

The Wokaty Family

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January/February Newsletter. January was off to a good start. Dan took his mom back to her home in Virginia after she spent a few weeks with us, and from there he traveled to Florida to participate in the ARCH missions summit and the ARCH pastors' fellowship. There was a good representation of Spanish-speaking ministries at both events. Dan also began one of two online courses that he will teach during the first half of this year. There were a few bumps in the road, however. In early January, after snow turned into freezing rain, Dan stepped outside and slipped off the porch, falling a few feet onto a pruned rose bush. As a result, one pointed and thorny branch gashed his leg and left quite an impression on him (literally!) and left him limited in movement for a few days. After that, Dan was returning from a trip when he became sick with a fever that lasted four days, followed by a slow recovery. Due to the sickness, he had to cancel his first international trip of the year. Dan recently shared with a group of men a lesson that he continues to learn throughout his life: We must react in gratitude when God gives us opportunities to grow through unanticipated circumstances.

Tijuana trip. From February 11-15, Dan traveled to Tijuana during Iglesia Bautista Puerta Abierta's sixth annual Pastoral Growth Conference. Dr. Ken Casillas taught a course that week that was based on his book, *Beyond Chapter and Verse: The Theology and Practice of Biblical Application*. Although TEAM Mobile Seminary was significantly involved in logistics for previous years' conferences at the church, Dan's involvement with the conference this year was minimal. He was able to preach at the church during their Wednesday evening service and provide a challenge to the pastors on Thursday. An additional blessing was to fellowship with four MGMI missionaries at the conference and see around twenty former students of ours who are faithfully serving Christ.

The main purpose of Dan's trip was the dissertation defense of Iglesia Bautista Puerta Abierta's Assistant Pastor David Cortés. Dan and Dr. Casillas served as the committee members for Pastor David's dissertation defense. Pastor David successfully defended his dissertation entitled, *When My Church Is Without Me: A Manual for Pastoral Transitions for Independent Fundamental Baptist Churches in Mexico*. Pastor David was a former student of Dan's when he studied at Instituto Práctico Ebenezer y Seminario in Hermosillo, Sonora, for a year before transferring to BJU to earn his undergraduate degree, his master's degree, and his Doctor of Ministry degree. Pastor David is also on MGMI's board of directors, so it was a special honor to participate in the historic activities of that week.

Family corner. Anna began her third grad course at MBU. Abby is in her second semester of grad school at BJU. Daniel has begun his fourth semester at BJU and works on and off campus to take care of his school account. Rose is finishing her last semester of homeschool and is seeking the Lord's will regarding where to study next semester. Opal is taking a course at BJU on Motion Graphic Design!

Thank you for your prayers!

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