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Thank You for your support & prayers for this ministry. We are in this together.

- ☐ Continue to pray for God's direction and help with the writing of the next curriculum.
- ☐ Pray some more for a permanent water situation.
- ☐ Thank God for the rest and recuperation of our vacation.
- ☐ Pray for the construction, that it would be swift and safe.
- ☐ Pray for guidance in the plans of the physical plant.
- ☐ Thank God with us for the work he has put before all of us, and pray with us for more staff!

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Refreshing Rains

The rains of refreshing have fallen on us (as well as the torrents of nature) and you can see the effects of it around 'Rancho Provision' in mud and joy!



It was vacation time! Other breaks this past year and a half didn't feel like much of a break. So this year, we took a vacation here at home. Most days it didn't look much like a vacation with all of the activity, but the end result felt like one. I rested and read in-between normal house jobs and visitors, but made sure not to "work." Now, I feel refreshed and ready to go, with a new excitement for the vision! I love my new home, it feels comfortable, has air-conditioning, and I now have all my dishes, craft projects, decorations, etc here at home. Dwight loves to hear me call this spot of dirt in Mexico "HOME."

One of the real benefits of the vacation was a renewed vision! We needed to back away from the daily "fray" to see the bigger picture and the total potential here. God has such a heart for his bride down here in Mexico. He has plans for refreshing and building her up too. It means training workshops, providing materials, bringing vision, and generally helping the church to be successful. The problem is that our vision is huge. There are so many areas to church life that are begging for help.

This past week God reminded me of women's ministry. I admit I have struggled a little in that I just don't feel qualified. God reminded me even yesterday that he only wants me to give him what I have and that He will take care of the rest. I have answered Him that I will do whatever he wants me to do, but that I need His direction.

Then there is the youth... and the pastors...etc. More and more over our vacation, Dwight and I have both been feeling the need for more staff. It's become a regular prayer for us. Lord, choose solid Christians who can come along side of us for this work you have set before us, and then send them our direction.

The vacation also gave us time for more long-term planning. It is exciting to see plans get firmed up for our "Ministry Center" here.

Our vision has been refreshed for the need to have events, including camps and retreats here at Rancho Provision. We are excited, as we have already begun planning some family-oriented events here this fall. The public rest room will be finished soon. We plan on raising one wall of the next building so that we can show movies even before the building is finished. It has been, and I am sure will continue to be exciting to see Him provide for His ministry down here.

Well, we normally do not have so much text in a newsletter, but I just needed to share from my heart about God's refreshing us this past month, and how he rekindled the fire under us. The rain outside is fun to hear and watch, (we feel like the three little pigs safe in our brick home as the wind blows really hard) but the wind and rain of the Lord is the best as it refreshes our souls!

- Kristi Krauss



Our next project

...is a curriculum from the Sermon on the Mount with correlating vignettes of great Christians each week. It's been great studying up on Charles Finney, Billy Graham, Betty Greene, David Livingston, Amy Carmichael, Charles Spurgeon, Nicky Cruz, Hudson & Maria Taylor, and Martin Luther. The plan is to have this 6-month curriculum done by September 15th with an additional two weeks for production. We will be touring the area including several large cities starting in October and continuing through November with workshops encouraging teachers, igniting their vision, and providing the new curriculum for them to put it into action.

There are now something like 100 Sunday school classes in Mexico using our curriculum (as they had nothing else and have been so grateful) but many are now waiting on the next one! (There's nothing like a little pressure.) So, we have a due date for finishing the next one... and the one after that.

I was able to visit a couple churches to see the past two curriculums in action. I loved seeing the class march around and salute (from the Armor of God package,) and well as kids enjoying the soccer world cup themed VBS. One group of teachers is traveling around the two-state region putting on our VBS in every church of their denomination! That's gonna reach 600 kids!

Want to see some more pictures from kids camp, the Armor of God class, or VBS?

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Things can really BUG us

...especially the bugs! Many people, the ones who can afford it, have their houses sprayed once a month. A local Christian is a pro and he decided to get us outfitted to do it ourselves, saving pesos and making it much more convenient. A pump-up sprayer, industrial chemicals, mask and gloves are it. When he was here, he found a bug outside that he was quite respectful of. He called it "cattle killer" and told us to be very careful with these. Which was a little sobering as we killed one in the bedroom a couple weeks ago, We thought it was just plain ugly... then flat.

