

The Society of the Human Family in Christ

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The results of 4 months in Cochabamba, Bolivia Willem Langelaan, vice president

- On behalf of the Human Family in Christ, I handed a written request to **Archbishop Oscar Aparicio** at the Archdiocesan offices in Cochabamba. In the ensuing meeting Willem discussed the mutual benefit of maintaining our good relationship with regards to **future cooperation** between the Archdiocese and the Human Family in Christ. I requested the possibility to apply for **financial assistance** for our charitable programs from the funds of the expropriation sale of Hospital Cuschieri.



Archbishop Oscar Aparicio

In my meeting I was supported by **Bishop Flock**, the past president of the board of directors of Hospital Cuschieri.

- Three, out-and-return trips, 1,000 km one way, from Cochabamba to Bishop Robert Flock's new Diocese in **San Ignacio de Velasco** were made by car to assist Bishop Flock to move some of his belongings to his new Diocese. We took turns driving and scared each other in equal measure on the 2 lane highways.



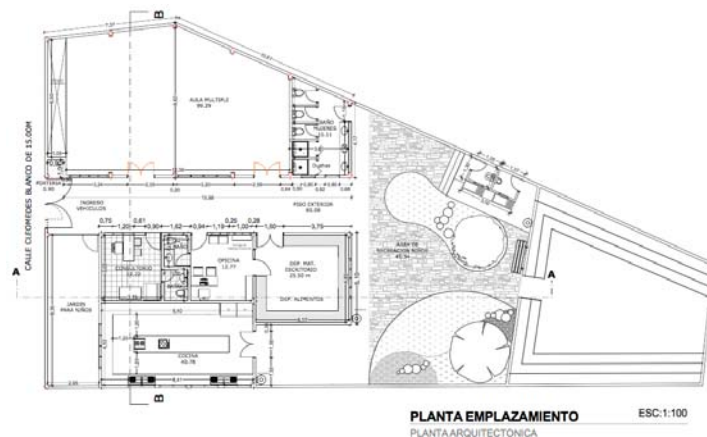
Bishop Robert Flock

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- In La Paz I met with the president of **Chalice-Bolivia**. We agreed to review the possible **modes of cooperation** between us. Chalice and the Human Family in Christ have in common their programs for helping the children of poor mothers. This dialogue will take place this summer at the Chalice head office near Halifax, NS.

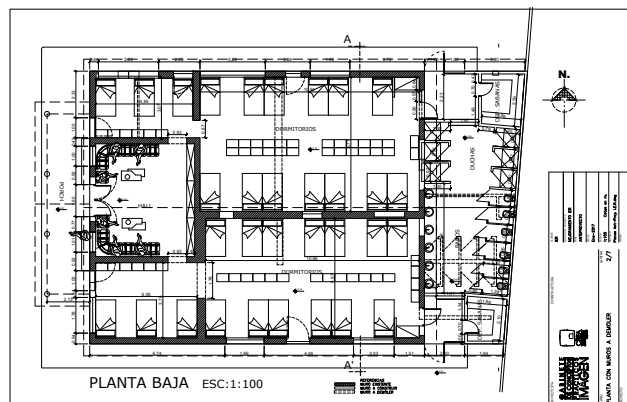
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- The design + budget for the new buildings for the **Programa Sagrada Familia** have been finalized. It will be built on the property in Colcapirhua of the Italian Congregation of the **Hermanas Maestras de Santa Dorotea**. The Human Family in Christ agreed to pay for all furnishings such as tables and chairs, desks, storage shelving, kitchen cabinets, kitchen appliances, etc.



The Hermanas signed the construction contract and by the end of March construction has started.

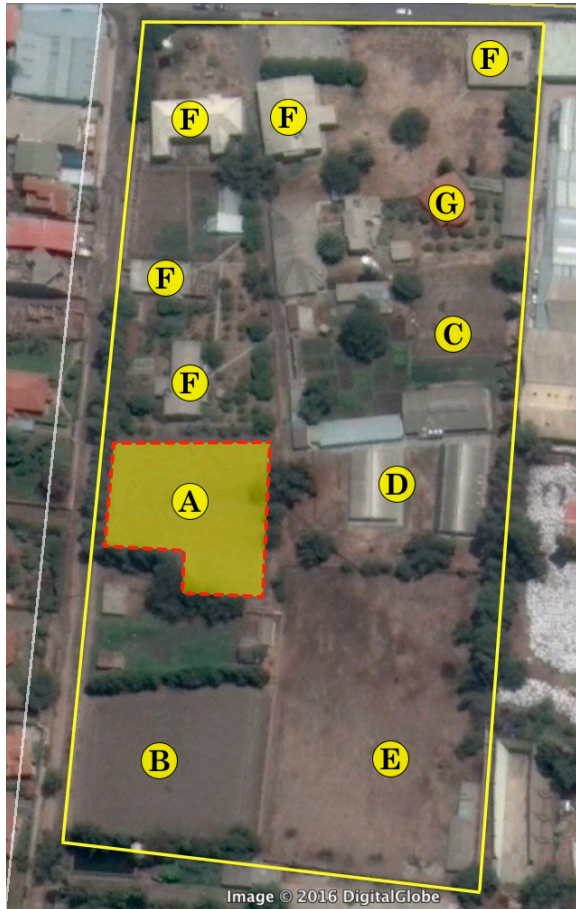
- The **Instituto de Educación Rural**, IER, in Quillacollo near Cochabamba receives our financial support for the education of poor young women from the rural Altiplano. In addition we provide practical support. I oversaw the design + budget for the renovation of their old **dormitory building**. In February I completed an extensive application for funding to the APC program of the Japanese Embassy in La Paz. A printed and bound 100 page application was personally hand delivered to the Japanese Embassy.



- With the help of our friends from a Canadian agricultural foundation we hope to develop an **orchard** on the property of the IER. Our contribution will be to construct a **10m high water tower** for gravity fed irrigation of the arid parcel.

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Our architect/contractor has completed the structural design for the water tower. The construction budget is USD 13,884. We have the funding in place. The location for the tower is agreed upon and the field for the orchard is selected. We expect to start the construction of the tower by the end of April 2017.



Area "A" to be irrigated

Instituto de Educación Rural

A. Area to be irrigated

- B. Corn field
- C. Vegetable garden
- D. Chicken coop
- E. Grassland for the cows and sheep
- F. School buildings
- G. Chapel

- In January I met with a vice-president of **COBOCE** at their head office in Cochabamba. COBOCE is the largest cement producer in Bolivia. I requested a discount on the cement for our 3 construction projects. COBOCE kindly decided to discount their cement bags for our projects by Bs. 2,40 to BS. 55,60 per bag. A saving of 4% on the cement.

<http://www.coboce.com>

- We paid our 2017 membership fee of USD 250 in **COCAB**, Coordinadora de Organizaciones de la Sociedad Civil Canadiense en Bolivia, a non-profit organization that represents many Canadian charities in Bolivia. COCAB has an excellent working relationship with the Canadian Consulate in La Paz. Upon my suggestion, Chalice also became a member.

<http://plataformacocab.com/inicio>