

Dear Everyone,

Greetings from spring in San Francisco. We hope you are all surviving swine flu and the recession. Business first; we are trying to gauge what interest there might be in us sending out an additional monthly update. This would be an email, un-posh, text only, focussed mainly on work/ministry, aimed at folk who like to read things in more detail than we can currently accommodate in our regular newsletter. If this sounds like you, maybe you could drop us a line so we can gauge whether we have a viable group to write for. Thanks very much for your interest and support.



Continuing the theme of communications, Martin has now fully revamped our website, including new material and an RSS feed, all available at www.frostmartinhazel.org This has also led to some new work for Martin as he has now been asked to write a couple more for other people.

Martin continues with his involvement in the two prisons, and he also has quite a hands-on mentoring role with his ex-prisoner friend Sergio. A drug user since the age of 12, Sergio has spent most of his life in prison so it is only now aged 36 that he is starting to acquire the skills to function as an adult in society. We suspect that there are probably quite a lot of "Sergios" in the system here; people with potential to make it, if only there were a safety net of folk willing to invest in them on their release. "Our" Sergio is doing really well, Martin's next step is to help him develop a simple book-keeping system to keep tabs on his growing small business.



Hazel preached a challenging sermon on the "Good Samaritan" which was well received and she was given another preaching invitation as a result of it. She continues to produce food for our housegroup every Friday night, and is slowly developing the community project in the village of Quebracho Herrado. I am working closely with the staff at the primary school to support a few kids who are in danger of dropping off the bottom of their year groups, and we are also visiting some families in the village. The guy in the photo is Milton aged 13. He spends most of his life in his bed, and I am working on building the family's trust so that

eventually I might be allowed to take him out of the house and work with him. I have also been told about another child who sounds similar to Milton living in the next hamlet up the road who I would like to go and find and maybe start working with him and his family depending on their needs.

Joni is doing well, chats in two languages, and is in love with Thomas the Tank Engine. Updates on the website as usual at www.frostmartinhazel.org Thank you for reading and praying and for all your support.



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