



# Life Lines

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## How I Spent My Summer Vacation: Part Two

by William Robbins

Tuesday, my father and I ended up on house construction, in a small neighborhood called Apanas. We were actually building a house around an old wooden one. Someone was living in the house and he helped us. He needed a new house because recently the government came in, paved, and crowned the roads. This shouldn't have been a problem in itself, but when it rained the roads ended up creating a flood plain in the people's houses.

When the people complained, the government solved the problem by adding a dirt fill in the floor of everyone's house which lowered the roof to about five feet. So we had to build them a new house. We tied rebar, which is a metal support for concrete, dug holes for the rebar and then mixed concrete to pour in the holes to keep the rebar in place.

The translator for that job was a local by the name of Hendrix, yes Hendrix, and he was a bit of a goofball, but not in a bad way. It seems like every local we met was a good person, probably because they really were good people.

Wednesday, we were with the mobile medical clinic. The mission is the number two health care provider in the country, just under the government. Those people will see anywhere from 250 to 500 people a day. I was with the eye care clinic, and I pointed to letters on one of those eye charts for the whole day. It wasn't that much work but it provided the rest I needed from the past three days.

Thursday, my father and I were assigned to eye examinations (independent from the mobile clinic), but that assignment didn't work out. The guy that led examinations had his car broken into and his steering wheel stolen that morning, so instead, we went back to house construction.

When we left for the site we accidentally left Miguel and Jose at the mission, so we had to go back and get them,

because Miguel was the only one that actually had a permit for construction, and we couldn't work without at least one person with a permit. That day we tore down two walls, some supports, put up some new supports, mixed more concrete for the brick that we needed to lay for a new wall. When we finished we put up the two walls we had torn down. (We had torn them down because the new wall would go through that same spot.)

Friday we went back to Managua, and Saturday was more of a vacation day than anything else.

In Nicaragua, you come to realize that people can live with a lot less than what we have here. And yet, even with dirt floors and white t-shirts that are magically clean all the time, the people there are happy. They are grateful for everything that you do for them, and down there, there are a lot more poor people with smiles on their faces, than there are rich people with smiles on their faces here. That trip is probably the thing that has changed me the most in my lifetime.

# Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

**“When we cannot bear to be alone, it means we do not properly value the only companion we will have from birth to death.” Eda LeShan, *Newsday***

No one likes being alone all the time. We like to socialize, be around our family and friends. Well, most of us do. However, it is nice to have some solitude once in a while. If you don't like yourself, it may be hard to be alone. You may not like the company. But, most likely, if you don't like yourself, others may not like to be around you either. We need to like ourselves. God created us.

Jesus liked the crowds, those who followed Him to hear His teachings, and to be healed. Sometimes He also liked His solitude. He wanted to be alone to pray to His Father. He wasn't allowed much privacy during His three years of ministry. The crowds wanted to hear everything He taught. They wanted to be healed too. For so long, many had been waiting for the Messiah, their Savior. (How exciting and wonderful it must have been for the people who walked the earth during this time with Him!)

Each one of us has been lonely at one time or another. Being lonely and being alone are two different things. We can be happy with both, or we can be sad. For a happy well-balanced life, we need both. We need time alone to pray as Jesus did. We need time alone to read and study His word. We need time to meditate. Then again, we can pray together, study together, and discuss our thoughts together. We need both.

God did not intend for us to be alone. He created families. He encourages us to be friends and have friends. He planned our church family. He knew we would need each other. We need to care for each other, be concerned when someone needs help.

We were not made to be alone. Loneliness can breed depression and other illnesses. Solitude or togetherness,

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## Remember Our Sick in Your Prayers

**Elliot Crouch** – new baby of Jana and Greg Crouch – born prematurely

**Charlie Tindall**- diagnosed with throat cancer

**Carl Adkisson** – home - recovering from recent triple bypass surgery

**Jerry Turner** – tests scheduled for 11/3

**Ginger Garren** – daughter of Loretta Weston – friends of Rex and Liliya – in St Vincent's with multiple health issues

**Yolanda Greenway**- at UAMS numbers improving

**Leonard Medlin** friend of Liliya and Rex –taking chemo treatments - very weak

**Myra Ballinger** – undergoing chemo

### Shut-ins – need prayers and visits:

**Dover Area:** Billie Nichols

**Legacy Heights:**

Bonnie Vinson

Juanita Whitted

**Russellville Nsg & Rehab:**

Joe Miller

Leona Sayer

### Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Amie Barkley, Juanita Bird, Donna Chambers, Troy/ Rachel Curtis, Dennis Drewry, Sarah Ensey, Johnny Estes, Mary Grice, Leota Hickey, Jonathan & Sheila Holland, Melba Horton, Braden & Kaleb Lambert, Ronnie Leavell, Rose Lee, Daniel Loper, Bea McDaniel, Linda McDaniel, Connie Myers, Becky Miller, Julie Moss, Michael Tindall, Jon Vance, Joan Vance, Justin Vaughn, Joyce Walters, Meredith Whitted, Greg Widner and Patsy Wisbrock.

