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Dear Family and Friends,

We have some news that we would like to share with all of you. No, it is not yet God's timing that we head to Mexico just yet. We know and trust that He will open the door and make the provisions when He is ready. However, we are moving!

For the third time, Ron was offered the General Management position for Fazoli's at the store in Oshkosh, WI. The first two times that he was offered this position, we both immediately had no desire whatsoever to make such a move. Our plan is to go to Mexico, and that wasn't going to get us there. Well, this time was different. Ron was asked to take over the Oshkosh Fazoli's, and both of us started thinking about what that could mean. It would mean leaving our church and the ministries we are involved in there – but we will be doing that soon when we leave for Mexico. It would mean leaving our friends and moving a little further away from most of our family – but that'll happen when we go to Mexico. It would mean putting our house up for sale – but we were already planning to do that no later than April or May anyway. It would give Ron continued exposure within the company for possible future development - but that's not our primary goal at this time. Our number one concern is: Would this be beneficial to our current objective, which is raising support for Mexico?

So, needless to say, we gave it a lot thought. We spent a lot of time in prayer. We even sought the counsel of a trusted friend and pastor from our church. It came down to two questions: Will moving to Oshkosh break ties with current supporters in the Fort Atkinson area? We don't believe that it will. Could moving to Oshkosh help us gain more prayer and financial support? We believe that it could, through new friends, acquaintances and a new church.

It's a little scary, because we aren't exactly sure what God has in store for us. Rest assured that this is a temporary stop for us. Ron's personal goal for getting the Oshkosh store into shape is 6 months. It may take a little longer, or maybe a little less than that, but that's his estimate for turning the store around and handing it over to a new General Manager. Fazoli's is aware that this move is a temporary one. We would also like all of you to know that this will not hinder the work God has in store for us. If in three months, we have the support needed to go to Mexico, we will make preparations and leave. That is the promise we have made to God, and a job change will not stand in the way of that.

Ron's start date at the Oshkosh Fazoli's is June 4th. We plan to have the house on the market by the end of May and find an apartment in Oshkosh. One nice thing about this move will be our ability to sell the house and have it that out of the way when the time comes for us to leave. We plan to rent in Oshkosh, to also make our leaving easier. Another plus is that we will be having a huge garage sale in May. We will be able to take our first stab at weeding through our belongings. We will be limited with what we actually bring to Mexico, so our furniture will be the major portion of what we take to Oshkosh that will still need to be sold before we leave.

We appreciate all of your thoughts and prayers for us and our future ministry in Tijuana, Mexico.

In Christ,
Ron & Kristy

Prayer Requests:

- *That the Lord will lead us to the people He has prepared to partner with us in our ministry.*
- *For the speedy sale of our house when listed (by the end of May).*
- *Praise for finding an awesome deal on a '98 Chevy Suburban. We now have the four wheel drive vehicle we'll need in Mexico.*