

## **Wendell Merritt**

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### **FROM GUATEMALA**



We are so thankful...

The year of 2005 ended and 2006 began with great blessings and answered prayer from the Lord. While in Texas these past weeks, we had wonderfully rich visits with many of you. We shared meals, had tea, coffee and cider, feasted on delicious treats you made, chatted about your families and children, talked about what God had been doing in your lives and ours, laughed together, prayed together, and thanked God together.

We were stretched in many ways during 2005, experienced God's grace and protection here in Guatemala and are so thankful for the opportunity to serve cross culturally. This spring we will have been in Guatemala for two years! We are very thankful!

Now the Lord is moving us again – back to Dallas to care for Dianne's mother, Faye, who is in the early stages of Alzheimer's. Last year was especially difficult for Faye and now we as a family have more understanding of why it was so difficult. At this time, she doesn't need specialized care. However, she can't live alone so she will move into our home in Dallas. We are thankful!

We will transition from CAM Guatemala Pastoral Care to Pastoral Care throughout the CAM fields and based from the mission center in Dallas. God has been gracious to us in changing our location back to our roots in Dallas but maintaining our ministry in pastoral care and staying on with CAM International. We are so glad. We also hope to serve in a Spanish outreach in the Dallas metroplex. There is much we don't yet know about our new responsibilities, but we do know the Lord is asking us to follow Him wherever He leads us. We are thankful!

The Lord led us here to Guatemala with very clear direction and the support of many friends, and we arrived in April 2004 after a lengthy process of decision and preparation. During this window of time, Dianne's mother was in fairly good health. Now the conditions of that window have changed. Our ministry here and our passion has been care giving. Now, our family needs us to be more available. We are thankful for God's direction!

Neil and Brandy moved out of our Dallas home in November and into a great home for their family. We are thankful!

Our son, Wayne has accepted a new position in Austin, Texas teaching adaptive technology at the state training center! We moved him into his apartment in Austin, January 20 – 22. We are thankful!

Timothy waits tables at Trulucks and lives nearby in a cute apartment in Addison and is continuing his education at the University of North Texas. He is well. We are thankful!

We are all beginning new chapters in our journey with the Lord. We are very thankful!

With much love and appreciation,  
 Wendell & Dianne

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