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The Rotenberger's Newsletter

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All The Glory Goes To God!

It is amazing to me that it has been twenty-six years since the Lord called us from Pennsylvania to minister full-time for Him here in Idaho! It has been such a blessing to serve God here and everywhere else He has used us so far. We look so forward to what the future holds and how God will allow us to be part of His work. We love being involved with others who love the Lord and see how God can use all of us for His purpose. But, when He is using us and things are going great, it is so easy to get carried away in the moment and allow some of the honor and glory, that belongs to Him, to fall on ourselves. **"Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."** 1 Corinthians 10:31 (NASB) Paul is writing to the believers in Corinth about eating meat that was sacrificed to idols. At the end of this verse, Paul sums up our whole lives by finishing with, **"...whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."** This is a great reminder that in everything that God has us doing, and involved in, that ALL the glory belongs to God! Since every one of us that have given our lives to Jesus Christ are full-time missionaries in this world that we live in, then we should be serving Him and giving the glory to Him every day. So, as you read through the rest of this newsletter and see the great things that God has allowed us to be part of this past year, remember that it was all done by and through Him! To our God be the glory, great things He has done and will continue to do! Amen!

Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men;

Colossians 3:23
(NASB)



Perry and Sandy

Meet our friends from Pennsylvania



It was our pleasure to host this mission team that served at Old Faithful Christian Ranch (OFCR). This team came from Grace and Truth Fellowship in Morgantown, PA, for the Jr. Camp week in July. The leaders of this team were Pastor Lance and his wife, Karen. Pastor Lance was the original Chairman of the Board, and Karen was the first nurse for OFCR. Trisha (Eisele) Kijek, her husband, Chris, and their son, Michael, were part of the

team, along with four young adults from the church. The members served in various capacities as: staff spiritual leader, craft leaders, cabin leaders, and support staff. Sandy and I were able to help take care of their traveling and touring needs, minister with them, and spend time with them. What a blessing!

Brenda's Tiny House is Finished!

You might remember the tiny house that we have been building for a missionary here in Idaho that was in need of housing since her father passed away. After three Summers/Falls, as time allowed, the house became Brenda's home! Various touches were added as special memories of her dad. It was a lot of work, but what a joy from our Lord God to allow this project to come to completion! Thank you to everyone who donated money, physical help, and prayer support. This house could not have been built without many of you! But, of course, it could not have even been started without the 'yes' from our Lord. May all the glory and honor go to God! *"Unless the LORD builds the house, they labor in vain who build it;..."*

Psalm 127:1a (NASB)

Please pray for Brenda as she continues to serve God at Old Faithful Christian Ranch as the Full-time Program Director.



Front of house



North end of house



South end of house



Bathroom



Kitchen



Mudroom



Bedroom



Living room



Hallway



Living room

*"He is your praise and He is your God, who has done these great and awesome things for you which your eyes have seen."
Deuteronomy 10:21*

Mexico Mission Trip With Net Menders Ministry 2024

Please be in prayer with us:

For safety as we travel so much as we minister

For a newer car with low mileage (current car has 196,000 miles and needs repair)

Praise the Lord with us:

That Brenda's house is finished

That God has healed Perry's right knee after knee replacement last October

This year, we were amazed that our God supplied 105 people to serve during the annual Net Menders mission trip. We stayed at a Christian renewal center in Arizona and crossed the border every day to various locations for work projects. I was asked to

co-lead a team that worked at the Templo Monte Sinai Church in Nuevo Progreso, Mexico.

Demolition work to take the old leaking roof and ceiling off of the church was done the week before the team came. Then, our project, with a team of about

15-20, was to replace



Three pastors from other churches helping with the demolition

the roof with a new steel roof in one week. Oh, and before the week was over, this team put on another smaller steel roof at another church. After the team left, finishing touches on the large roof, and the block work, were completed. We were able to work with some great, hard working people from the church and other churches in Mexico, including the pastors. This year, I traveled down from Idaho to help for three weeks, and Sandy was

able to help

for almost two weeks. Sandy fellowshiped with the women, entertained children, helped in the kitchen, cared for adults and children at a medical clinic, took many pictures and videos and just loved being with so many!

As always, it was great to



Pastor Moises, the pastor of the church, laying block

reunite, fellowship, and work with our friends across the border. Even though Sandy and I still do not speak a lot of Spanish, we were again

able to share a lot of fun and the love

of Jesus Christ during our time there.

If God is calling you to be involved next year, you can check out Net Menders on Facebook.



Demolition work to remove the old ceiling and roof



Progreso work team building new roof



Smaller steel roof



Sandy helping



The gang at Monte Sinai Church



New church roof

Other Ministry Opportunities Since Our Last Newsletter

In this newsletter, we focus a lot on the big projects that our Lord allows us to be part of, but there are so many other things that we have been blessed to be part of during this past year. We can NEVER say it enough, that without all of your help, financially and prayerfully, we would not have the ability to minister full-time as we do.

Vacation Bible School

Last June, Sandy had the chance to serve at the combined VBS of Inkom Community Bible Church and Marsh Valley Bible Church. This year, from June 10th - 14th, I get to help, also. Sandy will be the Science and Craft Teacher, and I will be the Bible Teacher. It is great to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with those young children. It is also wonderful to minister with volunteers from both churches. Please pray for the Holy Spirit to move in a mighty way!



One week mission trip in Tyler, Texas

The first week of April, Perry was asked to fly to Tyler, Texas, to help replace all of the waterlines in the house of a missionary friend that has served 40 years with Youth With A Mission. Two other friends from Pennsylvania were also there, and we got all the failing waterlines replaced and some other needed projects done. We had a fun time and enjoyed serving our Lord together.



PRISON MINISTRY

Phone calls about every two weeks are great, but this past Fall, we had a chance to travel to California to visit, in person, our long-time friend in prison. It was such a great time being able to sit with him and speak to him face to face. He is so looking forward to getting out and hopefully being able to work with other ex-prisoners and sharing with them about Jesus Christ.

And...

- ◇ Two weeks on staff at OFCR during Jr. High Camp & Jr. Camp
- ◇ Four weekly classes then counselors at the Will Graham weekend crusade in Idaho Falls
- ◇ Bible studies and mentoring
- ◇ Work projects for individuals

Preached at six churches, on eight different Sundays

One of the greatest parts of the ministry that God has us doing is to go and minister at many churches in this area, most being more than one hour away. Perry gets the privilege to preach, and Sandy gets to love on everyone. Most of the churches are smaller fellowships that may be the only Christian church in their town. They are truly the spiritual lighthouses in their areas. Without them sharing the good news of Jesus Christ in those areas, it would be so spiritually dark. What a blessing they are to so many!

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