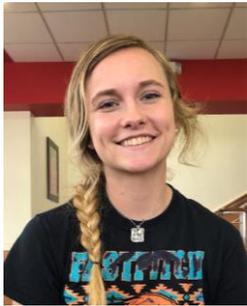


June - July 2019

Daniel Coates Family

Missionaries to Guatemala



We enjoyed having several visitors from the U.S., including a University student majoring in “Global Studies”. Christy was a real blessing to us, and we pray that the Lord will guide her and bless her as she seeks to do His will in her life, her education, and future ministry.

Daniel’s mom Wanda, our daughter Jessica, and Laytia, another NBBS student and special friend of the family, were all here to help us celebrate our daughter Johanna’s Quiceaños. It was a joyful time celebrating her life and asking God’s blessings on her future.

Also in June, our church celebrated Father’s Day and the church’s 11th Anniversary, inviting a special guest preacher who spoke on the physical, emotional, and spiritual responsibilities of fathers. It was encouraging, and the church in La Esperanza continues to grow. We started a new semester at the Seminary SEBBIQ in Xela. Jillian and Joseph continue their studies there, and Daniel is teaching one of the courses. We praise the Lord for all these opportunities to serve Him and to be light to the nation of Guatemala.

The Passing of a Little ‘Giant’

Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of His saints. We believe that is because they then get to go be with Him, but meanwhile we sure do miss them in this life. Our dear friend and precious servant of the Lord, Flora Martin, passed into His presence on June 18. When we arrived in Guatemala several years ago, Flo and her husband Frank opened their home and their hearts to our family. They had been present when we married, and Bro. Frank was part of the Counsel laying hands on and praying over Daniel as he was ordained into the ministry. When we arrived on the field of Guatemala, they were our first teachers about the culture and language here, and showed us some areas that had great need of a Gospel light. When Frank passed away a few short weeks later, we worked side by side with Flo and the young pastor of their last church plant while our family attended language school. We have many wonderful memories of life and work with the Martins, and are grateful for their influence and testimony of faithfulness to the Lord right to the end of their race. *Hebrews 12: 1, 2 “Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith...”*



By God’s grace we continue to run the race!

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