



The Smith Connection

It has been a week for updates. The flu outbreak here in Mexico has slowed things down quite considerably, giving us time to catch up on some things, including communicating what God is doing here. Thanks for your prayers for us!

Surgery Update – We praise God that Lori’s recent surgery went well, and that she continues to recover nicely. It was a tremendous blessing for us to have the help of two ladies from our home church in PA. They helped nurse Lori, school the girls, cook the meals, and in general take care of the home for about two weeks. Thanks so much for praying for Lori’s health. We trust that she will continue to get well and regain her strength.



Our Kids – Tara and Ben both celebrated birthdays recently – Tara is 8 and Ben is 6. All three are enjoying swimming classes twice a week, and getting pretty good at swimming. Ben is just about finished with his Mexican Kindergarten experience. He will be joining the girls in homeschool for first grade in the fall. Kendra and Tara recently enjoyed a Spiritual Emphasis Camp with their fellow MKs and have also benefitted from a new homeschool co-op. We praise God for our children and the way they are growing.



The H1N1 Flu – Mexico has been in the news an awful lot recently. This flu outbreak has affected us in some ways, but we praise God for His protection. We did have to cancel our church activities for a week – we encouraged all the church members to spend time as families praying together. We enjoyed a family church service including celebrating communion together. It was a special time. We also praise God for the way he allowed for this time right after Lori’s surgery so that Bryan could continue to focus on helping Lori at home as she continued to recover. During this time we have been able to catch up on other things and spend a good bit of time on the phone with church members.



Easter Service – Each year several of the area churches come together at Koinonia Camp to celebrate Christ’s resurrection. This year our national co-worker, Mauricio Perez, was asked to share the Word.



At the end of the service he gave an invitation to which three people responded, one of them being his own cousin! The other two were a couple, also family members of another brother in Christ from a sister church here in Queretaro. Later on we heard that in both cases people had been praying for their salvation for many years, and had been testifying to them with the Word and in deed. It was a special time of rejoicing in the Lord!

Church Youth Group – This year we have been involved with our church youth again. It has been a blessing to see the youth come together and get excited about meeting. They are currently working on two projects that they would like to raise funds for – our church community center and a trip to Six Flags! Please pray with us that these youth would continue to grow in their relationship with



the Lord. We desire to have an impact on them for God’s glory. Pray especially for Hugo as he desires to study at the Seminary and serve the Lord. His mother is an unbeliever and does not agree with this plan. Please pray for her salvation as well.



We so appreciate the prayers, support, e-mails, cards, and phone calls, especially over the last few weeks. God has given us a great team!

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Bryan, Lori, Kendra, Tara, & Ben


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