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NAD Sponsors Guide Magazine Subscription for Calexico Mission School Middle Schoolers

by Alicia Adams

"Lord, I'd like students at the mission school to get **Guide** magazine," prayed Laura Sámano, managing editor of **Guide** magazine. She longed to send the weekly magazine to Calexico Mission School middle schoolers.

"Dear Jesus, what can I do to get the magazines to the mission school?" she prayed another day. "You know, Lord, 10- to 14-year-olds are so receptive to the gospel. It's very important for us to reach them at this age."

Laura prayed again one morning as she worked. "OK, Jesus, I'm going to ask customer service how much it would cost for me to pay for those magazines. Is that what you want me to do? But first I will ask Ms. Gracie how many kids they have." She called the school's registrar and found out there were 52 students enrolled in grades five through eight.

Laura sighed and her shoulders dropped, feeling unable to do anything about her desire. At \$65 per student, the dollar amount needed for 52 subscriptions discouraged her. "Jesus, I can't afford to do this on my own, and I don't think I can fundraise that much either," she prayed and sighed. "You'll need to do something about this need then. Please provide."

As she sat at her desk eating lunch, Laura reminisced on the years she had spent as a student at the mission school. "I don't remember learning English, but I do remember not speaking it," she smiled.

"The mission school isn't just where I learned English," she realized. "My teachers also taught me to love Jesus. Those kids need **Guide**. But, how, Lord? I know You have a way. You own all the money in the world and You can provide. Please, provide."

Laura often daydreamed about kids at the mission school looking at the illustrations and reading the true stories each week. "You know, Lord, my dad was supposed to become a Catholic priest after he graduated from Calexico, but You used the teachers there and the Discover Bible School lessons in Spanish to reroute him. Now he teaches Bible truth to others!" Laura's dad Bernardo Sámano is the religion and Spanish teacher at Calexico Mission School. Laura wanted to pay it forward. "That school did so much for me, my dad, and my brother. But what can I do?" she wondered.

A few months later during an online prayer meeting, Laura expressed her prayer request to Carl McRoy, Publishing Ministries director at the North American Division, and Heather Quintana, editor of **Vibrant Life**. "I would like to find a way to subscribe all the fifth- to eight-graders at Calexico Mission School to **Guide** magazine." The number of middle schoolers had grown to 66 since she had first started praying.

"Tell me more about the school, Laura," Carl said. "It's a mission school. Though it is owned by Adventists, most of the student body is not Adventist. This is where my dad currently teaches and the school where he met the Lord and where my brother and I learned English. The school's education planted the seed for me to be able to edit **Guide**."

"My dad tells me stories about his students, and they sound like he's in some foreign land, working as a missionary." Bernardo has a diverse group of students: Buddhist, Catholic, unchurched, Mexican, American, Chinese. Only a handful are Adventist. Most of his students cross the Mexico-U.S. border every day because they live in Mexico. The school is 25 feet from the international border.

"If those 66 kids had subscriptions, **Guide** would be reaching an international audience. Since most of those students have to exchange Mexican pesos for dollars in order to pay tuition; there's no way they could afford **Guide**."

"I think we need to do this," McRoy decided on the spot. "We need send them **Guide**. Send my department an invoice for the 66 subscriptions."

A fat tear dropped down Laura's cheek. She didn't expect to get an answer to her musings during the online meeting. The group hadn't even prayed yet. "God is good! Thank you; you just made my day!" she said tearfully.

"Every day I pray for those 66 kids," Laura says. "I thank the Lord in advance for those who will give their lives to Jesus, because one day someone gave to the Lord and made it possible for our work in the **Guide** offices to minister to kids in Calexico. I pray the cycle of evangelism continues for many years to come."

Guide magazine delivers character-building stories, puzzles, and thought-provoking columns on media, sports, creation, and church history, along with content for Pathfinders and complementary material for the Sabbath School lessons. To learn more or start a subscription for your child or a group of kids in your local school or church, visit AdventistBookCenter.com.

New Program App for PPPA

by Doug Church & Victor Gouge

When you open **PressNet** in your computer browser (<http://www.pppa.pressnet/>), there is now a new tool available with a lot of useful information. The program is called **Product Viewer**.



Clicking on the **Product Viewer** link will bring up the following screen:



Welcome to PPPA On Line Viewers.

The **Item Lookup** button will bring up a list of all the Pacific Press trade books. Using the **Available/Any** and **Salable/All** Books selectors will let you choose whether to look up in-stock and/or in-print titles only.

The **Search box** is where this tool starts to become really helpful. Type all or part of a title, author, or item number. Clicking on the **Search button** will bring up all of the titles that match with your search term.

The main screen will show you the full item number, the title, the author, the bar code number, how many books we have in inventory, and even the quantity pricing. Do you want more information?

Click the **magnifying glass** next to the item listing and you'll get even more detail. The final piece of information can be found using the **Bins** button located on this detail screen. This is the easiest way to determine where a book is located in the PPPA warehouse. A quick reminder though, all Pacific Press inventory is carefully counted and tracked. An official pick must be generated and the shipping staff must do the picking before anything is taken out of the warehouse.

Enjoy this new tool and if you have any suggestions, comments, or questions please reach out to Victor Gouge in the IT department.



Employee Updates... Customer Service Welcomes Amy Purvis!

by Kirsten Berger

We are so excited to welcome Amy to the Customer Service team!

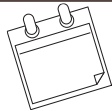
Before joining us, Amy worked as a 911 dispatcher, but the demanding schedule and number of hours caused her to miss out on valuable time with her two kids. She knew she needed a less stressful job that didn't force her to choose between work and her children. She says, "I kept my eye on job openings at the Press for over a year, waiting for the right job to open. When the CSR job was listed, I jumped at the opportunity!"

Amy is no stranger to the Press, though. In the past, she worked as a temporary employee, and her mother, Terri Purvis, is a former PPPA Finance department employee.

When asked what she is looking forward to this year, Amy exclaimed, "I am looking forward to having Sabbath with my kids! I really can't explain just how excited I am about this!"

Amy is very artistic and creative, and when she isn't working, she enjoys spending time with her kids, reading, cooking, baking, gardening, hiking, and working with horses.

Welcome to PPPA, Amy; we are so happy you're here!



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