To Guatemala and Back

Back in early December I made a trip to Guatemala City to participate in H.I.M.'s annual Central American pastor's retreat. It was certainly blessed! Glenn and Helen Reiff graced us with their presence and brother Reiff did an excellent job tackling the topic of holiness in our daily sessions. We felt God's presence as we discussed this very important doctrine and felt an increased desire to live holy lives and preach holiness to our congregations.

The week after the retreat I traveled to Tacaná, Guatemala to speak at one of our H.I.M.'s churches that was celebrating its anniversary. The days leading up to the weekend revival were spent visiting, preaching and preparing. H.I.M. missionary Michael Mason joined us from Tapachula, Mexico to be the song evangelist and did an excellent job. God helped in the services, although we did not see as many converts as we would have liked we definitely saw God's help and we give Him all the glory. I safely returned to Honduras the Tuesday after the revival thanking God for His help and protection. Twice during the trip I came close to having a serious accident. Thank you for your constant prayers. God is keeping His angels around us.



The pastors who attended the retreat.



Preaching during the revival in Tacaná.

Christmas Recap



The children's choir.



Daniel opening presents on Christmas day.

Two boys ready to open boxes from Pennsylvania.

Christmas 2013 was one of the best! Our week of celebration started in Las Delicias with a Christmas banquet and drama attended by all three of our churches. The churches went together and bought a whole pig to be roasted. The ladies cooked the pig in a big adobe oven and it turned out juicy, tender and scrumptious. They also brought in rice, salad and potato salad. Hannah and the young people prepared a beautiful Christmas drama that retold the story of Christ's birth. It was an absolutely wonderful time of fellowship and reflection on the true meaning of Christmas.

Christmas day found our boys anxious to open up presents. We were so blessed this year. Supporters and several churches sent us finances to purchase gifts for our family. We want to express our gratitude to everyone who gave to make our Christmas so unforgettable. Also we want to say thank you to all the churches that sent us Christmas cards this year, you are so thoughtful.

A few weeks after Christmas we received another blessing. Three boxes arrived from our home church in Beavertown, Pennsylvania with more Christmas presents. Joseph and Daniel were so excited! There were new clothes, toys and decorations and even a jar of peanut butter!! What more could we ask for?

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all that you do for us. You

helped to make 2013 one of our best years ever! We appreciate each and every one of you!



Special Project



The parsonage is right next to the church.

Exciting new developments have been taking place in Las Delicias. First of all God has been moving in wonderful ways. The new pastoral family has been adjusting well and God has been blessing their ministry. Recently several backsliders got back to God as well as some brand new converts found salvation. There has been spiritual growth among the faithful and the work is moving forward!

Roberto and his crew of workers have been

working hard on the new parsonage. The house is roughly

23x42.5 feet. The front part has two bedrooms, a kitchen, living room and a bathroom. On the back part of the house will be a small prophet's chamber with a sitting room, bedroom and a bathroom. Getting Roberto and his family settled into the parsonage will help to further establish the work. The construction has kept Roberto occupied and unable to fully attend to his pastoral duties. New converts are waiting for discipleship, sermons need prepared and people need visited. Pray that we will be able to quickly finish this project.

Would you consider investing in this new work? We are needing \$14,000 to help cover the costs of this project. Once finished, this house will serve as a blessing for many years. The church will save hundreds of dollars by not having to pay rent for a parsonage, future pastors will not have to worry about where to house their families and visiting evangelists and missionaries will have a place to stay. If you would be interested in sending an offering please make your check payable to H.I.M. and be sure to mark in the memo of the check

'Parsonage in Honduras'. Your checks can be mailed to Hope International Missions, P.O. Box 1065 Hobe Sound, Fl 33475. We will be deeply grateful for your financial help.



Mike is our head contractor.



Philip working hard.



Digging the septic.



Stuccoing the side of the house.



Roberto, Jenny, Genesis and Jired.