



A Date with the Creator

After the first week of creation, God made one day of the week special, He called it the Sabbath (Genesis 2:2). On that day, He would take time to be in close communion with His creation. When Jesus walked the earth as a man, He followed the same pattern. He would customarily go to the synagogue and read scripture, teach about His father's kingdom, and heal the sin-sick souls in the backdrop of nature (Luke 4:16).

Life here in La Tronquera has its stresses at times for us as missionaries. The work days are long and we feel a weight of responsibility to be productive. When Sabbath arrives at the end of each week, it is truly a blessed rest for us. We enjoy going to church very much. The little cement church building is not much to look at, but when the small congregation sings, you would think it was a choir of angels. The Miskito children are excited to come to church and are more regular in attendance than their parents, coming even when their parents stay home. They are eager to learn the stories of the Bible and to share and participate during the service.

Sabbath afternoons, the families return home for lunch and a "siesta." Sometimes we like to go to the river behind the mission house and float in the cool water for some rest and relaxation in God's creation while the minnows nibble at our feet and the birds praise God from the treetops.

Our favorite Sabbath tradition in La Tronquera, however, is visiting a different home each week to sing hymns and express our gratitude to God for His many blessings. We always feel the presence of the Holy Spirit during these evening worships. All our cares fade away and there is an inexplicable peace, restorative to our spirits. Without fail, our hosts express their gratitude for the unexpected visit to their humble home, and we feel our hearts intertwine with theirs in Christ-like love.

This past Sabbath we visited a family that we had only met once when earlier in the week they needed a ride to the "big city" of Waspan for doctor's visits and provisions. Turns out, several members of that household had been baptized, but stopped attending church for the past couple of years. As God draws them with lovingkindness, we pray they will again worship with us next Sabbath.





These are the joys we get to experience as we allow the Holy Spirit to work in and through us as God’s representatives. It may sound simple, but especially on God’s appointed day of rest (Exodus 20:8, Matthew 12:8), we see Him at work in our hearts, and those whom we come in contact with. We often think of you, our friends and family in the U.S. The biggest comfort for our homesickness has been these special moments when we praise and worship God. It is like we are reunited somehow. I believe this is God’s love, a foreshadow of when we will be all together in heaven. Thank you for partnering with us to bring more souls into the kingdom.

God bless you!

Your AWA Nicaragua Mission Families




PRAYER REQUEST:

Safety and protection for the family.

PROJECT NEEDS:

#1 Toyota Truck ~ Low Mileage, Reliable, 4 wheel drive \$28,000-35,000
#2 Remodeling Mission Base into a Community Health & Learning Center \$7,000

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Josh and Yosiday Fix Caleb and Isaac



Caleb Runne, Glenda Escudero, Jordana and Enoch

