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Hello from El Salvador

It is hard to believe we have been here three weeks. It is a different feeling when you are not counting down the days until your "vacation" is over but that you are "home" and working. The first major glitch in this whole project came last month when the building department revoked the building and school permit. So there has been all kinds of maneuvering to get the permit back to at least finish the project. They are supposed to lift the restrictions today ($700 later.) There are still two to three weeks of work to finish the project. The parts that have been finished are absolutely beautiful.

These last three weeks have been unique for a type A personality. It wasn't even hurry and wait – it was just wait. One week was given to the national holiday – basically a six day festival with not a lot of work being done any where. It has been a time of enforced "idleness" and yet that idleness has been tremendously productive as we have met with handfuls of people who are vitally interested in what we are doing. We just can't show it to them in its fullness. It is not a frustration we feel but a recognition that even in the delay God's timetable will still be accomplished.

School was supposed to start last Thursday according to government regulations. Pray that we can get an extension of time.

Our email fidellow@swbell.net still works. We have a MagicJack number to talk over the internet. It has a San Antonio area code 210-607-7086. So if we are near the computer an we hear the phone we can talk; otherwise you leave a message and we call you back. We still get mail (and money) at 22630 East Range, San Antonio, TX 78255. We have help to answer it.

Please add to your prayers the sale of our house and our car.

Thank you for your love and concern for us. God bless.
Barbara and Edward