

Sept. 26, 2024

Dear Friends,



First we want to thank you for your loving support of us over many years. It's been an honor to serve the United Methodist Church as missionaries in Nicaragua (31 years), in the US (4 years) and in Puebla Mexico (6 years). So you won't be surprised to hear that Miguel retires on Dec. 31, 2024 and Nan on March 15, 2025.

Over the last six years it has been a joy and an honor to work with Give Ye Them to Eat (GYTTE) in Puebla and Tlancualpican. We arrived at an organization with a committed staff who faithfully carry out the mission objectives to improve the lives of impoverished people in the countryside areas. We miss them every day.

We moved to Nicaragua at the end of July – this is where we plan to live (plans often change). Currently we are with our daughter Nora and her husband Lino.

So here is the bad news and the reason why we will do very little itineration: Nan was diagnosed with a brain tumor – a meningioma about a half-inch in size. At first it looked certain she would immediately need surgery. But the Johns Hopkins specialist in this kind of tumor decided we should take a wait and see approach doing regular MRI's to see if it is growing. You can imagine that our whole family was scared and then relieved!

We feel sad that we won't see the majority of you, at least for now. We had hoped to visit Washington state, Oregon, California, Colorado, South Dakota, Illinois and Indiana. But it's just too much. We know you understand. We will be a few months in our home conference – Baltimore Washington so we may get to visit a few churches/members there and possibly in Susquehanna conference.

Since Nan will be with Global Ministries longer than Miguel we ask that your giving for missionaries go to her instead of Miguel. Nan McCurdy #10801Z. Remember that when you support one missionary you are actually supporting all of our missionaries. We've found it to be an excellent system!

Global Ministries is working hard to find an appropriate couple to send to GYTTE (they have requested this). So possibly when Nan retires you can transfer your support to them. We will write to you again when that happens. Global Ministries hopes, at the very latest, to

have new missionaries in place by July 2025, hopefully earlier.

We will continue to have the same emails: Nan: [nanmigl@yahoo.com](mailto:nanmigl@yahoo.com);  
Miguel: [nanmig@msn.com](mailto:nanmig@msn.com)

Also, we have just started paying a small fortune to have a US phone number. That is:  
301/450-0944

This major change in our lives is difficult! You have no idea how grateful we are to all of the people and churches who have supported us in a variety of different kinds of mission work – and some for nearly 30 years. A few of you knew Nan's first husband Phil Mitchell, also a missionary. He died of a pulmonary emboli in 1991 when Nora was 13 months and Daniel was 3. Nan and Miguel married in 1995 and the kids say that Miguel is the only Papa they remember, although we've always tried to keep Phil's memory alive.

We very much hope you will decide to keep supporting missionaries, first by continuing your support to Nan, then by supporting the new missionaries. And also please support GYTTE.

Big hugs of appreciation to all of you, God Bless you.

*Nan and Miguel*