



## The Good News of Jesus is the hope of the world!

--Bob Young

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Pictured at left are members of the team that went to Honduras in July. Eight different congregations were represented. Group members taught VBS in the public schools, assisted with construction projects, worked with various benevolence and service projects, and worked in an evangelistic campaign and in teaching Bible studies.

The campaign in San Isidro had as its goal to establish a new congregation. At right you see the building site, the campaign tent in place, and the building now

almost completed. (The same tree is pictured in all three photos.) The preacher is in place and the work is moving forward.

Plans for the summer 2007 group are now being developed. If you would like to spend a week in hard, but rewarding work, this is a great experience. Contact me if you have an interest in going or would like more information.

### What we are trying to do....

We cannot say too often what we are trying to do. Our primary purpose is to provide support to local churches and preachers to help them do what they could not do on their own or what would require an extraordinary amount of time. We can be arms, legs, strong backs and mouths, multiplying the efforts of our brothers and sisters around the world, helping them progress more rapidly than would be the case otherwise.

We do not want to start and then leave efforts that the local brethren cannot sustain on their own after we are gone. This means we focus on bringing glory and honor to God through the local congregations and on providing support services and temporary assistance for their ongoing works. A special focus of my efforts is in providing training for ministers and church leaders.

Ongoing needs in the work in Honduras include financial support for preacher training and for local national preachers, and funding for benevolence work and church planting, including church buildings. You may make contributions to **Edmond Church of Christ** and earmark **Bob Young—Honduras**. When you send the check, include a note indicating which specific project or projects you wish to support. To insure that funds are applied as you wish and to receive continuing updates on this work, please mail all contributions to **Bob and Jan Young, 205 Ainsley Ct, Edmond, OK 73034**.







## Colombia-Venezuela

I spent the first week of October in Santa Marta, Colombia where I served as a speaker and resource person at an encuentro (retreat) for elders and preachers from Venezuela and Colombia. Other speakers were Dan Coker, Bob Brown, and Bob Miranda (pictured with a brother from Venezuela). The retreat was a first in that workers from the two countries had not met together in such a forum before. The retreat was also unique in that it gathered brothers from the Atlantic to the Pacific. A highlight



of the week was the shared worship and devotional times. The devotional on the last day of the retreat was special--the fellowship and unity demonstrated were inspiring (pictured below, left).



On Sunday I worshiped with the North Bogota church and taught the adult Bible class. I was a blessed to be hosted by Rafael Valderrama and his wife, Sonia.

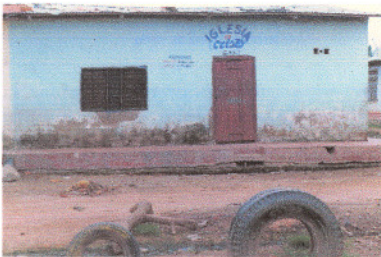
In Santa Marta, I was able to spend some time with Carlos Escobar, a graduate of Baxter who now works with a new church plant. This young church has property and has erected the first stage of its building so they



have an open air gathering place with some protection from the elements. The church has about 30 members and is growing. Carlos is doing a great work (pictured at right with his son).

## How you can help....

We publish reports to increase awareness of the opportunities God provides and to help God's people lift their eyes to the harvest. Around the world fields are white unto harvest. Our purpose is to highlight special places, works, and needs where your contributions and prayers can make a difference. The Lord is blessing his people with tremendous opportunities. Souls are being saved, lives are being changed. We solicit your prayers for the multiplied opportunities God provides as we work to take the gospel into the entire world. We are constantly aware of needs. We shamelessly ask you to share your resources to help others hear the good news. All funds collected are used for projects, literature, and teaching. For example, the El Varal church (building pictured at left) in Colombia needs a small amount of help in their outreach efforts. The church in Mena, Arkansas is working to meet most of that need. Details of how you can help financially appear in the shaded box below.



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