



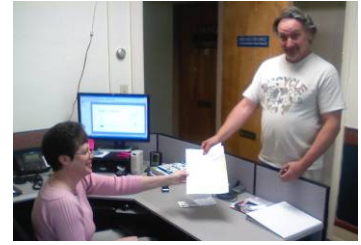
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Dear Friends,

There I was just - making a friendly visit to the Hard Hat office, minding my own business and the secretary has me held at gun point until I get this prayer letter and report done!



For those who haven't heard from me for a while I wish everybody a blessed new year; and send this letter to get you caught up on what has been happening with our family and Hard Hats for Christ.



In 2009 I did a lot of drywall work at three different projects in Washington. I helped other HH4C missionaries at the Wishkah Valley Community Church, at the Christian Fellowship of Winlock, and at the Child Evangelism Fellowship office in Centralia. I also did some major drywall repairs to the church and parsonage at North River, WA, which were flooded out a year ago.

I made an exploratory trip to the Dominican Republic with HH4C President, Dave Williamson. It was really great to be able to show him some of the projects I had been involved with over the years down there, and to introduce him to many of the missionaries and local pastors I worked with. I also accompanied a work team from our church here in Rainier, OR, on a project in Peru. It was a real challenge working with the local hardwoods (VERY hard woods)!



I spent this past January working on a small church in Potter Valley, CA. Hard Hats has had a number of people working on this church for the last two years. They were at the stage of doing the drywall, so fellow Hard Hats missionary Joe Newton and I went down together and worked with Jacob Thiel, a new HH4C prospect with 11 years of drywall experience. We were able to finishing the taping, mudding, texturing and priming of the church in about three weeks.

As this goes to print I will be returning from the Dominican Republic, where I spent two weeks to helping on a new church that is being built in Santo Domingo. The project will also include some service facilities for the community. This is a church that my in-laws are associated with down there. My plan was to see about trying to get some groups down to help with that project and also to get a better idea on what is happening over in Haiti as well. I'm sure there will be many opportunities to take teams to the D.R. and Haiti in the near future. Let the HH4C office know if you are interested!

I'll be home for just a short time before a small group of us will be going to Mexico City to help on a mission house and school that has been started by missionaries from New Zealand. We will be joined by volunteers from there, working with a group called MMM. Hard Hats has been looking at some different ways to work with this group in various places around the world.

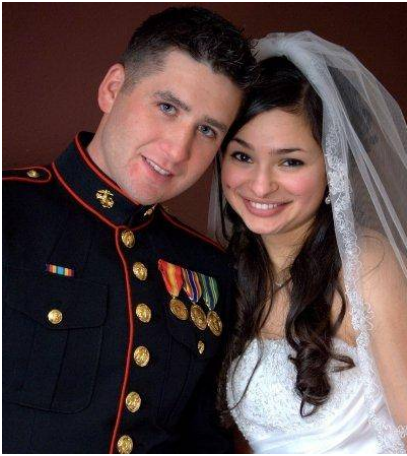
When I return from there I'll be headed for Colorado, to Camp IdRaHaJe near Bailey, for our Hard Hats Staff Rendezvous. We will be celebrating Hard Hats 40th anniversary this year. We have surely felt blessed when we realize how long this ministry has been serving. And when we consider the many

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projects that we have been involved with, for a small organization we know the Lord has allowed HH4C to continue - as we continue to look to Him. We will be having anniversary banquets in Colorado and Longview, WA, sharing what the Lord has done during this time. If you would like to come, please let us know.

Family News

My family is doing well. As some of you know, our daughter Sarah was married in November. She and her husband are living in Vista, CA now. Jaden is in the Marines, based at Camp Pendleton. He may be headed to Afghanistan this summer, so please be praying for him, and for Sarah.



Kenny is still working at the Rainier School system. Right now she is working as a secretary for the Special Education Dept. of the school. Patricia is a sophomore now. She is doing well and is even taking a metal shop class. She also will be working at a Mexican Restraint in our town this summer.

Last off, Lance and Judy are doing well, living in Lindale, Texas. We just recently found out that Judy is expecting their first child. This will be our first grandchild as well! She is due in August.

Well, I believe that brings us somewhat up to date. Once again we are so grateful for your prayers and support. Please continue to keep us in your prayers as we continue to serve. We know that during these hard economic times it can be a great challenge for those that are looking for work. At the same time we can see how the Lord is refining us and stretching our faith to keep our reliance on Him.



Judy, Sarah, Kenny & Patricia

Thank you once again.

In Him,

The Atkinson's
CWCF/HH4C missionaries



My stand-in at Sarah's wedding

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