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Cuernavaca News

Our fall ministry season is in full swing. The first team meeting was August 31 and our team leader, Christa Foote, read Deuteronomy 8 & 9. Christa challenged us to remember the Lord our God, not forget the great things He has done in our lives and write 10 things where we visibly saw God intervene on our behalf, either in the past or recently.

Here's what came to mind.

1. In November 2009, the Lord brought a new gal to my group. I remember it was right after our week of prayer and she was a ready harvest. I shared the gospel with her using my favorite gospel tract and she prayed right then and there to receive the Lord as her Lord and Savior. She had been living with a man for 17 years and they had three daughters. She decided she didn't want anything more to do with him since he had a new partner; but, she wanted her three girls and he refused to give them to her. She did not want to spend the money for an attorney, but decided to pray and request prayer from our group and other people. Every Saturday we met for two years praying she would have custody of the girls. On September 6, 2011 at our first Bible study for the season, she joyfully

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announced she now has her three daughters. Amazing how the Lord changed the heart of her ex-partner and without a fight, he gave her the girls. Praise the Lord!!!! What a joy to be part of this woman's life and rejoicing how God intervened on her behalf!!!!

2. In May 2011, one gal in my Bible study needed eyeglasses. I took her to my optometrist and he said that not only did she need new glasses, but she needed surgery for a growth in her right eye. Wow!!! What shocking news!!! Last April this gal's dad had surgery and died. Now, just the thought of surgery for her is unthinkable. I encouraged her to see an eye doctor and asked many people if we have an eye doctor/surgeon in our congregation, which I found out we did not. We prayed. I was gone most of the summer and when I came back, this gal still had not seen an eye doctor. She was not motivated to have any surgery on her eye and somehow does not trust the public hospital here in Cuernavaca, so had been delaying seeing a doctor. I decided to take action and told her if we do not see an eve surgeon, her condition will get worse. A gal in my group took her to a hospital in Mexico City called Hospital de la Ceguera (Blindness Hospital). The doctor said for sure she needed surgery and it would cost \$7.000 USD. I took her to another hospital called Hospital de la Luz (Hospital of Light) which is also in Mexico City and a more reputable eye hospital. I was expecting to schedule her surgery and help her raise \$7,000 USD. I requested prayer from everyone I knew for the Lord to provide a surgeon, the money and an open date for her to have surgery. I thought we would not leave this hospital without a surgery date, as she had already waited three

months without taking action. To our great surprise, the doctor said that since her eye condition is not changing, she does not need surgery now and this eye condition does not cause blindness. Praise the Lord!!! What a relief to all of us that she didn't need surgery now!! She was told to come regularly for check ups to monitor the growth and decide each time what needed to be done. She was given eye drops and advised to avoid the sun, dust and direct air to her eyes. What an awesome answer to prayer!!!!

3. On September 15 during my missionary circle meeting. I shared with the other missionaries my desire to start a new Bible study at a place four blocks from my apartment. This area is called San Salvador (St. Savior) and is a very busy commercial area, with a health center, tortilla store, school, Catholic Church and many minigrocery stores. I started doing a prayer walk in this area with a gal in my Bible study. I shared my desire with my pastors and Saturday ladies' group. I even thought of perhaps starting a Christian bookstore as a way to be in San Salvador with the people during the busy hours. We prayed. Today, September 22, again during my missionary circle meeting, one missionary told me she has two ladies from San Salvador who want to have a Bible study. I told the missionary we have a church policy that if one church is already in an area, we don't want to become involved. She explained the men are drug addicts and not interested in spiritual issues, so their church is pulling out, but two ladies want to continue to study the Bible. She does not have a leader for these women, as they have another outreach in another area. She asked if I would like to meet these women. My answer was, "I have been praying for open

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	doors in San Salvador!!! It looks like this is God's open door for me. Of course!!!! I would like to meet women who want to study Scriptures." Praise God!!!
	What an awesome God we serve! I have so many more answers to prayer and give credit to this faithful God we serve, but time and space won't let me mention them. If you have time, check out my blog at <u>http://angievelasco.blogspot.com/</u> to read more how God in His grace is giving me much favor here in Mexico.
	Thank you for your faithful love, prayers and support. How exciting to be on God's winning team!
	Sincerely,
	Angie Velasco

