

HONDURAS 2016

"But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:19). Don't you love it when God meets our need even before we know we have a need? Our plans were to pour the concrete floor, build pews and install windows. Money was sent ahead to have all our supplies ready when we arrived. They were all there plus three doors. Some prepared the floor and poured the concrete while others began sanding and staining parts



that would eventually become pews. Darron worked with Cesar his welder friend from last year on the windows and Todd went between windows and plumbing. The pews were completed in two and one-half days and we quickly realized we couldn't leave them in a church with no doors. Paul started counting and we had more openings than we had doors. Dan said, "We're out of money." I remembered my friend saying use this money anywhere you have a need because on a construction trip, unexpected needs always come." I told Dan that we had the money so get what we needed to hang the doors. He told Pastor Julio that we had the money and doors would be hung before we left. Pastor



began to weep and shared how the Lord had awakened him at 4am to pray. He asked God to supply the money for the doors because the church didn't have it. "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you" (Matthew 7:7).

I continue to be amazed at how the Lord puts a team together. This year we poured the concrete floor so God added to our team Harry, a flooring man. For the pews and windows, we needed a painter. He gave us Adrian, who has been painting for 25 years. They had one toilet set-up but needed the other plumbed and we had plumber Todd. Elaine said the whole process reminded her of building the tabernacle in Exodus. He provided the workmanship; who and what they needed just as He did for us.



Those who didn't have a specific role just jumped in where a need arose and got the job done. Bob even put a sander in my hand. Once Elaine showed me how to turn it on and Jesse gave me gloves and told me to use two hands, I helped sand



boards for two days. The Honduran motto for everything is we can fit just one more. What a thrill to build a pew "for just one more", praying that just one more will come to know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them" (Ephesians 2:10).



The highlight of our week was the dedication service on Friday night. Jesse told our church that being at the dedication service with standing room only and 50 people standing in the rain looking through the window is worth the trip, the work and the heat. Paul reminded us in our first devotion that each person we meet is an eternal being. We tried to be that living testimony that week to each one that came by, to the alcoholic that worked with us each day and to every child that we gave Dum-Dum Pops or a MoonPie. Then worshipping with them, singing How Great Thou Art (in two languages) gave us all a tiny glimpse of Heaven, where one day every kindred, tongue, people and nation will proclaim "Worthy is the Lamb" (Revelation 5:9;12). Don't you love it when God shows up?



"In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths (Proverbs 3:6). So many times we don't understand why God changes our directions but we know it is best because we trust our sovereign God. Granny Wilson, a team member's mother, became very ill so we felt God leading us to postpone the trip to Tanzania, Africa. Please pray for Granny to continue to improve, direction to reschedule and for our team leaving for Brazil on June 2. This will be the first mission trip for five people so pray for the Satterfield family and Milissa Johnson, their families and each of us that the Holy Spirit will speak through us and the people will not see us but only Christ in us, the hope of Glory!

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