ROENSPIE'S REPASO

News from Jeff, lilia and Gabriel Roenspie
Serving with Calvary Chapel in Hermosillo Sonora

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Summer Teams—This summer has been memorable so far, for a few reasons. First, Hermosillo set a new record for high temperatures, hitting 119 degrees Farenheit in late June. Unfortunately, that was around the time we welcomed a team of 10 from Morningstar Christian Chapel (Whittier, California). Morningstar has been long-time supporters, working with us since we were in the Philippines. We were blessed to see a few familiar faces and some new ones!





They got right to work at the Children's Home, painting the new

rooms and installing the electrical system. They also took time to do a special beach outing for the kids one day, and every afternoon, hosted a small kid's Bible Club (foto above). The children were thrilled with all the personal attention, great teaching, and fun games. They also found time to have a special birthday breakfast for Jeff! By the time they left, the directors determined they were ready to begin moving into their new facility, something they thought couldn't happen until late July!

Casa de Gracia - As we said above, the children's home was able to begin the process of moving out of their cramped, awkward temporary facility and into their new permanent home. It was a relatively smooth transition, as the new home is only about 1/2 mile from the old one. Over the process of days, all of the furniture, appliances, and personal items of the 20 children plus family of 3 were packed up and hauled away. For a

few days, all meals were "camping style", like the spaghetti feed Lilia made (foto below) Just the reality of *finally* being in their new home made the transition worthwhile.

The kids are excited to be in their new home and were able to settle in before heading off for brief vacations with their biological families. Some stayed behind for summer school or personal reasons. We like to take advantage of this "slow period" to have children over in smaller groups. Throughout the summer, Gabe has become the official host, inviting the boys over for wii parties and soccer tournaments. We know that this is a limited time period, so we want to take the time to get to know and invest in each child personally.



School of Ministry- We finished out two sessions of our Cults and Religions Course in July. There were a few delays with the class, (illnesses and travel on the students part, plus the robbery of all of our electrical cable at the church which made it impossible to hold classes one week). Despite these hurdles, five students finished the Monday course and 8 finished the Tuesday evening course. We feel confident they are "prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have" 1 Peter 3:15). The second part of this class, apologetics, will be offered this Fall, along with a study of Romans.

We continue to weekly recording sessions of *Passion and Purity*. It's been a long, involved project, incorporating more voice actors, but we've nearly finished all the speaking parts of Jim Elliot. At this pace, we hope to finish by January 2013 and allow Mrs. (Elliot) Gren to review it and approve it. Plase continue tpray for the dedicated members who are weekly seeing this project through to completion.

We are also hoping to continue expanding our courses to the youth of the Costa. This summer we had a great turn out for the Basic Inductive Bible study course, *Viva y Eficaz (*Living and Active) with the youth

from Plan de Ayala (foto right). It was two-day course, and nearly everyone completed all the homework and assignments. They've asked us to come back to do the second part, the continuation of the Epistles and Introduction to Prophecy We are on track to offer the first course in Calle Doce in August.



Amor Fraternal—In August, Centro Cristiano Amor Fraternal will celebrate its 7th Anniversary! Seven years ago Jose and Adriana Machado began a small home study with the desire to see it grow into a local church. We are blessed to have been part of it for six of those years. Recently we have seen an influx of new families and singles, some of whom came from other churches. The majority are family members or co-workers of church members who were invited and stayed. Please continue to pray for the health of our church and for healthy, consistent growth.

Part of that growth, of course, means more kids... which is where Lilia comes in. The Sunday School program has seen major growth. Recently we have split up the younger children (over 2-under 12) into three groups, which requires the coordination of three teachers, curriculum, and craft and ministry supplies. In the process, Lilia continues to be part of the teaching rotation. Pray for wisdom and, of course, more teachers!

Summer Blessings—Just as summer was starting, we were blessed with a visit from Jeff's sister, Lisa, who lives in Reno. Lisa has visited us in the Philippines, Sacramento, and now twice in Mexico. She is a huge source of encouragement to us! We were able to escape for a few days to San Carlos as well as spending time here in Hermosillo. She strategically planned here visit around a few of the official holidays in Mexico at that time, so Gabe got some much-needed family time with his Aunt. Lisa brought special gifts for the kids at the childrens home (pinecones from Lake Tahoe!), and quickly won their hearts.

This summer has been a blessing to Gabe, as the 6am wake-up call has ceased for the time being! He is enjoying interacting with friends, mainly from the Casa Hogar, and doing some summer school courses (not his favorite). In July, Gabe was able to attend the youth camp with Calvary Chapel Casa Grande, who made the trip possible. Gabe was thrilled to have a chance to interact with other youth at a beautiful facility outside Sedona. He came back with a new set of friends and challenged by the Word. Thank you, C.C. Casa Grande, for being so considerate to a bored MK this summer! As always, thanks to all of you, too, for your constant encouragement and support!

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PRAYER POINTS...

- *Please continue to pray for the House* of Grace Children's Home as they make the adjustment into their new. permanent home. Pray Please also pray for the Child Sponshorship Program which we launched this fall, which allows donors to connect with a particular child. Pray that it would be fruitful in encouraging the children of *God's provision and personal care for* each of them.
- *Pray for the Neighborhood Bible Club* - The woman who launched it, Lety. recently discovered she is pregnant, and needs to be very cautious as her pregnancies have been complicated. Pray that the other teachers would have the same vision and love for the kids, and that they would understand the truth of who Jesus is.
- Pray for continued direction and provision for the School of Ministry. We will head into our third year, the completion (we hope) of the first cycle of the school. There is always fine tuning and changes to be made.
- Pray for Gabe, as he makes the transition to homeschooling this year, and heads toward the milestone of turning 15! We are so blessed by this young man, and pray that God will continue to make clear His plans and purposes for him.



