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Dear Sister Churches,

Heritage Baptist Church in Missouri City, TX is pleased to announce that we will be the sending church of Bro. Ben Woodward to the mission field in Mahogany Heights, Belize, Central America.

Bro. Woodward and his family plan to go to Belize in 2011.

We know Bro. Woodward to be a godly, hard-working man who has a heart for seeing lost souls come to Jesus Christ. He was saved at the age of nine in Belflower, CA and surrendered to the ministry in 2000.

He focused on student ministry until God used him to support a struggling church in Amarillo. He served as unofficial interim pastor there until the Lord provided the church with a pastor three years later.

Bro. Woodward and his family (wife Terese and children Amber, Aaron and Samantha) moved to Katy, TX and joined Heritage Baptist Church in late 2007. The Woodwards have two other children, John and Stephanie, who are living on their own.

Now a student at Heritage Baptist Institute and Seminary, Bro. Woodward also has taken seminary courses in Oklahoma and has taken Faith Bible Institute classes.

We covet your prayers as this family now prepares to go where they've been called by God. Bro. Woodward will be accompanied by Sis. Terese and Amber on the mission field.

Belize is a mission field teeming with people who have never heard the gospel. Many have no knowledge at all about the one true God. It is an inviting place, as the government has promised a land grant to churches that will come and work there and they have offered land for schools as well.

Missionaries have been sent to Belize in the past only to spend a year or two and leave the work. Bro. Woodward's prayer is that he begins a change in the very culture of the people in Belize. This, we believe, can start through founding a Christian school in the country.

The Belize government is wide open to Christian education and is looking for churches to help them develop their educational resources. God has been removed from classrooms in the United States and the education system suffers increasingly for it. Belize is offering an opportunity to change the lives and culture of its people by educating them and raising them with the Word of God at its base.

Amber, who is currently working toward a college degree, plans to be a teacher at this school Bro. Woodward looks to implement.

Along with the school, Bro. Woodward plans on establishing a self-supporting church, training up the man God will call to pastor this work, then moving on to the next area God leads him.

We also ask that you consider supporting Bro. Woodward in his ministry in any way you can. Needs outside of general support for the missionary and the ministry include relocation and shipping expenses, supplies, etc. If you would like to contact Bro. Woodward about deputation appointments, contact him by e-mail at benwood@belizeinjesus.com, by phone at 281-829-5850 (home), 832-451-7204 or 832-331-5545 or through his Web site at www.belizeinjesus.com.

If you would like to contact Heritage Baptist Church to get more information on Bro. Woodward, call 281-403-4994.

In the Lord's service,

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