Bob and Ellen Snow are now retired missionaries who served here in the Episcopal diocese of the Dominican Republic for 16 years and I had the pleasure of benefiting from their love and wise council over the years that I've been here. I was only one of many sad to see them return to the US in June 2012.

Michael and Anita Dohn, SAMS medical missionaries serving in San Pedro, and I joined Bob and Ellen for a special celebration on Pentecost 2012. (Bob not pictured.)

Before (April 19, 2012)

After a 'bit' more work by locals and three mission teams from the Tampa Deanery. (That translates to LOTS of work!) (July 15, 2012)

One of my new roles is teaching some rehabilitation basics to health promoters which have been raised up by the community health team at the Clinica Esperanza y Caridad. This was a recent continuing education workshop in Villa Faro.

The gentleman in the picture was the host of the talk, and we had a nice shady spot which had some air flowing through to keep the afternoon tolerable. Notice the water bottle prop used in the body mechanic class that day.

Vanesa is one of the students I'm working with this summer during her first clinical rotation. They have three rotations and then have to present their thesis, usually the following term.

The graduates for the School of Rehabilitation in June 2012: Nurys, Angelina, Ivens (OT), Idelsa, Ruth, Raquel, Carlos, Mairovi and Angela. (all the rest are PT)

The changes in the school of rehabilitation at the University Catolica de Santo Domingo divided the role of director into two, one for OT and one for PT. Maribel is the new OT director and Jilmary is the new PT director.

Gail is a professor at Old Dominion University in the PT program and was involved with getting the PT program here started. With the new leadership, her guidance is being sought as an experienced PT educator with a love for the Dominican Republic. We've had some Skype meetings with the key English speaking professors to gain insight in how best to design and implement the proposed curriculum changes.