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WHAT ARE WE DOING?

God is keeping us physically and spiritually busy. We have had a lot of company and hosted visitors since late January. We've had different missionaries staying with us from a weekend to 12 days and it has been great!

We are still studying Spanish with some supplemental classes – we will always be studying Spanish! But our skills are improving. Thank the Lord.

PASTORAL CARE COORDINATORS AND LANGUAGE SCHOOL SUPERVISORS

We have the privilege of caring for the CAM Guatemala missionaries. Our responsibilities have just begun and we are excited to become involved in their lives. We spent a profitable few days here with pastoral care leaders from CAM's Dallas office (see photo) which really helped to equip us for this ministry.



Also, we have been appointed language supervisors for new CAM missionaries studying Spanish in Antigua, Guatemala. This too is a joy because we know the difficulties of being in transition, in a new country and learning a language.

FAMILY

Our youngest son Tim was with us for over 3 months and returned to Dallas on April 21. His visit was an answer to prayer. God brought him here by way of New York and now is taking him back to Dallas to get a job and return to school – probably UNT in Denton.

Our eldest son Neil visited us for 4 days. It was a quick but extremely meaningful visit for us all. This was Neil's first visit since a mission's trip about 12 years ago. Therefore, it was good for him to see that we are safe and securely in God's hands. (In the photo we are eating at one of our favorite, quaint restaurants in Antigua.)



Dianne's mother, Faye Stricklin, who lives in Tyler, Texas, is going through a difficult time with emotional health concerns. It is important for Dianne to spend time with her mom and other family members while a path to

recovery is evaluated. Dianne returned to Texas with Tim on April 21. We aren't sure how long the trip will be. Dianne will be viewing and answering her email, as she has time, which is sent to diana@wdmerritt.com, her email address with her Spanish name.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Emotional healing for Dianne's mother and guidance for her future – specifically, future care for Faye and where she should live.
- A job for Tim and inexpensive and convenient place to live in far North Dallas or south Denton County. (If you know of a housing situation, please let us know.)
- Wendell will be without Dianne for an extended period of time. Please pray for him while he continues in Guatemala.
- God's continued ministry guidance here in Guatemala.

Thank you for your friendship and continued support!

Wendell & Dianne

OPPORTUNITY FOR NEW CHURCH AND COMMUNITY CENTER

A valley area of very poor people without running water 45 minutes away from the Capital has a great need for the Living Water of Jesus. The largest and most remote of 3 villages has about 5,000 native Mayans and no evangelical church for several miles.

Missionaries here are coming together to help. Perhaps **some of you** would be interested to organize into teams to come build a church building and community center for feeding and medical programs. A local young man is in pastoral training and a mother church in the Capital will oversee this church plant.

Let us know if you are interested in joining a team or forming one. Contact us and we can provide more detailed information.

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