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## **Bob and Pat Cook Deliver Texas-size Help as WMFC Prepares New Fort Worth Office**

BY GARY BISHOP

FORT WORTH, TEXAS. On March 12, with their motor home loaded up and with an eye to the future, Bob and Pat Cook headed east on Interstate 10 from Southern California to Fort Worth, Texas. Bob and Pat are the two most senior team members serving with World Missions Far Corners and the move to a new corporate home for WMFC in Fort Worth would have been a mind-numbing challenge without their knowledge and experience.

My wife, Donna, and I had visited all the area's RV parks to scout out the best places for Bob and Pat to consider in setting up their temporary home. So when the Cooks pulled into our area on Saturday afternoon they immediately jumped out of their motor coach and into our car for a tour of the possible sites. After more than 100 miles of surveying—and before darkness set in—they had picked their spot. They are located only five minutes from the new WMFC office, on a little hill surrounded by oak trees.

The next Monday morning, Bob, Pat, Donna and I began working through the dozens of boxes to set up computers, telephones and office operations in our new home, albeit temporary quarters for the next few weeks, while our new permanent offices are being readied. We were all ready for bed each night that week as we rested from unpacking, arranging and rearranging (sometimes several times) the office.

I am excited to report that even though we are a bit cramped, we are each able to do all the functions we need to do. It has been fun to watch Pat take on new systems and tame them into useful tools for operating the ministry. Several times she has commented, "This new system was a real challenge when I started, but once I figured it out, it was fun!"

Bob has been our onsite logistics manager. He worked tirelessly to get our temporary quarters arranged and operating and then jumped right into being our liaison and representative for the construction team that is completing our new offices.

It hasn't been all work though. Bob and Pat have had the opportunity to visit several sets of relatives that live in this area. I know it is a blessing to all. We have also introduced them to some of our local Mexican food and barbecue eateries. From time to time I hear them picking up a little Texas drawl as time goes by! I don't think we have convinced them to become permanent Texas residents yet, but I can assure you they would fit right in!

*What a joy and privilege to go through this transition for WMFC and our positioning for more Kingdom service with dear friends and beloved co-workers.*

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**Gary Bishop** is the new president/CEO of World Missions Far Corners. With the approval of the Board of Directors, WMFC has secured a more cost-effective office space—with room for growth—by moving from the Long Beach, California area to a more economical setting in Fort Worth, Texas.

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