



Agua de Vida (Water of Life)

Newsletter of
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Using the gift of good, clean abundant water to share the gospel of Jesus Christ

What's in a name? We hope you notice the name change of the organization with which we serve. Our logo has stayed the same; incomplete on the left side—signifying that the task of bringing all the world to Christ is incomplete. We have added the word “Global” to our name to reinforce our commitment to engage in global ministry. The word “Mission” has been removed to help those colleagues serving in potentially dangerous countries where just the word “Mission” can be a threat. This change has also effected how we receive your donations. Please note at the end of the newsletter the new address information for donations.

YEAH!! We have a well at the Trinity Children's Center in Liberia at long last! Living Water International came in February, 2017, to drill the well, and install a hand pump! We hope to return to Liberia for the dedication to God for His provisions of water of the world, and His Living Water of Salvation.

It's always great to use a local drilling company on our international projects such as this. Not only does LWI drill wells, but they also provide maintenance training for the new well owners. This is a blessing, and helps make the project more sustainable. To God be the Glory!



March 2017 we were both back in Nicaragua helping Ronnie & Angi Hopkins!

After waiting for 2 years, Ronnie had assured the leaders of the community of Siviwás that they were next on the list for a water project. However—he did not yet have a project sponsor! But God had it all worked out. The Seekers Sunday School Class at Oak Grove Methodist Church had contacted us looking for another project to sponsor. So we contacted Ronnie and he said yes indeed, a project was



ready and waiting. In March Ed was able to visit the community and do a good bit of planning on the project. Like the other projects along the Rio Bocay they will tap a spring in the hills above the community and pipe the water to the homes. The project is ongoing and we look forward to hearing about the delivery of abundant, clean water when they are done. Here are photos of the spring and the church.



Linda stayed in Managua the first week, helping Angi Hopkins. She had the pleasure of staying with Angi's Mom, Lotti Priester. Lotti is 92 years young, and born in Germany. Lotti & her husband, Hans, didn't immigrate to the US till April, 1960. She was a nurse in Germany during WWII, and has a wealth of knowledge about the war, Germany, and just general life! Linda enjoyed just visiting with Lottie as well as helping Lotti take walks in the park across the street from her home.

The following week we went to a project in the northern hill country with Angi. She has been working with the ladies in the community of Motuse with health and hygiene programs and was going to deliver some fabric that a church in the US had donated. The



neighboring community of Las Peñas has very limited water supply. There is a hand dug well in the center of the community but the rock is shallow and the well goes

dry in the summer—and even then the water is of poor quality.

Angi's hope is to drill a well for the folks that live there—which would also encourage others to move to



the area. Luckily it is possible for a drill rig to get to the area and we are waiting for some quotes from nearby drillers. Please pray for this needed project.



Ed, Linda, Lotti, Angi, Ronnie



We are now 10! On October 22, 2016, Kara became Kara Hedrick as we welcomed Chris into our family. It was a blessed celebration as Rhian & James Gracey and our 4 handsome grandsons joined us from CA. The wedding was at our home here in Eatonton, GA, which made it even more special.



February 10, 2017, we were in Kankakee, IL for the wedding of Nolberto & Cassidy Vera. Nolberto is the son of a Pastor in Paraguay. We were joined with Colleen & John Eisenberg. We served with them in Paraguay, and it was such a joy to be with them for this blessed event.



We attended another celebration in January, 2017. Linda's last living sister passed away in September. We celebrated her "homecoming" with her 2 sons, their wives, and many family members. Judy Grounds' favorite color was red, and she loved playing games. We spent the day wearing red with our blue jeans, playing dominos, and remembering her beautiful life.



Passport to Missions was the theme at the 45th annual Missions Conference at Christ United Methodist Church in Milton, FL. We were there in 2015, attending their 43rd Annual Conference. It was an honor to be invited again as this enthusiastic congregation celebrated for the 45th year all the different missions they support.

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