

**ABCD MCMANUS MINISTRY UPDATE**  
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**MINISTRY IS PEOPLE!**

**People is what ministry is all about.** We don't minister to houses, cars, nature or anything else. Just people. In February we enjoyed our ministry to and with people.



- **Continue praying for the salvation of Jason and Kristin (& baby Justin).**
- Jason wants to leave the family in order to work in the U.S. She doesn't want him to go and it would have a terrible effect on their marriage & family.
- Beth continues to befriend Kristin, and we've tried to help her in various ways. After years of drug abuse and many sinful habits, she exhibits attitudes and behaviors of a teenager and needs parental-type guidance as much as a friend.

- We enjoyed the fellowship of Carmen and Felix, her adult son who lives with her. They are lifelong friends of Beth's mother and live several hours away in southern Mexico City.
- This delicious traditional meal included chicken with mole, rice, beans and tortillas.
- Felix has ministered for years in Sunday school and in a boys' prison, but he seems to be struggling in his walk with the Lord of late.
- **Pray for Carmen's health and for Felix to continue walking with the Lord faithfully.**



- Luis and Soraya (with toddler Hiram) ministered in our Bible church for the past 6 months.
- Heading to Canada this summer to teach in a seminary that trains Hispanics for ministry in Muslim countries.
- While living in the very modest church-provided housing, their apartment was robbed three times and most of their belongings of value have been stolen. We gave them our old digital camera to replace their stolen one. The church struggles to pay them \$600 a month and could not afford to help them with housing elsewhere. We and the other missionaries here in San Juan are helping them financially to allow them to live in a safer apartment.
- Expecting their 2nd child this summer.
- Need several thousand dollars for travel into Canada.

• **Pray for Luis & Soraya, and if you'd like to help them financially with their needs for travel to Canada, please contact me for more information.**

- Beth and her mother taught a women's conference to the ladies of the Salamanca Bible Church (about 90 minutes away).
- The ladies' response was very positive to the two topics of Faith through Trials and of Honesty in Communication.
- The men and I watched the children during the sessions...quite an unusual act of service by the men whom in many churches would avoid what is seen as a "woman's job."



- **Pray for the ladies at Salamanca Bible Church that they will put into practice the biblical principles they've learned.**

## **FAMILY FOCUS - LITTLE PEOPLE AT HOME MINISTRY**

Cameron and Dayton continue in their own homeschooling, 3rd grade and Kindergarten. Since our itinerary is packed with travels, including our 4 month home assignment this late-April to August, Cameron has dropped out of tennis. We're making up for that by having our own little P.E. class using the President's Challenge standards. Today, Dayton came in huffing and puffing from doing the shuttle run. I told him *"You're really breathing hard there, Dayton."* He replied, *"Yeah, I just had P.U."*



Dayton loves to read and is now reading about as well as Cameron who is 3 years ahead of him! He'll read to *anyone*, including our dog who appears to be listening intently! Dayton also has an interesting imagination. He enjoys putting on "cap"es" so he can be "Wonderboy." Here he is below with "Peanut the Wonderdog." I don't think Peanut enjoyed it as much as he did!



**Pray for Cameron and Dayton as they learn and grow. Pray that Cameron will continue grow in his young faith and that Dayton will understand the Gospel and trust Jesus as his Savior too.**

### **UPCOMING TRAVELS AND EVENTS (your prayers appreciated!):**

- **APAXTLA, GUERRERO (2/27-3/2) - assisting Garcia family with science and Beth & her mom sharing with the church ladies**
- **PUEBLA (3/2-3/6) - Cameron to annual spiritual emphasis camp; Alan serving as a middle grades counselor and mosquito magnet**
- **CUERNAVACA (3/11-3/13) - Beth and her mother attend women's retreat just for missionary gals...NO MEN ALLOWED!**
- **HOSTING SPECIAL GUESTS (3/7-3/10 and 3/24-26) - a videographer to capture our ministry on film, and fellow missionaries on the latter dates to discuss MK ministries**
- **YOUTH CONGRESS (3/16-3/18) - over 100 youth from area Bible and Baptist churches at the local Christian camp for 3 days...music, prayer, talks on dating, Creation and God...need I say more?!? (We'll be running a camp store and being "go-fors.")**

***THANK-YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL PRAYERS AND SUPPORT. WE APPRECIATE YOU!***

**Touching the World One Life at a Time,**

***Alan for Beth, Cameron and Dayton McManus***

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