**Military:** Pray for our service men and women

### Expectant Mothers:

Beckie Clark

## FROM OUR MEMBERS

### Follow Me

Sometimes God  
Sends us places  
To learn new things  
And meet new faces.

We don't know how long  
Or short is the stay  
To make a change  
In someone's day.

There is a purpose  
For why we are there  
To comfort, to hold,  
To laugh, and to care.

Then the time comes  
That we must go.  
We cry, we hug,  
And they say no.

But God said go  
I'm not done with you yet.  
There's more that need Me  
That you have not met.

She laughed, she loved,  
She cried and cared,  
For all the people's  
Life she shared.

Lead by example  
Provide hope when you can  
Show God to others  
Every woman and man.

*Bobbi Robbins, APRN*

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either one is good. Enjoy your family and friends. Enjoy your time alone with God. Don't shut others out.

“The same fence that shuts others out shuts you in.” *Bill Copeland*

# EVENTS

The next Ladies' Devo will be the annual Christmas party on December 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 6pm in the fellowship hall.

## WEDDING SHOWER

For

Drew Walters and Lacey George

on

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>

@ 2:00 pm

In the Fellowship Hall

*Thank you!*

*Thanks to all the men who have participated in the lawn care program for this summer. The rest of us truly appreciate your efforts to make the grounds look so good. Now you can take a rest for the winter!*

if you don't have time to  
**pray & read**  
**scriptures,**  
you are busier than  
**God**  
ever intended you to be.

# Mark Your Calendars

*9<sup>th</sup> Grade – College Class*

*On Sunday morning at 9:45 Brent Hottinger is teaching a class for this age group called Blueprint – the Bible is God's blueprint for us and Jesus Christ is the foundation we build upon.*

*The class meets again on Sunday evenings at 6:00. On the first Sunday night of the month they meet in the auditorium where our young men direct the worship services.*

*On the other Sunday evenings Corey Hottinger or Brent lead the class with a video series and discussion.*

*On Wednesdays at 6:30 Micah Williams is currently leading the class in a study of the parables of Jesus. We urge everyone in this age group to take advantage of these opportunities to learn more about God and His will.*

Fear God and  
keep His  
commandments.  
Eccles. 12:13

# November Birthdays

- 06 Roxanna Shoptaw
- 07 Charlene Clark
- 09 Kim Walters
- 14 Daniel Loper
- 15 Brent Hottinger  
Chris Loper  
Michael Williams
- 18 Kevin Miller  
Dan Cloud
- 20 Marion Helton
- 21 Carla Oakes
- 29 Taylor Thomas

## In Search of the Lord's Way

The Search Program can now be accessed anytime on their website

@

[www.searchtv.org](http://www.searchtv.org)

Phil Sanders  
weekly lesson can be  
heard and seen on  
LR KASN TV 38  
Sunday @ 7:30 am

# ***THOSE TO SERVE***

***November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015***

## **Sunday A.M.**

**Announcer:** Randall Walters  
**Song Leader:** Merrell Shoptaw

### **Prayers**

Earl Whitted  
Gary Williams

### **Communion**

**Podium:** Sid Womack  
**Serve:** Chris Besterfeldt  
Chris Loper  
Chris Moss  
Corey Hottinger

### **Scripture Reading**

Drew Walters

## **Sunday P.M.**

### **Prayers**

Marion Helton  
Merrell Shoptaw

# **SPEAKER**

## **Sunday A.M.**

Micah Williams

## **Sunday P.M.**

Micah Williams

## **Prepare Table for Communion**

Lads & Leaderettes

## **Communion to Shut-Ins**

Donny Forehand

## **Greeters**

The Elders

## **Next Business Meeting**

November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015

## **Wednesday Night Services**

@

**6:30 p.m.**

### **Meeting Times**

**Sunday Morning Bible Classes**

9:45 A.M.

**Sunday Morning Worship**

10:45 A.M.

**Sunday Evening Worship**

6:00 P.M.

**Ladies Tuesday Bible Class**

10:00 A.M.

**Wednesday Bible Classes**

6:30 P.M.

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Allen Veasman 331-2156

Sid Womack 967-2367

Chris Loper 331-3313

### **Deacons:**

Chris Besterfeldt

Donny Forehand

Brent Hottinger

Rex McDaniel

Chris Moss

Michael Robbins

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