

In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

## First UMC of Oak Ridge Travels to Talanga, March 24-30, 2008 to Conduct Medical, Vision, and Construction Mission

Led by Dr. Jim and Donna Henry, the FUMCOR team of 15 traveled from Oak Ridge, Tennessee to Talanga in late March of 2008 to conduct medical, vision, and construction mission activities. Construction work was at the site of the new parsonage and included electrical wiring as well as working on a new exterior wall outside of the parsonage.

The medical and vision teams saw almost 500 patients in the 4 clinic days that were spent in Talanga. This number included approximately 170 people seen in the vision clinic where about 150 pairs of glasses were dispensed. They distributed sun hats and sun glasses to reduce exposure to the bright sun in Honduras. The clinics were conducted at the pastor's home and the church. Dr. Jim Henry mentioned that the team was able to leave some funds for conveyance of patients to hospitals where they would be able to receive treatment for more severe medical issues. Additionally, the team left medicines and instructions for use with the public health nurse to assist with ongoing management of chronic diseases such as hypertension and diabetes.

Translators assisting the team were Rigo, Fernando, Danny and Maria Eleana. Team member Lynn Meacham also aided in the translating for the group. The team was hosted by Pastor Luis Soto who worked diligently with the team to help keep the clinic flow smooth and the team spiritually encouraged. This trip to Talanga is one of six trips sponsored by First United Methodist Church, Oak Ridge in 2008.



**Dr. Henry Examining a Young Family**



**Dr. Jan Examines a Young Patient**



**Vision Clinic Registration and Evaluation**



**The Busy Pharmacy Team**



**The Team Stepped Up**

**The team included: Allan Cabe, Sharon Cabe, Lisa Chadwick, Jan DeWitt, Donna Henry, Jim Henry, Bill Henry, Lynne Meacham, Gary Salk, Bob Schultz, Maxine Schultz, Kathy Walker, Steve Walker, Bill Winstrom and Eleanor Winstrom.**



**Hand mixing cement is back breaking work**