

MISSIONARY MEMOIRS



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1- The group washed the boys' sheets, and one went over the wall. Mimi's nose bled.

2- The group painted doors in the kids' house. Ruth Ann and I took Andrew (with fever for four days) and Steven (normal check-up) to the doctor. We were gone FOREVER. Pam, Bradley and Carol did the monthly grocery shopping and errands with Steve. My mom and Pam scrubbed floors. Men worked on administrative office. Women painted iron rods. Carlos detests getting a bath in the morning after having accidents.

3- Wagner and Geovany were the chefs for breakfast. Elizabeth made cinnamon rolls for everyone. Kenny has now become a master sheet-rocker.

4- We made an assembly line of cleaning ears, cutting and painting nails, cutting hair, and flossing teeth. Mary Ann organized my classroom. Victor said that getting his ears cleaned made him sneeze. The new basketball goal/pole is up. Entry gate done. Bonfire night!

5- Group went to Antigua. Marta's great aunt visited saying that Marta is now living with her daughter and had told them that we locked her out so she just came there. She arrived there nine days after she left here. Hmm! Geovany made a video.

6- Geovany has felt poorly with his stomach and head too recently. Gerson got in trouble in the evening for hiding under Geovany's bed. Everyone was looking for him for quite a while. Several kids tricked us with chores and homework to play with the new goal. My dad worked on sheet rock most of the day.

7- Dorcas got up very early to make breakfast. Group returned from Antigua. Taz got all the electric working in the offices the group worked on. Pizza night!

8- Group left.

9- I took Brenda, Gabriela (regular check-ups) and Phillip (growth on his neck) to the doctor.

10- A nanny quit.

12- **We all** studied a lot. Steve and I did all the cooking all day.

13- Exam week began with Colegio La Senda. Andrew began home-schooling with me.

14- Dorcas is bossy to the nannies.

15- We are getting tired with lacking one nanny.

16- I took Jefersson (check up), Phillip (to measure lump on neck, which has gone down) and Andrew (to have neck lump seen about) to the doctor.

17- It was Jefersson's birthday. It was exciting for him since he has been counting the days since August 1.

- 18- Rosita and I went to get Aunt Joyce, who is coming for the last school year quarter, at the airport.
- 19- Steve and Dorcas went to church. Carlos hurt his foot. We had a day full of “woe is me” teenager attitude/thoughts.
- 20- Steve and I talked to the nannies about their negative and unforgiving attitudes.
- 21- Another nanny quit. I took Phillip and Andrew to get their necks looked at. Phillip’s is now normal. Andrew’s lump was more than double the size of Phillip’s two weeks ago. Steven likes to clean the laundry room, but Jefersson does not like to pick up trash and doggy yuckies outside.
- 22- The girls slept in. Samy is giving the two nannies a hard time telling them that he liked others better.
- 23- Steve went to the market. The two nannies told us that they would work extra hours until the end of the month.
- 24- Geovany went to the lab to give a sample because of his diarrhea and headache problem for the past few months. He has a parasite. Grades came out. Nobody did super-duper. Brenda CANNOT pass fourth grade. Phillip, Andrew and I took Joyce and Athena to the mall. Mimi went home with Paula.
- 25- Phillip scraped his elbow. Brenda and Samy built a house.
- 26- We went to the early service. A new nanny began, 52, we always have had younger but since we have five teenagers thought it would be good to have one older.
- 27- Steve took the ten-year-olds and younger to get ice cream, pizza and a movie. Yeny and I made chocolate chip cookies. She put the egg in whole.
- 28- No school today-Sumpango’s fair day. I took the ones who did not go yesterday (and Joyce and Athena) on a picnic and then to get ice cream. Yaquelin and Geovany went to the fair. We had a bonfire.
- 29- Yeny spilled fingernail polish all over the sink.
- 30- Steve did some errands. Steven has bug bites.
- 31- Half day of school because of teacher-in service. Edgardo has wet the bed three days in a row.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- + Security
- + Guatemalan elections in September
- + Volunteer English teachers for 2008

PRAISES

- + Aunt Joyce came to teach English.
- + Classroom going well
- + Everyone’s health is better.