BOLICK



Barb & Dwight Bolick

CHILE

LANGUAGE

Spanish

MINISTRY PRIORITIES

Discipleship, Economic Development, Education

CHILDREN

Jackson William

BIRTHDAYS

Barb 2/29 Dwight 9/25 Jackson 5/31 William 10/21







ABOUT

BARB and DWIGHT are on a special assignment, based currently in College Station, Texas. Barb is completing a PhD in Youth Development, in order to make the Talita Cumi Girls' Clubs Project both evidence based and effective. She is introducing the Girls' Clubs in Bolivia and continues to support the program in Chile

with mentor training and contextualized written materials. Dwight is training partners in Central America in rainwater harvesting, installing model systems, and encouraging the use of this water-collection method to address the severe water crisis throughout the region.



Local leaders train their neighbors in rainwater harvesting.



MINISTRY STORY

"There's no water." That's the constant refrain heard throughout Latin America. Water insecurity, the lack of freshwater resources that in the past were abundantly available, is one of the biggest problems our partners in the region face in the next decade. It is time for it to become a priority in Christian mission.

Dwight works with RECONPAZ (Continental Christian Network for Peace), the network of partners in five Latin American countries that our IM colleague, Ricardo Mayol, coordinates. In the Guatemalan village of Volcancito, Dwight helped the community design a rainwater collection system for the local school.

Johnny, a young community leader, describes the difference the rainwater system makes: "We don't have potable water here in this community. People here have to carry water from far away to their houses, to their homes. So, keeping the school supplied with water is difficult, and it's something very necessary for the service of the school. Through this project we feel happy. We're content because we're going to have water."

People in Volcancito began copying

the rainwater system in their homes. Then these same servant leaders took what they learned to the next village of Bejuacal and installed a rainwater harvesting system for their school. The local government took notice and now wants to support this kind of solution to water problems.

Would you like to help establish more model rainwater systems where our partners can teach others how to sustainably provide water? Write to us.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for the mentors in seven Latin

American countries plus the Texas/Mexico
border who are beginning Girls' Clubs
ministries in vulnerable communities.

Pray for the participating girls and the churches now equipped with this program to raise up a new generation of girls formed in the way of Jesus.

Pray for Dwight to be able to travel more to train communities in rainwater harvesting, and for the replication of rainwater systems in more communities.

Pray for Barb's and Dwight's sons, Jack (in university) and Will (in high school), for their ongoing growth "in wisdom and stature."

SCRIPTURE

"Yet he has not left himself without testimony: He has shown kindness by giving you rain from heaven and crops in their seasons; he provides you with plenty of food and fills your hearts with joy."

Acts 14:17 (NIV)

