

Bob & Barbara Kelly - Serving in Nicaragua

Traffic Jam

Nicaraguan style

On the main highway to Nueva Guinea

How do you spell road rage?



La delegada checking out the new kinder

We arrived in Managua May 19th. Mark Miller from our church came with us to help us get settled. We spent the first few days in

Managua in some meetings and looking for a vehicle. Not finding what we needed and at the right price, we went on to Nueva Guinea.

We have shared the challenges we have had getting the new school registered, because of many new governmental regulations. However, while in Nueva Guinea, we were finally able to make contact with the regional education ministry delegate (known as "La Delegada"), who not only invited us to visit her in her home (2 hours away), but also made a visit to the site. She was impressed with the work that had been done.

After meeting with the top ministry officials, she called on Friday, the 4th, saying that we have been approved and will just have to do the required paperwork.

Needless to say, we're all thankful to God for His grace.

After a few trips back and forth to Managua, and with the help of some friends, we found a 2007 Mazda pickup truck that should serve our purposes well.

La "Selección" de Nueva Guinea

Those that have been here know that one of the pastimes is "fútbol sala" - a 5 man soccer game played on a smaller field, many times a basketball court. Last Saturday we went with the Nueva Guinea all star team, who had qualified at the regionals, to the national championship in Managua. They won their first game, making it to the Elite 8, but lost in the second round. There's always 2011.



The family we will work with had a special reception for us - "2 guineos más". A guineo is a small banana that you eat with beans and by itself cooked, and Nueva Guineans are sometimes referred to as guineos-

We are now going to get ready for the groups coming from Texas in July. A group from Grace Outreach will be doing a vacation Bible school, and a group from Zoya (the ministry that sponsors us) will do a week long medical clinic. A lot of people will be glad to see Dr Abebefefe again. Mandy Hollister gets here on Monday the 7th for 2 months, and she will be a big help with her children's ministry background and ever growing Spanish skills. After the group leaves, we will be opening the pre-kinder for a half year session.

We appreciate everyone's encouragement and support.

You can help financially through Zoya Ministries:

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Plano, TX 75026-0381

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"For Nicaragua school project"

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Remember, Zoya is an all volunteer organization which does not deduct administrative fees. For this reason, they will not send out reminder notes nor envelopes. When you send in a donation, they will send out a receipt.

We'll keep updates on [our Nica Kellys blog](http://nicakellys.blogspot.com/). (<http://nicakellys.blogspot.com/>)

May God bless you richly.

Bob & Barbara Kelly

