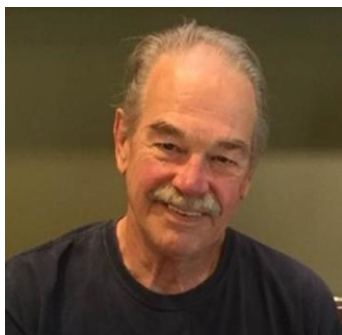
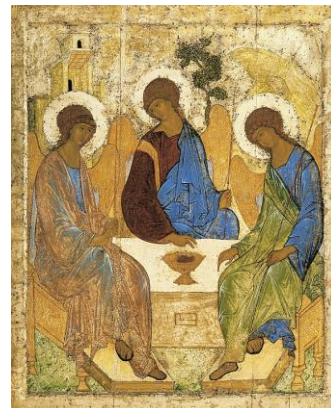


The importance of **tables** in our daily lives and ministry.

The Lord's table: Andrei Rublev, the 15th century Russian artist who painted this stunning icon of the Trinity, *knew the importance of a table.*

Inspired by the story of the three strangers who visited Abraham to share a mid-day meal and meaningful conversation (Genesis 18), Rublev portrayed the Trinity -- Father, Son and Holy Spirit -- sitting around a table, with one available space, so that you (or I) the beholders, could join them. All three members of the Trinity seem to be waiting expectantly for us to draw near.

This icon sits on our dresser, reminding us each morning that we, too, are invited to the table.



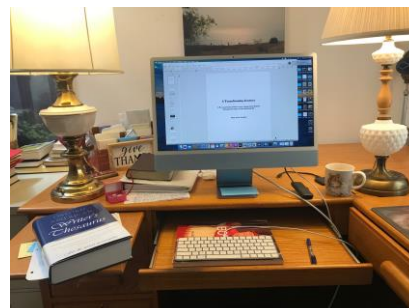
Our Kitchen Table: This week, our cozy, round, table needs to become a portable one and make room for many more people than usual, because:

On Saturday, June first, the Voelkel-Morrison-Peña families and friends will gather in Portland, Oregon, for a **Memorial Service**, for Jack's younger brother, **Hal Voelkel**, who died a few weeks ago.

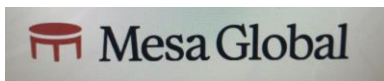
Please pray for Jack who will facilitate the sharing time and for our family, so that we can comfort, love, and serve well all those who attend.

Our worktables: We urgently need your **intercessory prayers for help and protection** as we seek to work on our memoirs each day.

Mary Anne was so grateful and encouraged when she reached Chapter 14 of her book, with only 4 or 5 more to write. However, for the last 10 days, an elusive, time-consuming, unsolvable problem with her computer program, has brought all writing to a stand-still. We are prayerfully seeking tech help, but so far, to no avail. *Please pray with us for a solution and for on-going protection.*



The Ministry Table of the mission with whom we serve: *The United World Mission (UWM)* that handles all the donations that come in for our monthly support has **changed its name!** As of June first it will be called:



(Global Table) After months of careful research and prayerful reflection, the leadership of the mission chose this name and logo to reflect their renewed vision, mission, and values in partnership with two organizations

that have merged with them: *The Latin America Mission*, with whom we served for 50 years, and *Overseas Council*, that supports seminaries world-wide. The round table depicts our commitment to partnership with the global church around the world, and symbolizes our values of mutuality, respect and interdependence.

Thank you for so often sitting at our table of friendship, prayer and support. If you are one of our donors, you can use the same email for the mission; only the name has changed to **Mesa Global**.

With our love and appreciation,

Jack and Mary Anne Voelkel

May 28, 2024