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BUILDING EACH OTHER UP

It is hard to believe it, but 2019 is halfway gone. It has been a busy and exciting time here at FaithWorks, and we have been supported and loved in all that we have done. 1 Thessalonians 5:11 states, *“Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.”* Your encouragement and support of FaithWorks is very much appreciated, and you keep us going with all that you do! So far in 2019, we have had 89 missionaries going out with us on 8 mission trips including Africa, Mexico, and locally in Flagstaff. We have donated over \$50,000 in medicine, construction material, and labor. We have been supported by prayers, donations, time, materials, and money. It has been a great year so far, and I am excited to see what the rest of the year will bring!

We recently put out a request for donations to upgrade and maintain Pastor Temba’s vehicle, also known as “The Donkey.” This vehicle, which was donated by FaithWorks, is the workhorse of Pastor Temba’s ministry in Africa. With it he is able to get people the care they need and transport much-needed supplies out to the Bush. We were able to upgrade his vehicle with a roof rack and a brush bumper, along with some routine maintenance. Thank you for your donations and making this happen.

Since the last newsletter, FaithWorks has served in Agua Prieta Mexico with a medical clinic, and we



gave a much-needed facelift to Hope Cottage here in Flagstaff. Articles on both of these mission trips are in this newsletter. In the coming months FaithWorks will be serving at Birchwood Camp in Chugiak Alaska, where we will be fixing up the camp after a busy season of serving Christian campers; we have a medical supply mission in Mexico, where we will be bringing medical supplies and fixing up the clinic in Agua Prieta; and we have a construction mission to the Church of God Holiness church in Leupp AZ.

FaithWorks has accomplished a lot in 2019 and we know that we will finish the year strong. Your encouragement and support mean so much, you richly bless us, and those that we serve.

On Mission With You,
Tony



Mexico medical mission trip in May 2019.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ANNUAL BARN SALE – OCTOBER 4-5

This year the proceeds from the Barn Sale will go towards the roof replacement project for the Church of God Holiness out near Leupp!

We are pushing back the sale to October 4th and 5th so that it will be a little cooler for everyone. We are already storing away usable items for the sale and would love for you to bring your donations straight to us. Please call Amy at (928) 699-8138 to make arrangements. If you need help with moving your donation, give us a call and we can work out a time to come by and pick it up!

MISSION TO HOPE

We originally planned the June mission to be with Sunshine Rescue Mission in the men's facility. As the day grew nearer and we spoke with the Executive Director, Stephanie Boardman, it became clear that their women's facility, Hope Cottage, needed us more. We were ready, willing and able to go, and what they needed us to do was to *paint!*

Our team was 13 strong, from 8 different churches. We started the day with prayer and devotions, then the Facility Manager, Sharon Rose Wilcox, told us a little about Hope Cottage and shared a couple stories of grace and healing for the women there. Sharon's commitment and love for these women and this ministry is very evident in her grace-filled and compassionate leadership. We were inspired to work hard and paint everything they needed us to. We prepped, painted and cleaned up two large dorm rooms, one very large bathroom and a large laundry room. We also hung new window coverings on the windows. We were really racing against the clock to finish but, wow, it looked great when we were done!

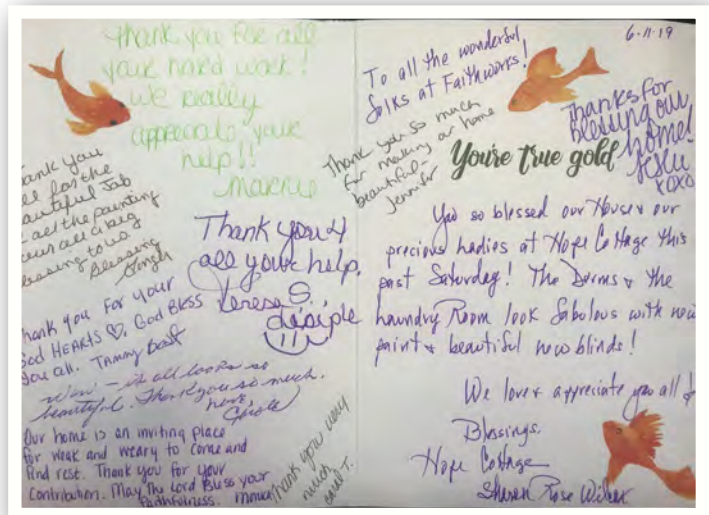
Just one of the wonderful things that happened that day was a surprise visitor. Pastor Philemon Wachara from The Presence Community Church heard of our mission day at Hope and collected a love offering from some of the men at his church. He came by and presented \$180 to FaithWorks to help with this mission! FaithWorks was thrilled to turn right around and offer this gift to Hope Cottage *and* a few days later, to match this gift with another \$180! This really helped cover the cost of the paint.

