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Basque Farmhouse Restoration "Aierdi" Retreat Center "In the foothills of Mount Aitzgorri"



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Dear Pastor & Friends,

"Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and bless his name." Psalm 100:4.

It is once again with thankfulness in our hearts that we write you from Spain, the land that the Lord led us to in 1972. Thankful because our immediate medical problems have been resolved. My "new" hip functions about as well as the old one and I am able to do about anything I did before, now without pain. My PSA dropped in half after the 1st 3 month checkup and I am due for another one in the next week or two. From then on it will be every 6 months as I become a "statistic," a process which helps other men to be diagnosed in regards to their treatment. God has let us come back "home." Our people have received us with open arms and they are always trying to figure out some way so that we can just live here for the rest of our lives!

We have many things to write about but simply want to wish you a joyous Christmas Season and may Christmas, the birth of the Christ Child, be very real to you this year. God bless, Al & Helga.

Month by month the Aierdi Farmhouse Retreat Center becames more and more useful. Andy and Mimi had there 4th Missionary Teen Retreat with young people from several European countries. Mimi had devotions based on the memoirs of my German Baptist grandfather, Emil Bonikowsky. Dr. Ken Hay of the Wilds, along with his wife, was the guest speaker for the fine group of young people that met in "the foothills of Mount Aitzgorri."

God bless,

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