

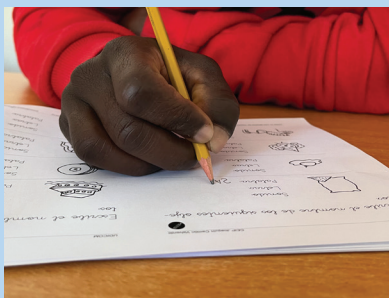
Life and Laughter

Thank you for your prayers as I got back into some normal rhythms this week. It was a blessing to support the Spanish classes at Tharsis and to spend time visiting with my Saharawi friends. On Wednesday, I was invited to have lunch at the home of a Moroccan family who attends our church. They are a precious family and it was a blessing to hear more of their stories. Not to mention, the food was absolutely delicious! Please pray for the Lord to bless this dear family!

Saturday was a full day of hosting! In the morning, we hosted the Perspectives team and students at the church for an in person lesson. We looked at how the Lord has been active throughout history working toward fulfilling His global purposes.

In the evening, I hosted a gathering in my apartment of ladies from church and Saharawi friends. The Lord answered our prayers and richly blessed this time! We sat together in a large circle and ate yummy food as we answered ice breaker type questions, like "What is something about you that might surprise other people? When was the last time you tried something new? What superpower would you like to have and what would you do? Who has been a teacher in your life?" etc. As we considered the various questions, we laughed, we reflected and we shared deeply. One lady from church shared her testimony about how her father abandoned the family when she was a child and left her mom to support 4 kids by herself. She felt that her life was unsettled and unstructured and she coped by being very timid and introverted. She shared how her life changed when she met Jesus at the age of 22 and how He has become the greatest teacher in her life.

Praise God for the opportunity she had to share her personal experience with Jesus. I was surprised to hear one of my Saharawi friends say that she has read some of the Bible before. As this friend and I continue to build our relation-



Tharsis Spanish class



Lunch with the Moroccan family

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Ladies event in my apartment

ship, I look forward to asking her more about this and pray that we could read the Bible together. Everyone who attended said they LOVED the time together and that we definitely need to do it again! Praise the Lord!!

PRAISE AND PRAYER ITEMS:

- * Praise God for how He is working in our hearts as we walk through the Perspectives class. Please continue to pray for the students to have the time and the energy needed to complete the coursework.
- * Praise God for His presence and blessing over Saturday's Ladies event. Praise God for the several ladies from church that supported me in hosting in various ways. Please pray for continued deepening of relationships and opportunities for spiritual conversations.
- * Praise God for working in the health of my family members. He is so gracious and merciful!
- * Pray for my English classes at Tharsis that will restart this coming Tuesday with many new students.
- * I will host an AIM worker from Morocco for a couple days this week. Please pray that time is an encouragement to both of our hearts.
- * Please pray for my Saharawi friends and others around the world who will begin Ramadan this week. Pray that the Lord will soften hearts and will bring many into His marvelous light! A couple resources you might want to consider using to support your prayer times are PrayerCast and Pray4Movements