

Jam Packed June

Have you ever stuffed a suitcase so full that you had to sit on it in order to get the zipper to close? Well, that is what June has felt like for this missionary family. As the school year came to a close with the threat of the Swine Flu now a month behind, we were packing up our belongings and leaving what didn't fit in order to return to the US for itineration. Saying "adios" was a little less difficult, knowing it was more like "hasta luego" (which means "until later" in Spanish). Then, we began our 6 day journey by SUV (thank you STL!) from Mérida, Yucatan, Mexico to Springfield, MO - a 2,240 mile trek. It went off, more or less, without a hitch until reaching the toll area in Oklahoma where we lost power in the engine, not being able to get past about 50 mph.



Thanks to a nearby auto parts store and some great service, we made it to our friends' home in Willard on the 6th day before the sun went down. We'd like to say that on the 7th day we rested, but instead began our week in Missionary Renewal, which actually did have rest built into the schedule, and Reentry, a beneficial weekend of small group sessions hosted by Caring Connection. Those conferences ushered us into July, where we have focused on moving into our home here in Springfield as well as reconnecting with friends and pastors. We have been truly blessed by the many divine appointments and tangible gifts we've received since returning. Thank you for your continued prayer and support!

Follow-up in Tekax

One of the joys of missions work is being able to return to the places that we have ministered. We've had the privilege to do so for three years in Muna, and on June 7th, before we departed for the states, we were able to visit the site of our January campaign in Tekax.

Pastor Romeo Calvo (pictured above) hosted us for a farewell dinner in a home situated in the very neighborhood that the campaign took place. Several who dined with us were new converts, direct fruit from the evangelistic outreach. Also, as we ate, Pastor Romeo told us of the three new small groups that had been planted in an area where the only reminder of God took the form of an abandoned Catholic chapel.



The real treat of the day, though, was visiting with one of the church members for whom we prayed in January. At the time, she was bed-ridden, unable to attend to her own children's needs, and suffering from spiritual oppression as the result of involvement with a local cult. During this visit, she greeted us healed, active in the church, and free!



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We are looking forward to partnering with you in 2009!

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Rebekah graced the stage as a gnu in her school play "El Rey León," and the boys finished their year of basketball with a team medal. All are excited to be stateside and start homeschooling with Kelly in the fall.

