



Gaby's summer picture

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 Together, transforming  
 poverty into life...

Dear Friends,  
 Thank you for your prayers.  
 Here is another Armonía-  
 health update

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Gaby was put under observation without any medicines after the doctors couldn't conclude on a diagnostic. Ultrasound studies did not indicate the need for an appendectomy. Still today they think she had an acute colitis. Gaby is back at School, sore but happy and we are keeping an eye on her. We have also being sure that most students are under medical insurance provided through the Schools where they are enrolled. We still don't know what to do with the older brothers as they are not enrolled, therefore not protected for major medical issues. Please pray for these matters.

On my part, I felt a real improvement today in my health. It seems that antibiotics and corticoids finally had a good effect on me. It was also helpful to work at home/office for three days and avoid going out. Tomorrow and friday we will be working at Jalalpa and Presidentes Community Centers in the west of Mexico City as we have done for the last several weeks. We usually spent one or two nights a week in the city because of our work. Pray that we won't get too cold. We decided not to cancel their meetings with us because of the importance of them. Let me share, for example, that on Thursday afternoons, a group of American children together with their teachers and two Educational Psychologists from the American College (real US School in Mexico City for the children of US citizens working in Mexico) are developing a program together with our kids and teachers for mutual enrichment and language interchange. Saul, our son, has organized all these activities and Pilar and him are part of those who work with the children and adults. On my part I help the Center by doing simultaneously

Collaborative Inquiry on Psychological well-being with the adults from the Presidentes neighborhoods in one of the rooms (a type of formal psychological research).

Well, I will tell you in another letter more of the amazing things the Lord is doing in the Christian Urban Transformation Centers in the slums at the west of Mexico City. For now keep supporting with your faithful prayers.

We will appreciate your prayers for our Centers and the health problems we are facing at Hornos community. Swine flu is spreading very much all over Mexico and the news are appalling but once more I would like to say that we haven't had a single case of it among all our Community Centers and Student Residences in Mexico City or Oaxaca. Praise the Lord! Pray for resources as our ministry income has been very low in the last months. Pray for the weather as it is being very cold and it won't get better soon. Pray that we will be ready as our children in Oaxaca will need soon warmer clothing and we should be thinking in a difficult and cold Christmas season for them and for the children and the elderly in Mexico City.

We send you our love and gratitude for your intercessions for us and for keeping us in your hearts.

In Christ,  
 Saul and Pilar in behalf of Saul Jr. and all the Armonía members