



From David Feikes, The Shepherd's Work

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First Annual Shepherd's Work Gala Issue #8

Greetings,

I am preparing for this summer's trip to Belize; making material lists, getting air-conditioning and hot water installed in the house where I will be staying, and ordering tools which we will use this summer. I am also organizing the first annual Shepherd's Work Gala. This is not my area of expertise! I also continue to update the email list for the newsletter as well as writing newsletters and doing the bookkeeping!

The Shepherd's Work can always use financial support. Monetarily, I have the funds for this summer but what I am most worried about is the long-term funding for The Shepherd's Work. When I retire, will there be the financial support to sustain the day-to-day operations? This is my biggest concern, but I have faith that God and individuals like yourself will provide when the time comes.

What I need most right now is prayer! Some things to pray for are:

- The safety of all who work on the project
- My health, that I can endure the heat and humidity
- I make good decisions
- Problems that arise during construction continue to be resolved
- Spiritual guidance – that all decisions be made in accordance with God's will
- Building relationships with the community and the intellectually disabled
- The Shepherd's Work will one day serve the intellectually disabled!

First Annual Gala Fundraiser

If you are in the LaPorte area, please consider attending the Gala. Scan the qr-code to get your tickets!

or



- Date and Time: May 9, 2026, 6:00 PM
- Location: 3628 W. Johnson Road, LaPorte, IN. (a former church with is my son's residence)
- A fine dinner served by Country Caterers
- Beer, Wine, and Coffee will be provided
- Award Winning Entertainment: The Willie Waldman Project, Jazz Band
- Silent Auction
- Cost: 80.00 per person, includes beer and wine

I need help getting items for the silent auction! If you know of anyone interested in donating items, please have them contact me at: (219) 851-8524 or by email: feikesd@pnw.edu.

FIRST ANNUAL: SHEPHERD'S WORK GALA!

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

What is it for?

A fundraising event that bring us closer to achieving our mission of building a residential facility for intellectually disabled adults in Belize.

Live Entertainment

Award winning Jazz band:
The Willie Waldman Project!

Delicious Food and Drinks

Enjoy a delicious meal, beer, and wine all included in your ticket price throughout the event.

Silent Live Auction

Bid on exciting items for a chance to win fantastic prizes!

If you know of a business who would like to donate an item, please let me know.



← Scan To Purchase A Ticket!



6 PM - 10 PM

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LOCATION:

3628 W. JOHNSON ROAD, LAPORTE, IN.

TICKET PRICE: \$80

Return Dates to Belize: May 13 to June 2, 2026

Second Trip: The dates have not been set but I will return in the third week of June and stay the entire month of July.

Day Camp – later in July

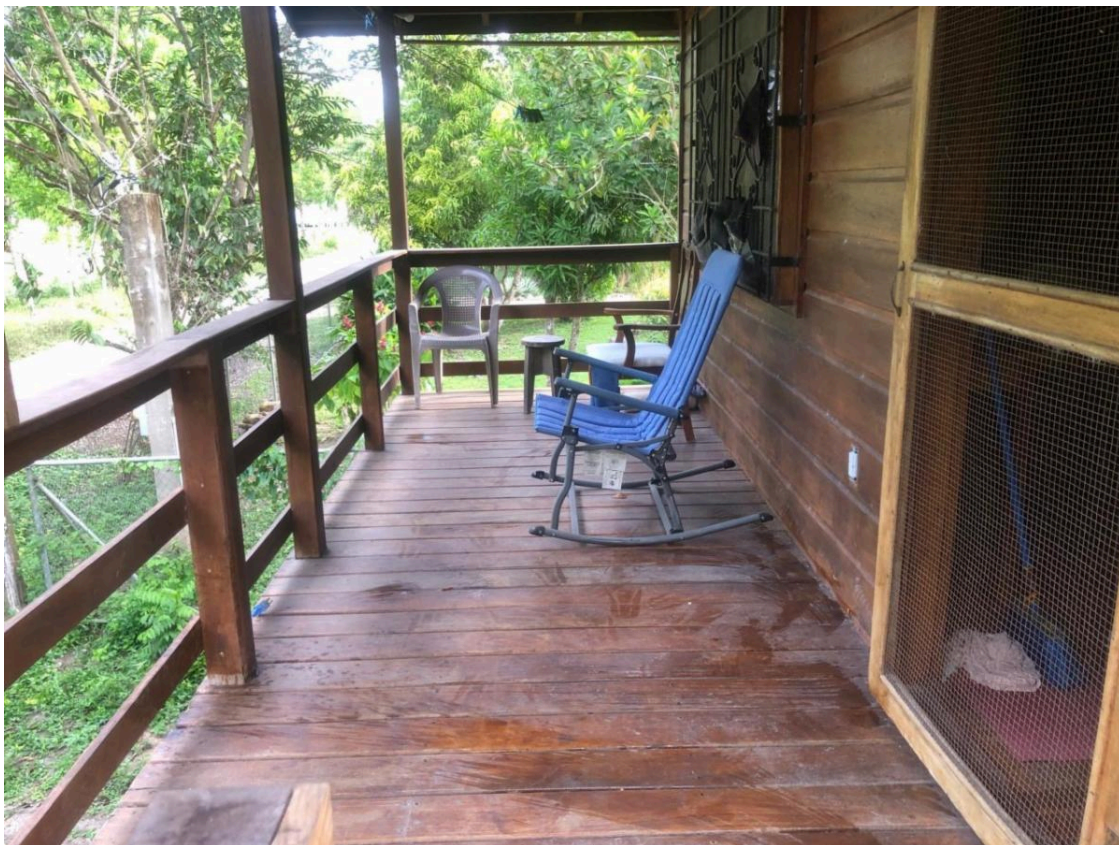
Math Workshop in Belize: August 3-6, 2026

The Study Abroad Trip to Belize this summer was canceled.

Possible Volunteers: I will be staying in a home near the property, I will have a room for one person to stay with me at no charge. The primary expenses to a volunteer will be airfare. I have a rental car and will pay for most meals. Please let me know when you are interested in staying. It is hot and physical work! (See pictures below.)



House in Bullet Tree



Front Porch

**Todos son bienvenidos a La Obra del Pastor!
All are welcome at The Shepherd's Work!**

Thank you for reading!

David Feikes

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