

May 2023

We started out the month of April with Semana Santa, the week leading up to Easter Sunday, which is definitely more celebrated in Honduras than the States. Many Hondurans celebrate by going to the beach and since the town we live in is a crossroads on the way to the ocean we experienced lots of traffic. I can't help but think that this time next year, we will probably have just recently started our first church in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Pray that God would bless the rest of our path to that next stage in ministry. Pray that we will make great progress in Spanish. Pray that we would reach some souls for Jesus while we are here in El Progresso.

Sofia has been growing and learning. She sings, "Jesus Loves Me" every day, prays for breakfast every morning, kisses and hugs her baby dolls good night, and tries to sweep the floor with a broom twice her size. The other day, Amber was taking a short nap on the couch and I am pretty sure Sofia was trying to do a C-section on her mom. Sofia had her plastic toy kitchen knife on Amber's stomach and said she wanted to see Baby.

Speaking of which, **please pray for our daughter's birth at the end of next month.** She is healthy and strong, and we pray that she will arrive safely. We live about an hour from a nice private hospital, which is where Amber would prefer to give birth, so pray that Baby girl gives us plenty of warning to get there in time.

I have been a bit under the weather health-wise this month, and have used the time at home to drill myself in lots of Spanish grammar. At a near point in the future I will be scheduling a test to determine whether my Spanish satisfies the requirements for finishing language school, but I will always be learning. Amber's Spanish studies are going well and God has given her the opportunity to do a weekly Bible study (in Spanish) with a new believer. We've been able to host several families from church in our home, and we have enjoyed the fellowship as well as the chance to practice Spanish.

The next major step on our list of goals is starting the residency process. We were unable to start this immediately because of several important documents that were held up in the States when we moved to Honduras. We have a two-week trip planned to the States in May to address those things, and we are hoping to make some major progress in our paper work, so please pray that all goes well both in the States and when we return to Honduras.

It is a blessing to know that you are praying for us. We pray for you as well, and if there is ever something specific you would like us to pray for, please share it with us! Serving Christ,

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