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Mission Newsletter

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A Personal Note

Our life has been filled with milestones and new experiences since our last report. Perhaps the most significant is that we concluded our full-time ministry with the Main and Oklahoma church at the end of August. We appreciate the willingness of this church to continue to serve as our overseeing congregation. We will continue to help with various aspects of the local ministry in a part-time role when we are at home. We can always be reached through the church—the office number appears at the end of this report. It is hard to believe that 40+ years of ministry have passed by so quickly!

Mission and Ministry

An important part of our mission work is our involvement at **Baxter Institute** where I serve as chairman of the board of directors. A board project with which I have been heavily involved is the new construction of a **president's house** on campus. The picture (right) shows the contractor and me on site after a meeting. The project is about 90% funded, but there is still a need for funds. *If you would like to assist with the finalization of the project (or furnishings) contact me for more information.*



The end of <u>September</u> includes a Baxter executive committee meeting followed by a gospel meeting in Arkansas. <u>October</u> scheduling includes Quest at Oklahoma Christian and two weeks with the Holmes Road church in Lansing for a mission emphasis and two weekend leadership seminars. We will attend the Pan-American Lectureship the first week of <u>November</u>. Coincidentally, this year's lectureship is in Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

It is not too late to plan to be part of the 2010 graduation trip to Baxter, December 1-6. Details are on the Baxter website: www.baxterinstitute.edu. I would be honored to share the Baxter story with you firsthand. Also if you would like to participate in a 2011 mission trip, please contact me and I will help you plan to accompany us or help you connect with another group.

Our Expanding Ministry

We have not found our schedule slowed down as we transition out of full-time local ministry. In fact, our schedule and activities seem to have accelerated. Jan and I spent four weeks of August in Michigan with the **Holmes Road church in Lansing** in an interim ministry. We worked with this church for 11 years in the 1970s and 1980s. We are especially thankful that this church is helping financially with our mission work.



On September 12 I spoke at the Iglesia de Cristo--Park Plaza in Tulsa,

where the church was celebrating their fourth anniversary. I taught the Bible class and preached about the nature of the church and God's mission. Afterward, we shared a wonderful fellowship meal. The attendance of 64—46 plus 18 in the children's class—was a record! Francisco and Millie Davila are involved in a great ministry with the church. I first met Francisco and Millie at **Baxter Institute** when they traveled to Honduras to celebrate their graduation from **the CELO program**.

Also in September I had the privilege of talking to **Dr. Dudley Chancey's "Teaching Adolescents" Bible class at OC**. Afterward we met with **Levi Walker** to begin planning for a summer 2011 mission trip for the **Main and Oklahoma church**. We hope that the **Fort Gibson church** will join us on this trip.

I was scheduled to spend a week in **Honduras** in mid-September but that trip was postponed due to various factors. I expect this trip to be rescheduled soon. Please pray about this trip as it could turn out to be very significant for the future of several works in Latin America.

Thank You for your Prayers and Support!



Since our last report, we received a generous gift from the Holmes Road church of Christ, Lansing, MI. We are thankful for the continued interest of the North Side church, Mena, AR. If you want to get involved in this mission work or are seeking a specific project you can help with, please contact us. We are thankful for your prayers and support and for your love for missions. We are grateful for the opportunity to be involved in the spread of the kingdom in Latin America.

Tax deductible contributions for this mission work may be made payable to *Main and Oklahoma Church of Christ*, marked "Bob and Jan Missions" and sent to **1108**Ono Ct, McAlester, OK 74501. We provide regular financial reports to all contributors and all who ask.

Que Dios le bendiga (may God bless you), Bob and Jan Young

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The picture above is an overview of Tegucigalpa, capital city of Honduras, home of Baxter Institute. I love this picture because it reminds me of the multitudes around the world who are without Jesus and without eternal hope.