

# Western NC Presbytery

## PDA Mission Trip

### Wilmington, NC

### October 10-16, 2021





- Team Members: (Front row, l to r) Ken and Sue Unnesch (Long Creek, Kings Mtn ), Bobbi Trick (Hickory FPC), Betsy Keith (Gastonia FPC), Margie Lang (Burnsville FPC), Derwin Nelson (Hickory FPC)
- (Back row, l to r) Russ Rankin (Franklin FPC), Phil Trick (Hickory FPC), Joanne Mitchell (Gastonia Southminster), Bob Abel (Hayesville), Brian Schroeder (Gastonia FPC), Gail Lehman (Franklin FPC), and Stancil Campbell (Asheville FPC)



Thirteen volunteers from 7 churches in the Western NC Presbytery met up in Wilmington, NC on Sunday, October 10, 2021. First Presbyterian Church in Wilmington would be our home for the next week.

Our accommodations were the Katherine Kennedy Home, which the church uses to house groups doing mission work in the Wilmington area. Here we would cook, eat, & sleep.





# Derwin – our Team Leader





On Monday we had a thirty minute drive to Rocky Point, NC to our work sites. Rocky Point is a very rural community in Pender County. The group worked with the local organization - WARM (Wilmington Area Rebuilding Ministry). Our group of 13 split into two smaller groups in order to work on two homes.





One group of 6 worked at the home of Ms Willie. The work at her home included installing new flooring in the kitchen & living room, window & wall repairs due to water damage, installing a new front door, and installing grab bars.



The WARM supervisor was Dwayne.



# Stancil worked on water damage under the kitchen sink.





# Brian repaired damage to living room floor.



Joanne helped remove the old kitchen floor.





# Dwayne helps Joanne cut kitchen floor.



Betsy uses a nail gun to install the kitchen floor.

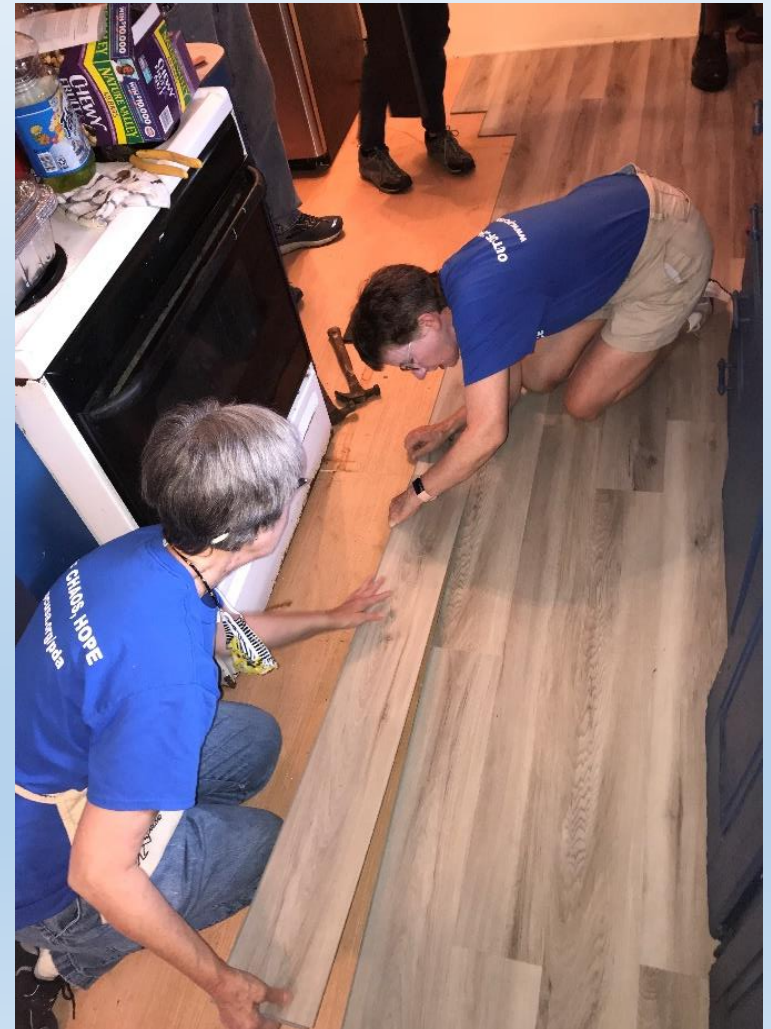




Brian sweeps the newly installed kitchen floor.



# Floor pieces are cut at the ends & each row is snapped together







Snapping into place is harder than it looks.





But we  
had fun





Ms Willie is pleased with her new floors.



