

SPREAD THE WORD

**FAITH, IF IT HAS NO WORKS, IS DEAD.
JAMES 2:17**

A Tale of Two Houses and an Abundance of Generosity



House donated in San Jacinto



Salvage house in Wolflin

TWAW has just experienced another example of how we can use the cast-offs from our society to further our mission.

For many years now we have wanted to give our local volunteers the opportunity to serve and meet the needs of our local community. Our desire has also been to provide a chance for people returning from short term mission trips in Belize to get involved in the same type of work here in their own "backyards". So when TWAW was given a small house in the San Jacinto area of Amarillo, we began to pray and to talk to our local partners in order to discern what God would have us do with the house. After much thought and prayer, we felt that God was giving us a foothold to do ministry and be a light in one of the poorest communities in Amarillo. We decided the first thing to do was to fix up the house.

At the same time, TWAW got a word of a nice house in the Wolflin neighborhood of Amarillo that was scheduled to be demolished to make way for a new house. The owners were offering to let TWAW take anything out of the house that we could use! We went to work as quickly as we could and were able to salvage many items we needed for the house in San Jacinto. 3 interior doors, 2 exterior doors, a hot water heater, a toilet, a pedestal sink all escaped destruction and will be used to build up a poorer neighborhood in Amarillo. We were also able to get many items that we sold to raise money for the ministry and several things that we will send to Belize including a Wolf brand gas range and oven with six burners. This will be used for a feeding program in one of the poorest neighborhoods in Belize City!

God is at work making his people into "Restorers of Streets with Dwellings," (Isaiah 58:12) and we get to be a part of it. Let us know if you would like to volunteer in our salvage operation or our remodeling project. And please pray for God's guidance as we try to build God's kingdom in Amarillo!

Let us know if you would like to volunteer in our salvage operation, our remodeling project, or in our warehouse!

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ABOUT US BACK COVER



Books, Books, and More Books!

In our tireless quest to find gold in the “trash” of America, TWAW has hit pay-dirt! Our intrepid volunteer, Kent Sapenfield, discovered several months ago that the Amarillo Independent School District would donate used textbooks to our cause. When we investigated further, we found that not only were these textbooks almost new, they were also reading textbooks (greatly needed in Belize), and there were a lot of them—(pause for emphasis)—a whole lot of them.

At the same time, Tim Tam, was in Belize meeting school principal after school principal who told him that their greatest need was for English reading textbooks. If Belizean children do not learn English, they walk through the rest of their lives with their hands tied—fewer job opportunities and fewer social opportunities await them.

So, earlier this past year, Tim Hagen, along with help from Kent and Western Builders (a local construction company), picked up our first load from the AISD--63 pallets of reading textbooks, workbooks, and other materials. We began to sort the books and organize them according to grade in a warehouse donated by Western Builders, and using lists provided by the government of Belize, we have been packing up enough books for each school. We quickly realized that it might be possible to outfit every school in the country with these reading books, and we have been working on the project ever since.

Many volunteer groups have come the new warehouse to help, boxing up one classroom at a time, and carefully marking the boxes with the name of the school. We are close to finishing the biggest of Belize’s five districts—Cayo, and we recently shipped our first shipping container full of books.

More recently, we picked up another 53 pallets from the AISD and from the Canyon ISD. The entire state of Texas has taken these books “out of adoption” so we should be able to find as many as we want. We have space to sort and store the books, and we know that they are greatly needed in Belize. Our only “problem” is shipping. Would you be willing to help make it possible for us to send these like-new books to Belize? \$10 pays for one box of books. \$350 pays for an average size school. \$6000 sends an entire shipping container full of books!

BOOKS TO BELIZE
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Children's home kids go shoe shopping!

Christmas in Belize 2010

Christmas time is always a special time in Belize and this year was no exception. Thanks to many faithful donors we were able to help children's homes, low income communities, churches, and the prison in Belize celebrate the birth of our Savior. Toys, bikes, and many other items were collected here in the US and shipped to Belize for distribution. Also, over \$10,000 was raised to help provide shoes for the orphans along with food and presents for multiple Christmas parties. A team from Clovis, NM and Boise, ID traveled to Belize during this time to deliver the presents and take the kids shoe shopping. It was amazing watching the faces of the little ones light up while they picked out their new shoes and tried them on. The group was also able to join in the fun and help set up for the Christmas parties. It was truly and amazing time and we were blessed to be a part of it. A big thank you to all of those who helped make this Christmas a special time of fun and celebration for those less fortunate in Belize.

Missionaries to Belize

Prayers:

- Boldness & wisdom in sharing the Gospel & Christ's love
- Jesus Christ to receive all honor & glory
- Resources to provide for the needs He reveals
- Continued prayer support & financial provision
- Genuine relationships with Belizeans
- Protection & strengthening of our marriage

FOR WE ARE HIS WORKMANSHIP,
CREATED IN CHRIST JESUS FOR GOOD WORKS,
WHICH GOD PREPARED BEFOREHAND,
THAT WE SHOULD WALK IN THEM.
EPHESIANS 2:10

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PLEASE BE PRAYING FOR OUR NEW VOLUNTEERS IN BELIZE!!
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About Us

The Word at Work is a ministry that mobilizes churches and individuals to answer God's call to minister to those in need...

- Through our relationships, God reveals needs and opportunities for service.
- As we come alongside the poor, new friendships develop and doors for ministry open.
- As we serve, God provides the resources to supply for the needs he reveals.

Simply put, we're a bridge connecting resources with needs, and churches and people with opportunities to serve.

The birth of our ministry came from the conviction that Christians need to put what they hear into practice in obedience to Jesus and His word. As we put our faith into practice (putting God's Word to work), and give ourselves away in mission, we ourselves are transformed.

Prove yourselves doers of the word and not merely hearers... James 1:22

Faith comes from hearing... Rom. 10:17

As a result of works faith was matured... James 2:22

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:10.

We believe these good works create a natural platform for sharing the gospel message. They provoke a question to which the only answer is "Jesus."

Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

We thank you for your interest in the ministries we serve. We pray you'll find us worthy of the calling we submit to. As a 501-3(c) Christian non-profit mission organization, we aim to bring all honor and glory to the foot of the cross of Jesus for whom we serve.

Blessings,
Rev. Tim Tam, Executive Director



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