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News from Gail Ereddia

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Dear Friends and Prayer Partners,

The month of March has been a wonderful time of blessing and encouragement for our MGMI Team. Our annual Missionary Retreat was held in Phoenix this year from March 16-20 at the Evangelical Baptist Church where our offices are located. There were lots to do ahead of time, so Ivan and Lizzy Villalobos came up from Hermosillo the Friday before to help me get things done, which was a tremendous help to me, as I reluctantly concede the fact that I can't do as much physically as I used to be able to do. I tried to space things out the weeks before and do a little at a time, but some things had to be done closer to the event. Most of the food was purchased or ordered ahead of time, but fresh foods had to wait until that Monday, so Lizzy and I made a big trip to Costco to finish off our purchases. We made Ivan carry all the heavy stuff, of course!

It was a busy time of picking people up from the airport, getting last-minute supplies, and getting the Fellowship Hall ready for dinner at 6 p.m. when our missionaries were scheduled to arrive. I also invited my pastor and his wife, Scott and Dina Naill, to come to meet our team and to get to know a little bit more about the Mission. It was a joy to have them there. They are a blessing to me and to so many at First Baptist Bible Church in Glendale—an extremely missions minded church!

We had a full schedule Tuesday and Wednesday with several speakers, including our director Dr. Dan Wokaty, former director Dr. David Shumate, Pastor Joe Rubio, his wife Melissa who spoke to the ladies, MGMI Board Member Dr. David Cortés, as well as MK Ben Cochran who came all the way from Puerto Rico to speak to us on finances. (*Aunt Gail* had the pleasure and privilege of hosting him and his parents for the week—brought back many memories!) The church reopened their Christian school this year, so some of the men preached in chapel, and we ate lunch with the students. Wednesday, we celebrated Esperanza Navarro's birthday at lunchtime with cake and flowers. Please pray for her health. On Thursday we headed to a local park for a cookout and a time of fun and fellowship and testimonies and a message. Unfortunately, we've had crazy weather in Phoenix this year, and it was 105 that day—way too early for double-digit weather!

And how thankful we were for the help of faithful Monica Gallardo who once again came to serve in the kitchen, at the park, and anywhere she was needed! Her servant's heart and love for the Lord is such a blessing to us and to all who know her.

We were missing the Alfaros this year; thanks for continuing to pray for their health. Gregorio Murillo, who pastors a Spanish church in New York, was unable to come while we awaited his R1 approval from immigration—which came last week, praise the Lord! And he won't have to return to Mexico for a year, which happens sometimes. We are so thankful.

My old back injury flared up that week and is continuing to "talk" to me! I'd appreciate your prayers. My heart is full as I look back on the blessings of the week and the joy it was to fellowship with our wonderful team! If you would like to see some pictures, go to our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/mgmi.org>.

Blessings,
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