Brian is changing the battery of a chirping smoke alarm...



While Bob reflects on the window situation.



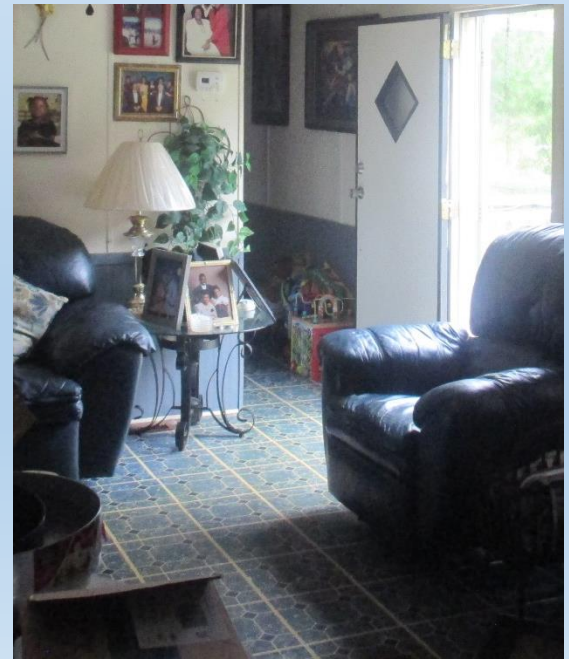
Bob climbs a ladder to get the house numbers hung.





Stancil tries out the door knocker after installing the new doors.

Below is the “before” picture of floor & door.





# Betsy hangs the grab bars in the bathroom.



# Stancil takes care of more water damage around the windows







The other group of 7 worked at the home of Ms Edith. Work at this home included porch/door/flooring/siding repairs, as well as construction and installation of a ramp.



Drew was the supervisor from WARM who worked with this group.







Sue looks while  
Bobbi & Phil dig.





Derwin wonders what everyone is looking at.





# Gail tries to find the electrical outlet.





Russ gets to work on sawing.





# Lunch break!



# Gail uses the pressure washer.





# Bobbi & Phil take care of work in the bathroom.



# Ramp is finished!



Bobbi checks out  
the handrail.





# Derwin & Phil discuss replacing door.



# Gail checks out the installed door.





Ken repairs siding.



# New flooring installed by the group





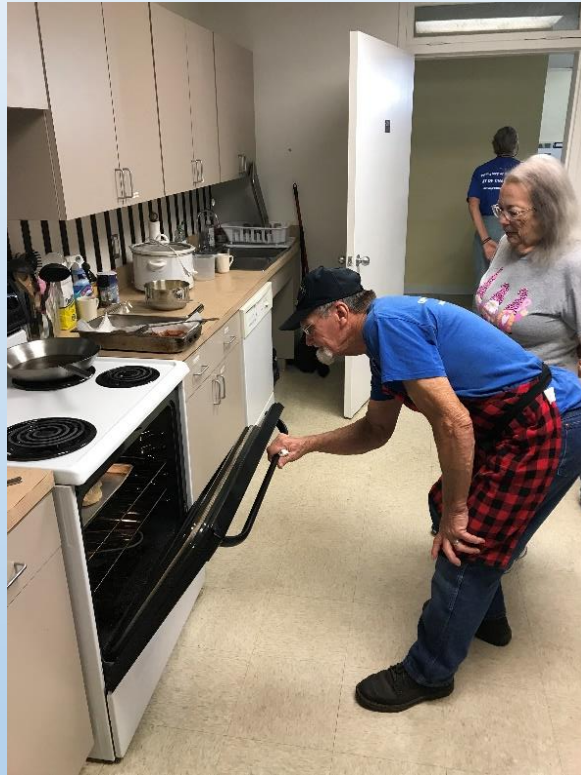
# Group celebrates with Ms Edith.







A Hardy Breakfast is needed before going out to the work sites.



Grits, bacon, sausage, eggs, & biscuits.

# Each team member makes a sandwich for lunch





# Suppers are a highlight too!



# Clean up is part of the routine.





Devotions  
each night  
are special.



Bob leads us in song with his guitar.



Ken made the table as a gift to 1<sup>st</sup> Wilmington church and the Welcome signs for the homeowners.





Wednesday afternoon we took a break from our work to relax & enjoy the local area... BEACH TIME!



# Bellamy Mansion







The team experienced a wonderful week, getting to know each other, learning new construction skills as well as sharing construction skills with other team members, talking to the home owners & listening to their story.

It is a very humbling experience to serve others as part of a mission team.



Hope you will consider joining us  
next time.

