

# MAIORANO MINUTES

## Sunday Fellowship

It has now been over a year since we opened our doors to have a Sunday morning study and fellowship. We have had a couple of faithful women who attend on Sunday mornings and have been praying for others to join us. Last week a new couple came, and there have been several others that have expressed an interest.

We have been reading through the Bible in chronological order and just completed a four-week study on the ten commandments out of Exodus 20. We have been pleased with the openness of the fellowship as they have felt free to ask questions in an attempt to understand and apply Biblical principles.



Jim teaches science as he explains how to care for fruit trees.

## Revelation Study

The study on Revelation - Pt 3 - "The Signs of His Coming and the End of the Age," is quickly coming to an end. We plan on jumping right into the last part which is "Interpreting Revelation in Light of Biblical Prophecy." This last part of the

study will carry us through the summer. We are thankful for the faithful core of students that are coming to these studies on Monday nights. We would love to see more students join us.

## New Family Additions



This is Zem. He is a one-year old Anatolian Shepherd/Great Pyrenees mix. These are guardian dogs, bred to guard herds and flocks from any and all predators. They have been a real blessing to us.



Girl is Zem's sister. They have now taken our goats as their own (As you can see, Girl tolerates the antics of the kids.) We have had them for a month, and since they have come, the coyotes have decided to stay away.



This is Bandit, a male kid born on April 2, with much difficulty. This was Luna's first kid, he decided to come all four feet first. After much maneuvering, we got him in the right position. Luna and Bandit are both doing fine.

## Winding Down Another Year

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It is hard to believe that another educational year is coming to a close. As I write this letter, we have four weeks left. There are many end-of-the-year projects that need to be completed, and the students are feeling the pressure.

We will be holding a graduation program for three seniors on May 20. Monica and Ramone are both graduating a year early. Monica is headed for college in Kansas along with her father who will also be starting college at the same time. Ramone is headed for the Marines; he is awaiting orders for bootcamp. Keith is still

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Monica

undecided as to whether he is college or tech-school bound. It will be hard to say goodbye, but exciting to see what they make of their lives.

Two of our past graduates are graduating from college this

year, Danielle and Pat. They are the first college graduates, and we now have three that are in or have been accepted into the armed forces - Ramone, Kendall, and Richelle.

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### GOD'S ANSWERS TO PRAYER

1. I have gotten through the winter with no bouts of bronchitis, even though we had students sick all around us. We praise the Lord for the good health that He has granted. Jim continues to work on the tooth issue, but that seems to be resolving itself through homeopathic remedies. He still has a temporary crown on one of his teeth that they put on about a year ago. It sounds as though that is the next thing that needs to be worked on.
2. We are into kidding season with the goats. This is always a time of joy to watch the kids running around. Right now we still have just one; however the other two females are getting ready to deliver this week and then the following week or ten days. We are planning on keeping most of, if not all, the kids to replace the ones that we lost this last year, as well as to give the older goats some time off.
3. The end of another educational year. Our students have proved their knowledge on standardized testings. It brings great satisfaction to know that we have grounded them in all the aspects of life that they need in order to succeed. But our biggest joy is that we get to spend so much time in God's Word and grounding them in His truths. We pray that they will take those truths with them into life.

### PLEASE PRAY

1. We have had to make the difficult decision not to invite one of the students back for next year. Please pray that this will serve as a wake-up call to this student.
2. Graduation as it takes place on Friday, May 20, at 5:00 PM. Please pray that it will be a testimony to the Lord and would have an impact on the graduates, their families, friends, and all the students as well.
3. We are still unsure of what to do with the water situation. Jim continues to haul water, but that brings in a whole set of problems with it. We are investigating how much it will cost to resurrect our old well. We trust God to show us the right thing to do and then trust His provision to get it done.
4. As we come to the end of another educational year, we gear up for the spring/summer marathon with garden, animals, and preparations for the upcoming year of ministry.
5. Wisdom in interviewing and deciding on new students for next year. We have one new student that is already in the system. His name is Colby, and his sister Emily is completing her first year with us.
6. Time to do what needs to be done, and wisdom to know what needs to be left go!

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