



**The Masters Family in Antigua Guatemala**

## **FAMILY**

After spending one exciting, educational month in Guatemala, we are readjusting to life in Dallas. The girls enjoyed their cultural adjustment, (although they continued to order hamburgers in Guatemalan restaurants, just to be on the safe side.) They did great with all of the walking – most places required a 2-3 mile round trip walk, and they especially liked the playland at the Pollo Campero (a popular Guatemalan chicken restaurant). They learned some Spanish words and phrases, and even watched some cartoons in Spanish.

We are now settling into summer time here in Mesquite. Alyssa is taking swim lessons, and the girls are enjoying the library's summer reading program. This fall will see a big change as Sabrina begins Kindergarten, and goes off to school every day with Alyssa. She is very excited about Kindergarten, but the all day program will be a big adjustment. Olivia will miss having her big sisters around to play with her.

## **GEEK SPEAK (Brian's column)**

In our last letter you learned about Aaron Kraft, our new IT Support guy, who started a week before we left for Guatemala. When we returned things were running very smoothly. I am very thankful to God for providing such a knowledgeable and missions focused individual. Thank you for praying for Aaron.

July has indeed been the web site month as Josh, Aaron, and I finished up the details for the new [www.caminternational.org](http://www.caminternational.org) web site. Other members of our staff have worked many hours gathering and editing content and uploading content in order to meet our launch date of August 1<sup>st</sup>. We will continue to add content and develop new pieces to this infrastructure. Please visit our new web site where you can view many short-term and long-term missionary opportunities.

The next web project is to convert our missionary homepages

into the new format for our site. Please pray that this project moves quickly and smoothly so that we can provide the best support for our CAM missionaries.

As our technology team at CAM Center grows, we are able to provide more services for our missionaries and better coverage with our different areas of expertise. August, September, and October will be filled with projects such as:

- Web projects which include an e-commerce site (Internet stores) and converting our Intranet (web site that is dedicated to our missionary body) to our new platform.
- Researching a new accounting/donor system and a new storage area network.
- Installation of a video surveillance system.

## **LANGUAGE SCHOOL**

God answered your prayers for our language learning! Brian was able to complete the first book and start the second book before the end of the month of June. (There are 7 books or sections that CSA's offers for a full understanding of Spanish). Jennifer (with some high school Spanish already) started in the second book and was able to complete the third book. We both have the next books and are committed to continuing our learning here in Dallas.

I'd like to share a story with you as an encouragement that God can use you wherever you are. Paul and Ruth Philippi, CAM Missionaries that owned the apartment in which we were staying, invited us and an unsaved lady in her 80's named Dorothy to accompany them to church one Sunday. As we were riding to church, I asked Dorothy what had made the biggest impact on her life in Guatemala. She responded that the book, *A Purpose Driven Life*, had really changed her life. This was a surprise to Ruth, who had given her the book earlier this year. We talked further and could sense that she still had not trusted Jesus yet.

However, in between services that morning, she began to ask me about the book, "The Da Vinci Code." As we discussed this controversial book/movie, Dorothy turned and look me straight in the eyes and with all sincerity asked, "So Brian, do you really believe in this Jesus?" Wow! What an open door! For the next several minutes I shared the Gospel with this retired philosophy professor. Dorothy wasn't ready to accept Christ that day but one can see clearly that the Holy Spirit was working. We have sent her a book, *The Stranger on the Road to Emmaus*, which explains the Bible / Gospel in such a way (we pray) that will put the pieces together for her.

We know that God dropped that opportunity in our lap for his Glory and we hope that it will encourage you to be ready and seeking opportunities to share the Gospel with those around you too.





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**PRAYER:**

- Energy, wisdom and discernment on the projects we have planned for the next 3 months.
- Continued spiritual growth in each member of our family.
- Olivia (3 years old last May) to learn more about her need to accept Christ.
- Salvation for Dorothy and Lily – two people whom we met in Guatemala.
- Opportunities to use Spanish weekly.

**PRAISE:**

- We accomplished our goal of immersing ourselves in the Latin culture to learn Spanish.

Brian, Jennifer, Alyssa, Sabrina and Olivia Masters

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