DID YOU KNOW THAT IF ANIMALS IN A COMMUNITY ARE HEALTHY, the likelihood of a healthy community greatly increases? Consider the number of diseases that are transmitted from animals to people through polluted water, improper placement of latrines, and consumption of sick animals. There are so many ways in which the health of animals directly impacts communities.

Healthy animals in a rural mountain community can mean the difference between surviving and escaping poverty. The Diocese of West Texas has been prayerfully and financially supporting the Honduran Veterinary Team that has been working to make a change in Honduras and SE Mexico for the past 30 years. The Team went through growing pains of where to serve and how, quickly learning that to make any significant difference, they must first listen to what God and the people of Honduras want.

This meant concentrating on one city of Siguatepeque and working with Honduran partners, including a local co-op of coffee growers, Cafe CorHorSil. This year, the veterinary team of 35 people, split in 5 groups, will be vaccinating, worming, and administering parasite control for about 6500 animals in 20 remote mountain hamlets. At the same time, eight more community veterinary technicians will be trained, thanks to a generous donation of supplies from veterinary pharmaceutical companies and the donation of time, talent, and funds from local churches, DWTX, and everyone who goes on the mission.

People always ask what can they do if they want to go with us. If you want to go, listen. God will find a role for you translating, helping someone treat a sick animal, whatever it may be.
finding a need in the community, providing a washing machine or toilets and showers at a local birthing center, finding a traffic light in a fast-growing town, finding a source for clean water or books for a nursing school, building a mountain school, or praying for a safe journey.

God is good, and if we just listen, He will provide.

Come and see!

WINNER OF ALL-EXPENSE-PAID MISSION TRIP: Dr. Carol Folbre of St. John's, New Braunfels, was this year's winner of the Council Mission Trip. We look forward to hearing more about Carol's mission adventure.

MANOS DE DIOS. Please mark your calendars for Thursday, May 11, 2017 from 5:30 pm- 9:00 pm. Fund raising dinner at Beto's on Broadway in San Antonio.

2017 DWTX World Mission Trips Announced

March 30-April 1 - Frontera Unida (Mexico) - Team Leader, Marthe Curry
April 22 - Love4theLeast (Middle East) - Team Leaders, Terry & Brien Koehler
May 12-28 - Uganda (Bunyoro-Kitara & Soroti) - Team Leader, John Hardie
May 20-27 - Veterinary Team (Honduras) - Team Leaders, Lynn & Bill Campaign
Summer (TBA) - Guatemala VBS - Team Leader, Nancy Springer
June 23-July 2 - Kenya Retreat for Clergy & Spouses - Team Leader, Marthe Curry
July 3-8 - Uganda Program Review - Marthe Curry
July 6-21 - Band & Bible (Uganda) - Team Leader, Eric Fenton
June 9-16 - Christ Church Jr. High (St. Louis, MO) - Team Leader, Gavin Rogers
June 18-24 - The Owen Project (Honduras) - Team Leader, Mark Keddal
June 25-30 - The Owen Project (Guatemala) - Team Leader, Mark Keddal
June 19-July 2 - Christ Church Young Adult (Guatemala) -Team Leader, Gavin Rogers
July (TBA) - Hogar Infantil (SE Mexico) - Team Leader, Marthe Curry
July 3-10 - VBS, Lay Leadership Training, Construction (Honduras) - Team Leaders, Terry & Brien Koehler; Nita & Ken Shaver, Elizabeth & Greg Martinez, Earl & Suzanne Stanley, Val Hoey.
July 17-23 - St. David's Youth (Haiti) - Team Leader, Mary Hayden Manning
July 17-24 - Christ Church Youth (New York City) - Team Leader, Gavin Rogers
Fall (TBA) - Threads of Blessing (Uganda) - Team Leaders, Helen & Garry Schnelzer