

January 2005 Adventures

It's hard to believe we are entering our 5th year of ministry with The Mission Society. As many of you know, we are spending about 4 months in the states, visiting our family and supporters, as well as getting all our doctoring done.

We've spent many evenings visiting (& eating) with many of you. This has been a special time for us as we share what God is doing in our lives as well as in the lives of the people of Paraguay.

This month, we attended the Seeker's Sunday School class as well as the UMM group at Oak Grove UMC in Atlanta, GA. We shared with them using both our Power Point slide show and video.

We met with the team from Cannon/Duluth UMCs planning a short term trip to Paraguay. They are getting excited about seeing all the possibilities available to short term teams in Paraguay.

We attended Duluth UMC services, getting the opportunity to share at their contemporary service and again with one of the Disciple Bible Study groups. This is a church on fire for the Lord, and we look forward to their visit, with Cannon, to Paraguay.

We shared with County Line UMC in Griffin, GA. This church has supported us from the beginning of our ministry. They have a new pastor, Eddie Bradford, and it was a pleasure to get to know him and his wife, Gigi.

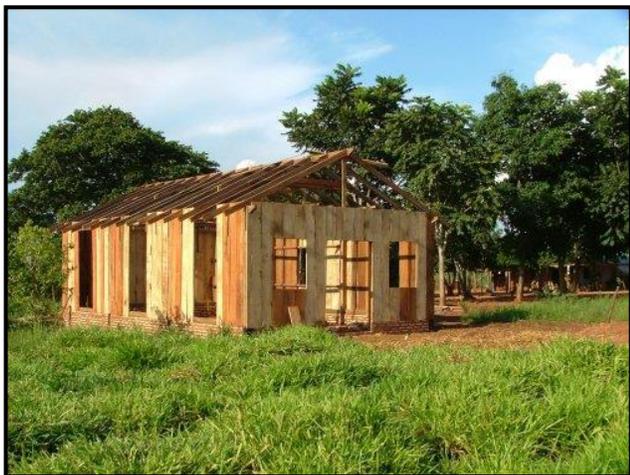
We share a gift from Paraguay with each of our supporting churches. This year, County Line received an Amanacer Cross. This cross is made by a group of "at risk" boys in the capital city of Asuncion. One of our missionary pastors from Brazil has taught the boys how to make art objects by welding metals together. We are pleased to support this ministry and share with churches in the states.



A visit to Atlanta in the winter would not be complete without the annual ice storm. We ended January with icy roads and many churches had to cancel services.

This month, we would like to thank everyone for all the good food, good conversation, and interest in our ministry. Our friendships have grown and deepened, as well as our waist lines!

We would like to share with you photos of our newest church in the North District, Oga Lata. In our absence, the construction is continuing under the direction of Christian Dixon. We look forward to getting back to Paraguay and personally seeing the progress of this small congregation.



*In His Service,
Ed & Linda Baker*