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**H**ave you ever gone on an overseas mission trip? Do you remember the apprehension you had wondering if you'll have trouble going through customs or the possibility of losing your luggage? Or wondering how you will do not knowing the language? All these came back to me when we visited our daughter and her family in Uruguay. None of my concerns were warranted. That didn't stop me from having the same apprehensions while leaving the country.



Beyond my fears, I was reminded just how faith-changing those trips can be. In fact, walking through those anxious situations with God is a large part of how we grow in our faith on a mission trip. Another part of growing in faith is adapting to a new culture.



Some of the new culture may be inconvenient but makes good sense like having to go to market daily because of lack of refrigeration. Other parts of the culture we may never understand like someone from another culture coming to the US and wondering why Americans blow their noses into a special cloth and save it in their back pockets. Learning not to be judgmental and



being open to differences in others is a wonderful opportunity to grow in grace.

On this trip I so appreciated learning a little humility while sitting in a small Spanish church's Sunday school class. The class was taught by a different teacher each week. As my daughter and son-in-law gave the gist of the lesson, I was amazed at the depth these rural laymen had on the scriptures. It was humbling to realize I had nothing on these men with all my Bible College education because they were taught by and **had** to trust in the Holy Spirit of God to prepare their lessons. Seeking the Holy Spirit's guidance is a good reminder for us with so many resources at our fingertips.



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 **On The Move** 

**Missionary Residents**

Home	Name	Country	Mission	Phone #	From Date	To Date
103A	Susan Robbins	Lithuania	Int. Institute for Christian Studies	(856) 925-1075	June '12	August '12
106	Tim & Ruth Allen	USA	Pastoral Ministry	(856) 925-1077	Present	June '13
108	Bob & Wanda McRae	Guatemala	Assistant Director	(856) 925-1087	Staff	
112	Jim & Joanne Callahan		Director	(856) 925-1073	Staff	
112A	Scott Taylor	Africa	ABWE	(856) 679-0936	Present	December '13
116	Marcos & Simone Grancanato	Brazil	Word of Life	(856) 925-1074	July '12	December '12
118	Lauren Pupchik	Guatemala	Mission Impact	(856) 679-0935	Present	January '14
120	Michael & Vanessa Cox	Brazil	Word of Life	(856) 679-0934	Present	June '14
123	Jay & Beverly Bellamy	Rep. of Congo	Christian & Missionary Alliance	(856) 679-0938	July '12	June '13
124	Mike & Kathy Tardive	Italy	Baptist World Mission	(856) 361-2005	July '12	March '13
125	Mark & Becki Forman	India	Ramabai Mission	(856) 361-2009	Present	July '12
126	Harold & Shawne Ebersole	Bangladesh	ABWE	(856) 361-2006	Present	September '12
128	Lane & Lisa Friesen	Kazakhstan	Global Advancement Corp.	(856) 679-0937	July '12	December '12
130	Joel & Margaret DeHart	Pakistan	Interserve	(856) 679-0939	Present	August '12
132	Dave & Ruth Ann Rogers	Chile	ABWE	(856) 679-0940	July '12	June '13
133	Carlos & Neyzi Reyes	Guatemala	Maintenance	(856) 679-0933	Staff	

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These kinds of life lessons and opportunities to grow in faith are what make mission trips so profitable to us personally and for the enrichment of our churches. We bring back a renewed understanding of what God is doing outside our local church bubble. We're refreshed with a new excitement of being a part of God's Great Commission both in our church and in the lives of our church missionaries.

I can't think of a better way to enhance our enthusiasm and motivation to serve Christ. I want to encourage all who are able to consider the **faith-changing** experience of an overseas mission trip. -Jim



# Conference Bathroom Update

We weren't able to get the team from Rochester this Spring. We had hoped they could start the conference room bathroom. We're working on



permits and hope to have them soon. **W. R. Bommer plumbing** has volunteered to do the plumbing at cost. We would love to get a church involved in framing and finishing the bathroom sometime this year.



What a great job **Calvary Bible Church** did power washing the block houses and painting the old metal siding. It looks super! It's been on my project list for a few years and we've never been able to fit it in.



**Grace Bible Church** teens and adults came and worked hard on our gardens. The front garden, the office garden and some of the home gardens have been transformed. Thanks guys!

**Easton Bible** sent a group of 8 youth and adults during a world hunger fast and serve weekend. They scraped and painted and did some gardening.



And thank you to **Grace Bible of Elmer** for the generous gift of toys their Pioneer Clubs donated. It was a great day of pizza and fun!



## New Siding & Roof for home #133

We are so grateful for **Grace Bible Church's** offer to side house #133 with new vinyl siding! If we provide the materials and have the roof done, they will put new siding around the whole house and garage. It really needs it. It has asbestos shingles that are in bad shape and we've been patching the roof of the garage where we store our extra linens and household supplies for a few years now. The house is going to look so good with a light maple vinyl siding. Joanne can't wait for her linen room to stop leaking during rain storms. We've started a project fund to help defray the costs of the roof and siding materials. We figure the cost to be about \$10,000. I love the visual improvements that enhance the look of the property for our missionaries.



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# Book Sale and Craft Show

We had our Book Sale/Craft Show the last weekend in April. We only had about eight crafters. It was tough to get people to commit to do an outdoor show. With the drop in temperature and the heavy breeze we had, I can understand why. The turnout was a bit low but our books sold well.

We'll stick with the book sale for the Fall. It will be September 28, 29 from 9 to noon. See you there!

## Household Donations...

Some have asked me if we still take household items since we're not doing the yard sales any more. We sure do! We try to use them in our homes and the remainder go to auction.

## Fuel For Prayer

**Praise the Lord** the Fox family has accepted a pastorate in the Lancaster area. Thank you for praying for them as they sought God's direction.

**Pray** for our homes to flourish throughout the year meeting the needs of missionary families.

**Praise the Lord** for Grace Bible Church's offer to do the labor of siding home #133.

**Pray** for Beth Smith as she fights through her cancer.

**Pray** for a church to help us frame and finish the conference bathroom.

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