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in Honduras

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"I will cause showers to come down in due season...there will be showers of blessing." Ezekiel 34:26

The rains of May The eagerly-awaited "winter" (what the Wet Season is called—even though the temperature is hot and now also humid) rains began to show up a bit early. Only three weeks of occasional rain have encouraged the sere, blackened land to show the beginnings of Irish-green lushness.



Scarlet Acacias bloom in late dry season, contrasting with wet season's green (above)

Mothers' Day Disappointment reigned when daughter Keitlyn's flight from Mexico was cancelled and she didn't come for Mothers' Day as planned. But she made it the next week. Though I dragged her with me to work events, we managed to sneak in some fun time alone (below) in the few days she was in Honduras before leaving for archaeology field school in Belize.

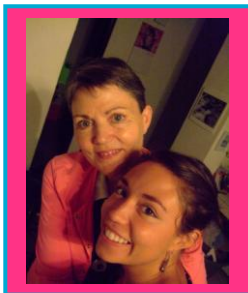


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"Our best, most fruitful workshop ever:" the result of lots of joint ICLH/Minnesota planning and work.

the national **Theological-Liturgical Training** held near La Ceiba for leaders of worshipping communities, with the support of our Minnesota Partners team. The training featured in-depth study of the Bible passages for **Pentecost** and hands-on practical workshops. Back in Tegus there was a **Homiletics Workshop** for pastors and preachers.

One woman walked for three hours with her little daughter -- and carrying her baby (both in photo at right) -- from her home to the paved road. There she caught a bus to the 2+ day **ethics workshop** I led for SEFCA, a cooperative with which ICLH is allied. Others of the *campesinos* had an hour or two trek. All brought eagerness to learn and a willingness to try strange things (see the *Team-Building strategy*, above right!)



SEFCA workshop in Marcala, in SW Honduras

In faith and service in Christ,

--janet

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