

A belated Happy New Year from Guatemala!

We pray your 2019 is filled with good health and blessings from on High! We closed out 2018 with a bang! Our end-of-the-year ministry par-

ties began early in December. First, it was the Lady's and Children's Christmas party followed a week later by hosting the English-speaking Lady's Bible Study Christmas party and our Boy's Club end-of-the-year outing. Four of the boys and their leader were able to experience things they've never had the pleasure of experiencing. There were Biblical learning lessons all along the way blended into the fun of staying at a nice hotel, bowling, swimming, playing billiards and arcade games, eating out and going to the zoo. These young men come from rather impoverished circumstances and some do not have fathers. They learned a lot and had a blast in the process.



Singing "Silent Night" to candlelight is always a special moment at the Lady's Christmas Party.

Each child and each one of the ladies in the Spanish-speaking Bible Study received a Christmas gift.



English-speaking Bible Study Lisa attends in Antigua.

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By God's grace, we are now into full swing of 2019. In preparation for the new year, Roxana, an ex-alumna of our Children's Bible Study, painted some unfinished walls in the Children's Bible Study rooms. Roxana was eight years old when she turned her life over to the Lord Jesus Christ here in this ministry. Now 29, a wife, teacher and talented painter, she attends the Lady's Bible Study. Last year, Roxana painted the children's walls leaving them colorful and joyful. We are grateful to various ex-alumni that have come back to serve and share their talents in this ministry, Ambassadors for Jesus Christ.

In November, thanks to a donation of frequent flyer tickets and the generosity of friends and family, we were able to spend nearly three weeks in Arizona. We attended the wedding of a young man Lisa cared for and home-educated when he was little. Daniel, now 32, spoke his vows before God overlooking the magnificent views at the Arizona Country Club. Art was asked to pray a blessing over the couple at the rehearsal dinner the night before the wedding. Only days later, we celebrated Thanksgiving with family for the first time in over 20 years. Various family events were planned during our visit including a game night and a Lady's Tea Party. It was also a great opportunity to have some time with son Lance and family who recently moved from Tulsa, OK to Chandler, AZ. While in Scottsdale, we spoke at our home church, Calvary Church of the Valley, and got together with friends and family. Lisa is especially grateful for the day she spent with her girlfriend, Lynn Sperry,



a two-time cancer survivor. Upon landing back in Guatemala, Lisa was shocked to learn Lynn had a fatal accident at home. God had a special plan and their time together during this visit was part of it.

Lynn & Lisa's special day together celebrating Lynn's birthday.

Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Keats



Center right: Lance & Marsha, center left grandsons, Chandler and Lance & wife, Jackceny (far left) and great-granddaughter, Eva.



Tea time for the girls; Lisa, Melanie, Mindi & Deena plus nieces and granddaughters

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