



## NICA NEWS FROM ED & LINDA BAKER DECEMBER, 2009

Besides being cold, December was a special month for us. The first of the month we had the opportunity to visit with the Mission Committee at Dalton UMC. Dalton is not only a supporting church, but they also send teams to work with us – where ever they may find us.

This is not only the birth month of our Savior, Jesus Christ, but our 2<sup>nd</sup> grandson, William Harper Gracey! He missed our daughter Kara's birthday on Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> by just a couple of weeks. What a glorious month for all!

We flew to San Francisco, home of our daughter Rhian and her family on Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>. Our grandson was due on Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>, but Will didn't decide to be born till Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>. We spent the week getting reacquainted with our first grandson, Austin. The plans were for us to "entertain" Austin while Mom & Dad delivered new baby brother. By the 21<sup>st</sup>, Austin was so comfortable with us that he had no problems leaving home to be with us for a full 24 hours. He did ask about Mom & Dad a few times, but we explained Baby Brother was on his way. That's all it took (plus a cookie or two).

While at Rhian's home, we did manage to complete several home projects. We had asked for a list of projects for us to complete. Rhian & James are so busy with a young family that many things just get pushed to the back burner. We enjoyed this portion of our time in their home.

Our daughter, Kara, joined us in California for Christmas. She arrived on Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>, just in time to help with Christmas cookie baking. We can't resist leaving you with just a couple of photos of our growing family.



Rhian, James, Austin, Will & Maggie Gracey



Grandpa & Grandma with Austin



Aunt Kara with Will

January we'll be back in Nicaragua – warmer weather here we come!

**IN HIS SERVICE,  
ED & LINDA BAKER**