

# Maiorano Minutes

## INTERIM UPDATE



One of our prayer requests from our last letter was “time issues”! We are still struggling. Just last week I finally got the bathroom ceiling up from the summer's roof repair, so I guess that shows how far behind we are. Oh, by the way, if you have not figured it out yet, this is Jim writing and not Linda. Again, due to the length of time since we last wrote, I stepped in to try to get one thing off her list. Trying to keep up with 13 students this year has Linda running. This will be a short update to try to get us through till the end of the first quarter of 2011.

I mentioned that 13 students are keeping Linda running. From January 17-21, 12 of them kept her running morning, noon, and night! She was up before the students to make sure their breakfast would be ready, and they had time to make lunch and then off to the parks all day. After closing the San Diego Zoo, Sea World and Lajolla Beach, she went to the house God provided (an answer to one of our prayer requests from last time) cooked dinner, led devotions, and made sure they got to bed,

so they had enough energy for the next day! PTL Jimmy and Angel were along to help. Jimmy drove over 1400 miles and only had to change one tire. Again, PTL he changed it before it lost it's tread. Angel kept the peace during the five days and helped Linda with food and such.

### ***We praise the Lord for His many blessings . . .***

1. Everyone had a great trip to San Diego, and the tire issue was fixed prior to the possible blow out that could have come to be when the tire tread began to separate from the tire.
2. The Christmas program went well, and the students all had an opportunity to show their families how much they learned from the first half of the year.
3. The new roof is holding up well. We have not had as much snow as the East coast, but we did have a few snow storms blow by and one left us with over ten inches.

4. We tried twice to get the hoop house back up and finally beat the wind, cold, and snow! The hoop house has spinach and lettuce growing in it, and we continue to try different planting times and such for the research project to see if growing greens is practical during the winter months in the Southwest.
5. We asked you to pray for our health, and God has provided in the way of some great medical folks. The eye doctor in Tucson, AZ, was able to answer Linda's questions and get her into a pair of glasses that has made teaching and grading papers a reality. My eyes are just old and need glasses. Both of us were to see the dentist in November and December. Linda has some old dentistry issues that are being resolved and my abscess spread into other areas of the gum, so I continue to work hard with the help of others to do all I can to keep the infection under control. PTL there is no pain as there was before with the previous infection that the dentist removed. One thing that you may not have known about is that Linda was bitten by a Black Widow spider and the venom caused her leg to respond with phlebitis. After about two months she is almost 100% over the incident.

***Please join us in prayer about . . .***

1. The water/well issue. Last time we mentioned that Chevron had not responded to our letter. Now the well we were using has a mechanical problem and needs to be repaired, which does not seem to be on Chevron's to do list. I am now hauling water from Gallup twice a week, so we have water for washing, flushing and so on. I have explored a number of options, but no quick fixes as yet are presenting themselves to us. For now we pray and are thankful for the 1,000 gallons of water per week that can be hauled.
2. Now that it takes another eight hours a week to haul water, the TIME request is a greater concern of ours. We want to be putting God first and not let the pulls of the world direct our day to day plans. *Matthew 6:33 - But seek first His Kingdom and His righteousness . . .*
3. Time or the lack of it is on our minds, as we seek to know which of the seven students that have contacted us so far for the one or two openings we expect to have for next year.
4. Continued healing of Linda's eyes and leg, my gum abscess to resolve, and for Linda to lose weight so she can maintain her health for His service.

Thank you for standing with us as we serve and seek to disciple those who call Jesus Christ Lord and Master!

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