Thank you Pastor Philemon and The Presence Community Church for sharing your love and an offering. Thank you to Sharon and all the ladies from Hope Cottage who provided the team with hot coffee, snacks and a wonderful lunch. And thank you to the missionaries who gave not only their time, energy and love but also contributed monetarily! All of us together can really make a difference. Can you come next time? We sure hope so!

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR MEXICO

With three medical missions to Agua Prieta *every* year, our list of needed items is an ever-present opportunity for you! Thank you for collecting these items for people who are so in need and very grateful for all we can do for them:

- Vitamins – any kind, any size
- Soaps, shampoo, conditioner, lotion, chapstick, razors – small size
- Walmart brand glucometer and/or test strips (only \$9 a box!)
- Funds to purchase needed medicines
- An Optometrist – do you know anyone that might want to join us?



A thank you card from Hope Cottage.



HUMBLY SERVING

This was our second trip to Mexico this year for the Mexico Medical Clinic at Fuente de Vida church in Agua Prieta, Mexico, and it was a good one! This was the second trip that Amy and I have led to Mexico, and our confidence level was pretty high. Then we realized we forgot keys to the storage unit in Douglas, keys to open the clinic, and the trip notebook that had all kinds of useful information in it... like a checklist of what you are not supposed to forget. Ephesians 4:2 tells us to “*Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.*”

All went well as our awesome team lifted us up and successfully put on a great medical mission for the people of Agua Prieta. The Fuente de Vida Church blessed us when they held a special recognition for Dr. Bill Austin, thanking him for his many years of service, treating and providing much needed medical care for the children and parents in the community.

There were 9 people from 7 different churches that pulled together to make this a great trip. We were able to treat 127 patients who came to see our dentist and three doctors. We used up a lot of our medications and will be looking to get restocked by our next trip in November. Any donations to the Mexico Medication fund would be appreciated. We look forward to seeing you on the next Medical mission, or one of the many other trips that are coming up.



Bill Austin receives a plaque for his care of the Agua Prieta children.

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- sending \$_____monthly to help with on-going mission ministries.
- praying for you.

Name _____

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Mission Trip Participants, May-June, 2019

Hope Cottage/Sunshine Rescue Mission Team—Tony & Amy Casali, Alan Purchase, Linda VanDeren, Bill Stafford, Steve Gibbs, Phil Hall, Jerry Korn, Mike & Danna Alvey, Donna Curry, Dave Hoffman, and Allyn Rumbolt

Mexico Medical Mission Team—Tony & Amy Casali, Bill Austin, Gigi Sorenson, Camelia Gembala, Matthew Dunn, Julie Schneider, Kaitlin Schneider, and Rick Emry

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FAITHWORKS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION JULY 26!

FaithWorks Christians in Missions friends and family are warmly invited to a Birthday celebration for FaithWorks! Founding Director and Trip Coordinator Glen and Jan Allen will be our special guests along with the staff, board members and current Executive Director and Trip Coordinator, Tony and Amy Casali. There will be cake, coffee and a few other goodies available to enjoy. All we need is you and a few fun mission stories.

Please join us at the FaithWorks offices on **Friday, July 26th from 1:00-4:00**, 1501 West Forest Meadows Street in Flagstaff. Hope to see you there!



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