

Winter 2018 Projects Report

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A lot was accomplished during the winter of 2018. We served at **New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene in Casa Grande, AZ**, with Floyd and Maryanne Davis, Gordon and Naomi Miller, and Todd and Janice Gow. Daryl and Mary Weatherford are now permanent residents there, and were our project coordinators.

In January, we expanded the church platform by 5 feet, expanded the sound booth by four feet, and painted the pastor's new office and adjoining conference room. In February, we laid tile in three rooms, painted the welcome center and sanctuary, and participated in the Manna food distribution. New Beginnings Church is a beautiful blend of cultures and has an impressive ministry to the community. It was a pleasure to serve alongside these awesome people.

On a day off, we drove to Phoenix and visited the project at **Marysville Church of the Nazarene** where ROAMers Merl and Diana Elder were serving with much heart for the ministry there.

In March, we moved on to **Bonita Park, New Mexico**, where we worked with Bruce and Frances Hoffman (photo on right). Our main project was remodeling the serving lines in the dining hall. We stripped old wallpaper border, mudded, sanded, and painted. Another project was molding the cement borders on the putt-putt golf course. We were treated so generously by the awesome staff and local volunteers. Another wonderful experience!

During our time off, we visited the Grand Canyon, Sedona, Tombstone, Goldfield Ghost Town, White Sands, and many other national parks and places of interest.

On our way back to Michigan, we camped one night at **Salyer Lake, OK**, another of our ROAM projects. Ken Hembree, the camp director, gave us a royal welcome and a tour of the campground. What a vision he has for his camp! Volunteers are needed to help realize those dreams. God has a plan!

Everywhere we go we are blessed to find God already at work, and to form new friendships that will last forever. Another great winter of ROAMing.