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Southwest Young Life leaders unwind after a hard-working weekend

Dear friends...

As October draws to a close we are thankful once again for God's providential care of us and of Cloudhaven. We've had a busy time since our last newsletter. In August, we enjoyed hosting the Ficketts from Christ the King in El Paso. Then as we anticipated the arrival of a group from Young Life, there was a major break in our water service leaving us high and dry. Since they were coming from states as far away as California, there was no way for them to change plans. We frantically tried to search out alternatives for them, but just as they were arriving, we got word that the water was back on. God's providence again.

Westminster Pres. in Alamogordo treated us to a work day in which they

helped with firewood, mowed and weed-whacked much of the property. Then in October, another group came from Las Tierras Community Church in El Paso to finish up our outside chores for the fall. The grounds look wonderfully park-like now and will stay much the same until next summer's rains.



Pastor Ron and Westminster Presbyterian men evaluate their retreat

Thank you, thank you all!

In September we had our first wedding at Cloudhaven! Raul and Sarah, who credit a work day at Cloudhaven with the beginning of their romance were married with Pastor Chuck Isaac pre-

Christmas at Cloudhaven

Please mark your calendar and plan to come to our 12th annual family candlelight service of...

Lessons & Carols

Saturday, Dec. 6th, 6:30 PM

A fine feast of festive foods will follow the service. Please join us for this special celebration of God's faithfulness to Cloudhaven.

Call Katy if you'd like to help out with the feast—(575) 682-2720

siding. World class music was provided by a trio from the El Paso Symphony.

Men from Westminster Pres. returned for a men's retreat, enjoying a movie night led by Elder Matt Castillo and teaching provided by Pastor Ron Tyson of La Luz Bible Church.



Sarah, Pastor Chuck and Raul

In October, we were blessed by a visit from our friends Will and Darlene Frye from Goleta, CA. During their stay, we were encouraged by our annual Cloudhaven Board meeting with all Board members present. In addition to Elder Will and the Baileys, they

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Our wonderful helpers from Las Tierras Community Church

Not to be outdone by the Fries, Ruth Gross also from Goleta, came to spend a week with us. Ruth treated us to a home-made apple pie with apples she purchased when we visited the annual High Rolls Apple Festival here on the mountain.

Now we're looking forward to Thanksgiving and to our 12th Christmas at Cloudhaven celebration. God's eternal Son became like us so that he might be both God and man in the person of Jesus Christ. As such, he is willing and able to bring hope and salvation to those to whom God grants repentance and faith. *Soli Deo Gloria!*

are Rev. John Picket of Las Cruces, NM, Rev. Rick Steele and Elder Mike Newnam of Albuquerque, NM, and Rev. Manuel (Tito) Padilla of El Paso, TX.



The wedding feast!



Darlene and Will



Katy helping Ruth make apple pie!



The very serious and important Cloudhaven Board: Will, Jim, John, Katy, Mike, Tito and Rick

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"I have swept away your offenses like a cloud, your sins like the morning mist. Return to me, for I have redeemed you."—Is. 44:22