunday for 27 years. It is a moving experience to watch them. That church began in the back yard of a borrowed house. The pastor was 19 and his wife 18 years old! I was 35.

On this anniversary they had 524 in attendance. I was the invited guest speaker. Their services are broadcast weekly by internet to several families that now live outside the country. Wow! Twenty seven years ago! Now both of the pastor's sons are finishing Bible College and will soon be ready to begin a pastorate.



Thank goodness, they will be a little older than their parents were. This church, the Bible Baptist Church of Loma Linda, just last week sent out a couple to pastor a church in the southern zone and is presently responsible for two strong missions here in the central valley.

Twenty seven years ago this church did not exist, most of the congregation was lost, without Christ, but because you gave and prayed today we celebrated 27 years of the existence of another local body of Christ.

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