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I have just returned from a mission trip to Nicaragua. There were 22 members from my church on the trip. We broke up into teams of 3-4 along with 1 interrupter and 1 local church member and walked door to door in the community of Los Larios. When we arrived at the different homes the people welcomed us in, they stopped whatever they were doing and pulled out chairs for us to sit and allowed us to share the Gospel. Can you imagine that in the States. Here we would have doors shut in our face if 5 or 6 people just showed up. But if we can get the word out that our libraries are open to our communities and welcome them in, it would be possible to build a relationship with them and we could REACH them for the Lord, TEACH them God’s word and MINISTER to their needs. Our libraries must change what we are doing. We cannot stay inside our church walls, just as our churches cannot hide inside the building. The ministry will die and so will the church.

Please make plans now to attend the annual Library Conference at Shocco Springs this year. We will be announcing some changes for next year’s conference that I think will be exciting and I hope that you will be excited too!

In Service to Christ,

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