

RIDDLE EVANGELISTIC ASSOCIATION

To The Glory Of God. I Corinthians 10:31

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- Mar 8, 2011 [Schedule](#) Schedule modified.
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MERRY CHRISTMAS & A BLESSED NEW YEAR

December 2010

2010 has been an exciting year for us as we shared in revival ser-vices and mission projects. God definitely blessed our efforts and we are so grateful for the opportunity to continue to share the love of Christ after thirty-three years in ministry.

Some of the most rewarding experiences this year have been ob-serving our grandchildren grow into toddlers. The twins, Luke and Lela, are now 18 months old and are into everything. Brielynd, who turned one on Nov. 7, began walking in Oct. Carlie turned 5 in June and is beautiful and very intelligent. All grandparents think their grandkids are the greatest, but I am convinced we really do have the best. They will all be home for Christmas and we are preparing for an exciting experience.

Thank you for your support of our work. Your generosity, love and prayers have blessed us, and we are grateful you care enough to help in our service to the Lord. We are praying you have a fantastic Christmas and New Year. May God's blessing sustain and keep you always.

NEAR DEATH EXPERIENCE

December 2010

I was in Honduras on a mission project this past Spring and some of us were taking food by mule back into the remote villages in the mountains. I was informed the trip would only take an hour but that it would be very strenuous. I knew Gilda and I could handle that much exercise so we decided to go along with the others. To make a long story short it took over 5 hours and the terrain was very difficult. The group included 5 men, 3 women and a young boy to lead the mule loaded with 300 pounds of food. On the return trip one of the ladies and I got ill from low blood sugar (diagnosed later) and possible heat exhaustion. Since it was supposed to be a short trip, we had not taken food with us. Heat, strenuous exercise and no groceries do not make for a good combination for someone with diabetes. One of my best friends, who considers himself an expert outdoors man and hiker, told me I was suffering from heat exhaustion and needed salt. He proceeded to feed me a bunch of peanuts. That was not a good move. As we proceeded, I realized I was not going to make it because I was feeling so weak and nauseous. I informed my sweet wife that this was it, and I was going home to be with the Lord so be prepared for my death. One team member went ahead to the village to get the nurses while I proceeded to throw up everything that I had eaten. Gilda held my head and comforted me as best she could. In the midst of my vomiting a hungry skinny puppy ran out of the woods and began gobbling up everything that I was ejecting. He was a very happy little dog to have something to eat that had already been chewed and was proper puppy food. Gilda discovered some M&Ms and gave them to me. Then the nurses arrived and gave me some food with sugar and took my blood pressure. In a few minutes I was back to normal and was able to finish the day on a glorious high, being thankful that I had cheated death once again.

Here are some lessons I learned from the experience: never believe a Honduran when he gives you a time schedule, never go on long mountain hikes without food and do not expect your friends to give you much sympathy. For the rest of the trip I was made fun of almost every night with a demonstration of how I was throwing up while my poor wife tried to comfort me. I guess it was funny after it was over, but I am still having trouble seeing the humor of it all.

-Dale Riddle

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December 2010

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There is not much to report. The economy is hurting and many individuals, businesses and non-profit ministries like the Riddle Evangelistic Association are struggling. We are simply placing our ministry in the hands of the Lord. We plan to serve as long as we can, but that will depend on the generosity of others. If there are those of you who can help us then we will be grateful, but if you cannot afford to give we certainly understand. We are confident God will provide. Thanks for your consideration.

SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

December 2010

There was a donation made to our ministry in memory of **Raymond W & Pauline H Martin** and **Dorothy Wright**. We were asked to acknowledge their memory in our newsletter.

These three loved our ministry. A gift to minister to others and continue the work of our Lord is a wonderful way to remember loved ones.

Thank you so much for caring enough to give.

REVIVALS AND MISSION PROJECTS

December 2010

We have a few revivals scheduled in 2011 and we are planning to go to Cuba in Feb. then on to Honduras in March & April. We will be doing various projects. We plan to build a church, conduct medical clinics in the-mountains, preach, teach, sing and do feeding programs for the poor. If you would like to help with these projects or go with us on a mission trip, please get in touch. Please pray for us and get involved if you can.

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