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Hales Family Happenings

December 2014



Marry Christmas from Colton and all of us!

PRAISE...

- Cari is much better and God is working on her and Wiliam.
- Volunteering and language learning is going well.
- Putting screens on all the windows greatly helped lower the amount of mosquito bites Colton is getting.
- Elisha seems to be very healthy as God prepares him for the outside world.

PRAY...

- That Elisha would turn so he is not breech and will be prepared for a natural birth.
- For my continuous improvement in Spanish.
- That we will find ways to make it feel more like Christmas while the temp feels like 95.
- For the relationships we are building.

Jesse, Rebecca, Colton & Elisha

I want to start out with a big answer to prayer. Last month we asked you to be praying for a friend of ours named Cari who we have been trying to witness to and has been very sick. Cari was the daytime "guard" at our apartment building when we moved here. Her boyfriend Wiliam is the night guard. After getting to know them and becoming friends with both of them we noticed that Cari had not been to work for a few days and Wiliam was covering her shift as well as his. We asked about her and found out that she had gone back to Haiti to see the doctor because she was very sick and couldn't hold any food down. Her condition kept getting worse and got to the point that they didn't think she could make it much longer. She was able to have the needed surgery to fix the problem and immediately started getting better. Although it may be a long time before we get to see Cari again due to the difficulties she faces in being able to come back to the Dominican, God has used this to stir Wiliam's heart. Just last week he jumped in the car to Colton's delight and went to church with us. Please keep praying for these two souls.

Another praise is that I (Jesse) have been able to start volunteering with a few of the guys from church to build relationships and language skills. Ariel is one of those guys. He is the leader of the youth ministry here at the Nagua church on Wednesday nights. He works at a local factory making windows and doors during the day. I didn't know what in the world to expect when he took me there the first day to spend some time working with him and from the looks on the faces of his coworkers they didn't know what to expect either. It has turned out to be fantastic, though, and I've found that not only am I getting lots of practice in Spanish and building a relationship with one of the church workers we are here to minister to, but I am also getting to build some great relationships with the rest of the guys at the factory. I think they enjoy teaching me as much as I enjoy learning from them. Only God knows where this relationship building might lead. Thank you for praying for us and we hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year!!!





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