

## **Honduras Mission Partnership within Carlisle Presbytery God is working in Honduras!**

Our partnership in Honduras continues to grow. In the fall of 2015 our presbytery began praying for a mission co-worker in Honduras. We are also putting our prayers into action by raising funds for the position and continuing to travel there for relationship and home building. It's now the fall of 2016 and while we don't have a co-worker yet, we expect one for sure! PCUSA has posted the position and is seeking applications. The search team which includes a member of Carlisle Presbytery will be meeting soon to design the search process and begin interviews.

Hopefully, all this means that as you read this in November of 2017, we have a mission co-worker on site in Honduras! Hopefully you have been actively praying for our mission co-worker. Hopefully their transition to Honduras has been peaceful and well supported by the church at home and in Honduras. And perhaps, we've even hosted our mission co-worker in our Presbytery before they left. Because God is good we trust that these things have been happening for some time now.

Meanwhile, our home building partnership continues. Here is a list of families whose well-being has been strengthened by our work with the Presbytery of Honduras:

- 2010 - Juan and Maria, Santos and Francesca
- 2011 - Rene and Mercedes (Mercedes deceased 2014)
- 2012 - Maria Elena and Exsel, Betzabe and her sisters and father
- 2013 - Doris, Armando
- 2014 - Sandra
- 2015 - Retreat Center building, Denia and Fernando
- 2016 - Pasita, Carmen, Peña
- 2017 - Member of Pena de Horeb, Member of Roca de Israel

Most of these patriarchs/matriarchs care for children and grandchildren in their homes as well; dozens have benefitted from the gift of safe and stable homes. We began building homes in 2010 but our partnership with the Presbyterian Church of Honduras began in 2006 so that makes 2016 our 10-year anniversary. It's amazing to see how God has blessed our relationships and given our Presbytery something new to gather us together. Thanks be to God for what the churches in Carlisle, in our denomination, and in Honduras have accomplished in Honduras, unified by the Holy Spirit working in our midst.

Please pray for: Tracey King-Ortega, World Mission Regional Liaison to Central America  
Valdir Franca, World Mission area coordinator for Latin American and the Caribbean  
Our new mission co-worker in Honduras, Rev. Dori Kay Hjalmarson  
The people of Honduras who live, work, and daily serve with love in difficult circumstances.

Scripture: "Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God." Ephesians 5:1-2

Let us pray: Holy God, every family on earth takes its name from you. You bless us with the gift of your Holy Spirit, strengthening us and grounding us in love. Help us comprehend what is the breadth and length and height and depth of your love in our Lord Jesus Christ. As our partnership with the Presbyterian Church in Honduras continues, help us trust that you can and will accomplish far more than all we can ask or imagine. Amen! (c.f. Eph 3:14-21)