



Bruce Martin Family Missionary Report

May 2020

Homegoing of my father, Milton Martin

On March 18th of 2020, the Lord called home my father. We have communicated this via many channels and we hope that many of you have already aware of his passing. The family have received so many expressions of sympathy and support that we have been overwhelmed. We can't begin to express or gratitude to our friends and family for your love during this time.

Dad was ready to be with his

Savior and had expressed quite often that he was looking forward to being reunited with his wife, Frances and his Lord. During his last years of life, his body suffered the ravages of old age. His greatest fear was that his mental capacity would suffer. There was some slight dementia in the last few months of his life, but it wasn't serious enough to deeply affect his relationship with the family as happens in so many other cases.

have posted on YouTube a video that was made several years ago about my father's ministry. You can access the video at <https://youtu.be/RKmZafcRTDg>. You can also see some other videos that I have posted on my YouTube channel of **Bruce Martin Missions** and I would appreciate it if you would subscribe to my channel.

Because of the world-wide virus panic, we were not able to have a funeral service for Dad at the time of his burial. Most of the family were stuck in other countries that have been closed down to international travel. The family members that were in the area of Temple, Texas, where Mom and Dad have lived in for the last 25 years, attended a graveside service. We are planning to have memorial services for my father later this year in the United States and in Mexico. We still have

Dad left this life just one week shy of his 86th birthday and 9 months after my mother's death. His 85 years of life on this earth were filled with so many events that it will take a long time to recount and I hope that the family will be able to record much of those events in future publications. I



My parents at Thanksgiving family gathering in 2016

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not been able to set the dates for these services, but we will get the information out to everyone as soon as we can have the freedom to have normal meetings. Hopefully, we will be able to find a date when the entire family can get together for the

memorial.

One of the major tasks for our family is deciding and making arrangements for the printed materials and teaching records that Dad left behind. Our desire is to help



Mom and Dad on their 15th Wedding anniversary in the jungles of Chiapas, Mexico

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and distribute these materials to any and all that could benefit from my father's ministry. He left quite a bit of printed material in Temple, Texas in many languages. Since the virus panic has limited our travel and ability to visit churches, I have started to catalog and inventory these materials. If any missionaries, Bible schools, pastors, or churches are interested in using the tracts or teaching materials, please contact me at (817) 939-1944 or my email of: brumar@mail.org.

Many churches and individuals who receive my reports also have had a part in my father's ministry. I want to express my appreciation and thanks for your faithful prayer and financial support for my parents for many decades. Your part in their ministry also contributed to my ministry development and direction. Because of my father's influence, we now have 7 descendants who are in full-time ministry around the world. Most of them as missionaries. Our prayer is that my dad's vision and dedication to the Lord Jesus Christ and His great commission will continue to be felt in our family for many generations.

Our activities during the world-wide shutdown

Since most of ministry involves international travel, I have had to cancel many of the trips that were planned for March through May of this year. Thankfully, the internet has allowed us to keep in contact and still have some missions activity. I started to use the Zoom video application several years ago to handle distance teaching. That is now an essential part of my being able to

continue teaching throughout this virus panic. I have been teaching both in English and Spanish via the Zoom program and I am planning to continue this system for the future.

I am still hoping to get my travel schedule back on track. At the moment, I am planning to travel to Mexico at the end of May to participate in the ordination of one of my

students. In June, I plan to travel to Honduras to dedicate a new building that the brethren have been laboring to edify for about 4 years in the village of San Francisco.

During the lockdown, I have been able to catch on a lot of maintenance needs around our house that have been put off for too long. My wife is grateful for that.