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The Terlingua Church is Almost Done!!



You still have time to help build's God house in Terlingua. The schedule and Chad's contact details are on the back of this newsletter.



A Personal Note

I was privileged to be home in the States from Singapore for 3 weeks in early March. My oldest son, Aaron, joined me for a week on the road delivering food and having a day of fun and fellowship working in Terlingua on our church building project.

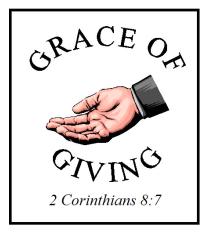
To our ministry partners along the border: I love you all and am humbled to be able to serve our Lord at your side.

To my family: I miss you more than you will ever know when I am away, which makes my time with you a treasure

I have hidden away in my heart.

To my friends: I miss your smiles and laughter and especially your wise counsel.

I praise God every day for the love He has shown me - often through one of you. God bless you all!!



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Grace of Giving

Grace of Giving is a non-profit, charitable organization that is exempt from federal income tax as a 501(c)(3) organization. Accordingly, the Internal Revenue Service has advised that all contributions to Grace of Giving may be deducted for federal income tax purposes as specified in section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our priorities for using your gifts are to purchase food and to purchase fuel to deliver the food. The officers of Grace of Giving accept no compensation for their services and currently cover all of their travel expenses.

Officers

Greg Beard — President & **Treasurer** Dara Beard — Vice President Pastor Keith Blanton — Secretary

Memorials

Grace of Giving received these memorials in March and early April:

- from Dee Anna Nichols, in memory of Clifford Bronstad and Charles Moore and also in memory of Velma White, mother of our FBC Clifton friend, Claude White;
- to honor the memory of Ina Louise Maxson, mother of our friends from FBC Clifton, Betty Wise, from:
 - Betty Barrs;
 - Paul & Ann Hollingsworth;

- Bill & Diana McCleary;
- the Dahl Family Living Trust; and
- the FBC Clifton Adult II Sunday School class.
- from Bert, Mary Jo & Brad Maddux in honor of both Ina Louise Maxson (in this case as a special remembrance for her granddaughter, Tami Asikis) and Velma White.

We are very pleased to be able to dedicate our April activities to honor these loved ones in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

Update from Fabens

It continues to be especially stressful and incredibly dangerous for the pastors serving near Juarez (just across the border from El Paso) where the drug violence is especially horrible. Please pray that they and their families would remain safe and that God would give them just the right words to comfort others and handle the frequent, unbelievably difficult circumstances they encounter.

Building Schedule Update

Here's the latest on our volunteer work schedule for the New Jerusalem church building project in Terlingua, Texas:



Task 1 (March 8-12): Frame the walls and roof trusses; deck roof.



✓ Task 2 (March 15-19): Install soffits and siding.



✓ Task 3 (April 15-18): Hang drywall.

Task 4 (April 19-30): Texture, tape and bed drywall.

Task 5 (April 29 - May 2): Install trim.

Task 6 (May 20-23): Final trim out.

Please contact Chad Kroeker (ckroeker@centurymech.com or 817-781-0645) if you have some building skills and want to help!

Financial Report

We've now made 3 food delivery trips during 2010, and Gary Waller will be arriving home from trip 4 at about the time we get this newsletter in the mail to you. Food costs for the first 3 trips were \$20,897.92.

You will no doubt recall that our last newsletter reported that we were already (after only 2 trips in 2010) some \$5,700 behind in our annual goal of having contributions meet or exceed food costs.

Here's the wonderful news! Our YTD contributions available for food purchases now total \$29,972.32. That means we've erased the deficit and still have enough in the bank to more than cover April's food costs!! wow! What an awesome God we serve!

Thank you for your faithful support of Grace of Giving. It is increasingly difficult for those along the border just to exist, and your generosity means that we do not have to curtail any of our current deliveries.

Please just pray with us that we will continue to be blessed with adequate resources - and wisdom to use them well!