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# SUMMER IS OVER!!



## SUMMER CELEBRATE RECOVERY RETREAT

Thanks to the donation from a group of women who were down here 4 years ago to do a retreat for the men of Celebrate Recovery (CR), this month Missy was able to partner with 2 other women in the church and plan a retreat for the women of CR. It was a wonderful day for all the women. They had a day free from their families where they could relax, hear God's word, and hear testimonies from other women in CR. They were reminded that they are special and valuable no matter what hurts, habits, or hang-ups they have and that God created them to be victorious women in Jesus which was the theme of the retreat. After a great morning filled with all these wonderful things the women were given a delicious meal and then had the opportunity to head off to a local pool to relax and fellowship for the rest of the afternoon. As one woman shared, "It was a true blessing for all involved and we could see the Holy Spirit breaking open hearts and drawing women closer to Jesus." It was beautiful!

## YES, WE SAID SUMMER IS OVER!

We have finally entered the 'winter' season here in Guatemala. As we've shared before in Guatemala they only have 2 seasons summer and winter. Summer goes from November – April and Winter goes from May – October. The reason for this is because from May – October is the rainy season and it gets cooler here because of the rain. It still seems different for us to call these months winter but we have been anxiously awaiting "winter" this year as the last several months of summer have been EXTREMELY hot and it's no fun living in high 80 – low 90 degree weather without air conditioning. But we survived and we are thankful

### Prayer requests

#### Spiritual Direction Installing Deacons

We recently started this with some mentors who have been doing it for awhile. Please pray for our continued spiritual growth so we can keep helping others grow spiritually.

On May 29 Dylan finished the class on deaconship (pic to right) at the church. Please pray for the leaders as we move forward in the process of installing deacons.

#### Counseling

We continue to counsel the parents of one of our families through marriage issues. We feel very inadequate but we keep pointing them to Jesus who is never inadequate. Please pray for healing in their marriage and for wisdom for us.



# SUMMER BLESSINGS

We know your summer is just starting but as we look back over our busy summer we are so thankful for the blessings the Lord has given us!

## AMO – Celebrate Recovery for kids

While the adults are in CR on Friday night their children are also receiving a bible lesson. The program the church uses is called AMO (which mean love in Spanish) and in this program the children are taught biblical principles through lessons, crafts, music, and plays. The kids recently finished the first level of this program and received their certificates (picture top left). The kids are loving it and we are so thankful for another opportunity to share some of our many blessings and provide this curriculum for this class. The reason we were able to do that is thanks to faithful ministry partners like you so thank you for partnering with us to help bring the truth of the gospel to these children. We continue to wait for CR kids and teenagers program to be in Spanish please join us in praying for this to come about as we've been waiting for 3 years now :)



## Birthday Parties

In May our team of missionaries were able to host 2 birthday parties for kids in the communities we serve. Sylvia (picture above after getting cake smashed in her mouth) and Jose (picture top right with his piñata) had great birthdays thanks to faithful sponsors. It was such a blessing for all of us to be able to spend time with these children and remind them that they are special, loved, and that the lives Jesus gave them are something to be celebrated.



## June SARF team

As we ended summer and started winter here in Guatemala we kicked it off by hosting a team of servants who came down to serve for 10 days. They built bunk beds and storage cabinets for the new Servants Ministry Center, they took the families we serve to the pool, they visited with different families in their homes, and even built a bed for a single mom and her 3 girls. We are so blessed by all teams who come to serve with us. If you've been here on a team thank you and please come again. If you haven't been here on a team but would like to [click here for more info!](#)





# We're Coming to Visit!!!

That's right you read it correctly in August we're coming back to the U.S. for a visit. There were some churches who wanted us to share with them when we were home last year but we ran out of time. Because we will not be coming back to the U.S. again until 2018 we decided to make a trip to try to share with these churches and visit friends and family so that we didn't have to go from our last visit in 2015 until 2018 without seeing everyone. It will be a shorter visit this time as we are arriving at the end of August and leaving in mid October but we would love to see everyone we can so if you would like to get together with us please send us a message as our time is filling up quickly. Also, if you would like us to share with your church or small group message us and we will be happy to set that up as well. [Click here to email us!](#)



Praise the Lord a few weeks ago Dylan looked at his passport and realized that it expires this year before August. We are so grateful that he caught this and was able to renew his passport in time. We're also grateful for how much healthier Dylan is now as opposed to 10 years ago when he got his last passport. When he got it back he handed it to me and said "The good news is I'm not anywhere near as fat...the bad news is I may or may not look like a criminal in my passport photo." Love his humor! So we have everything set and we are looking forward to seeing you all soon!...provided that Dylan does not get arrested or detained for looking like a criminal ☺

Thank you all for your love, prayers, encouragement, and partnership! We are so blessed by the amazing team that God has given us to serve with here in Guatemala!

Love,  
Missy and Dylan Brobst

