# Busyness and Business

# Staying focused on God amidst all we are doing.



As many of you already know, we have had quite a busy past couple months. We are glad we are still able to keep you all up-to-date with our goings-on between our newsletter and blog posts. We have been trying to put out more blog posts lately to help keep you connected on a more personal level with our different areas of ministry. In this newsletter we hope to capture the big moments we have had over the past month. Our biggest "event" was our recent shortterm team (pictured above). They were able to put the finishing touches on Maria's house! She is so delighted to see the project near its end. She told us that it is a bittersweet moment because she never thought the time would come that the house would be completed but also is sad that her sister who passed away recently will not be able to enjoy her new house with her. Click here for the video!

## Praise!

Thank God for Missy getting her Guatemalan ID card and Dylan's residency approval! Now Dylan just has to get his card and then we can get driver's licenses.

### Pray!

We are still looking for new or increased investments in our ministry to help us with our furlough home next year.

#### Praise!

Our boss' recent trip to Guatemala was fruitful and Servants de Guatemala is now official! We hope his next trip will result in getting a bank account set up. Uniting 2 Serve Newsletter

#### Celebrate Recovery

Missy had the challenge this past month of helping the girls in her small group step study work through a relational issue. It was difficult but she also found great joy in being able to remind the girls what Jesus tells us we must do when there is an issue between us as brothers and sisters in Christ.

"Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift." (Matthew 5:23-24)

This was also a great opportunity for her to share with them one of the future steps they will be working through in Celebrate Recovery because step 9 tells us to "Make direct amends to people we have hurt whenever possible, except when to do so would harm them or others." After this challenge was worked out the ladies moved forward and have now finished the first book of their step study and have started the second book. Please continue to pray for them as in the second book they will be working through their spiritual inventory and this can be one of the most difficult parts of the recovery process.

The men working through the step study with Dylan are also moving along well and creating a strong bond as future leaders in the church. They too are close to finishing book one and will soon be confronted with their spiritual inventories as well.

As a result of the team that came to work with us and the short time we took to celebrate our 4th anniversary, the men and women training to be leaders of their prospective CR ministries had to lead without us. The meetings went great and another woman reconciled with Jesus one of those weeks! Join us in praising God for how He is raising up leaders, healing men and women, and drawing them into a relationship with Him through this program.

#### Serving At Risk Families

We had the privilege of facilitating a meeting between a sponsor and their SARF family in July. It was a joy for us to see them get to know each other and build their relationship more. It is so amazing to see how God connects people's hearts even though they live thousands of miles away and come from completely different backgrounds and cultures. It is a pleasure for us to be allowed to be a part of it! Click here to see how you can make a difference too!

#### Servants de Guatemala

Trent was here in the beginning of August and the official paperwork is finished to create the Guatemalan counterpart of our organization! Unfortunately, we hit a snag at the bank and he must return to sort it out and open a bank account here for the organization. Please pray for this process to be finished with Trent's next trip to Guatemala so we can begin operating more efficiently in order to serve families better.



Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things. - Philippians 4:8

We might say it a lot, but we are extremely grateful for your continued prayers, support, encouragement and love. It gives us an opportunity to love the people of Guatemala and see the fruits of what God is doing through us especially when we see speechless reactions of families like dear Maria's (pictured left) when she

walked into her finished house. May God bless you richly for being obedient to His call to support our ministry the way you do.

> In His Love. Dylan & Míssy Brobst

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