

Template for Monthly Communication with your Honduran Sister Church

This document provides a simple template to guide you as you write letters to your Honduran Sister Church. Feel free to share more, but we suggest you touch on these basic themes as a minimum. Sharing photos that represent the life of your congregation and work in the world is a great idea, too! Email your letter to Elizabeth, and she will get it translated (if needed) and sent on to Honduras. Please send a letter AT LEAST every other month. Thank you! You can expect to receive a letter from your Honduran Sister Church with the same frequency. ewourms@hth.org

1. Greeting and Introduction – share personal greetings, blessings, and introductory remarks, including commenting on the last letter you received from your Honduran sister church
2. News from the States – share items of interest that give your Honduran brothers and sisters a glimpse into what daily life is like in your family, church, and community
3. News from your church – share stories, testimonies, and updates from your congregation – things going on in the life of your local body that would be interesting, meaningful, or inspirational to your Honduran brothers and sisters; be sure to share your church's specific vision and mission (at least in the 1st letter) and highlight specific ways you are living those out in practical, tangible actions
4. Prayer requests and praise reports – please share specific ways that your Honduran brothers and sisters can be praying for you and be sure to celebrate answers to prayer, highlight ways that God has answered their prayers, and thank them for their prayer support
5. Encouragement – comment on the reports and news you're receiving from your Honduran sister community and affirm and encourage them to keep on making progress in their community development work; urge them to be patient and continue working within our processes of community development for effective collaboration; encourage them to have hope and expectancy; cheer them on for the work God is calling them to; share what their relationship with you means to you; etc
6. Close – close with prayers, blessings, gratitude for the relationships, personal greetings, etc