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The above photo is the old San Diego well, which was constructed in 1992. The well has served as the primary source of water for the families that live in the area. However, the well is a shallow hand dug well, with a rope pump, and is located in a low lying area. The members of the committee indicated that the well is contaminated, most likely from infiltration of animal waste and other surface activities.

April Showers!

The blessings of God's showers—for us they come in the form of love, prayers, and fellowship with believers. We have been "showered" this month and here are the details.

We finished a well project in Nicaragua. It was a "Skype/E-Mail" well! Colleagues Angi & Ronnie Hopkins, serving in Nicaragua, contacted us about the needs of a small community named San Diego in Nueva Segovia. The community has a well established Community Health Evangelism Committee (CHE), which had identified the need for a clean water source as top priority. We were contacted, and were able to pull together a driller, a group to oversee the project, and funding. Funding for the project came from Fairview UMC, Maryville, TN and from an individual donor.

The photo on the right is the new well at San Diego. The CHE leaders are Darling & Jose Ramirez. The original plans were to install a 1,000 gallon tank, with a 2-3 hp pump. This should provide



water for 18 homes. However, the Ramirez's & leaders still have dreams to extend the water to 70 homes. Pray for their success.

We love to see how believers gather to worship, however that may look. This month we took a short trip to Texas to visit Linda's sister, Judy Grounds. Judy's husband passed away in February, but we didn't get to attend his services. While there, we worshiped at Triple Cross Cowboy Church. This church has different family activities. They were planning a family trail ride—and if you didn't have a horse, you could reserve one! Printed in the bulletin was, "God meets us where we are and calls us to be part of a family. Hang your hat and stay awhile." We didn't have a cowboy hat with us to hang, but we enjoyed the fellowship.

We drove to Valdosta, GA to celebrate our 45th high school reunion with many "old" friends.

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Class of 1968

Here we are with Susan & Rob Dods. Susan has been our friend since the early 1960's – those April Showers of Blessings!



Praying Together

You can be an integral part of our ministry just by joining us in prayer. We have the following praises & concerns:

Continued good health.

Thanks be to God we were able to share His Word in April.

Guidance as we continue to do God's will.

Those that are "thirsty" around the world.

Please forward this Newsletter to others in your group who may be interested in our ministry. If you would prefer to not receive these newsletters in the future, just replay with a "No thank you" in the subject line.

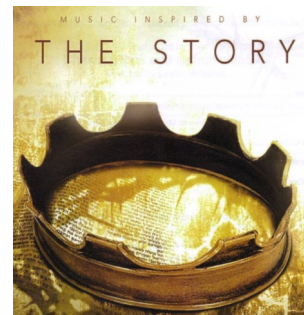


The Things We Learned!



COWBOY CHURCH

Cowboy churches, as defined by Wikipedia: local Christian churches within the cowboy culture...a typical cowboy church may meet in a rural setting...have its own rodeo arena...and baptisms are generally done in a stock tank. Above is a photo of the "baptismal font" at Triple Cross Cowboy Church, Granbury, TX.



God's Music

While in Valdosta, we worshiped

at Valdosta First UMC. This is the church we were married at in 1969 (not a typo). The Sunday we were there, the choir presented a musical called "The Story". Where do we begin to tell you how absolutely wonderful this musical is!! If you ever get a chance to hear/see/feel this wonderful music—DO!

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