



1. My visit with Selmu
2. Working with one of the students at Tharsis
3. Teaching Sunday School
4. A sweet Sunday afternoon with David and Elsa.

Sunshine after the Rain

While most of my family and friends were enjoying peaceful snowfall last week, those of us in Jerez experienced strong winds and rain. There was more than one occasion when I was walking through the wind and the rain, that I thought, "I wish it was colder and this precipitation was snow instead!" However, going through several cloudy, windy and rainy days, helped me to feel a renewed joy and gratitude when I woke up Saturday morning to a clear blue sky and bright sunshine. I got to thinking about how this same thing is true in life. Going through the stormy seasons helps us to remember and appreciate the Lord's faithfulness and the eternal hope that we have in Jesus.

PRAISE AND PRAYER ITEMS:

- * Praise that I was able to connect with Selmu last week after her travels! We enjoyed catching up and I shared the gospel with her using candy canes. As I was explaining the symbolism behind the colors, I couldn't help but notice her eyes light up when I said, "The white symbolizes..." and she exclaimed, "Peace!" Please continue to pray that she will experience this Peace soon!
- * Please pray for one of the Spanish teachers at Tharsis whose father passed away last week. Pray for comfort, peace and that she and her family would come to know Jesus during this hard time. She has taken time off and I have been helping out extra since her students continue to come for classes. I have the privilege of working with two of her students who are from Senegal, and they are making great progress with their letter sounds!
- * Pray for wisdom for the Tharsis accountant and leadership. While making a routine money transfer, Tharsis was the victim of a hacker who stole a considerable amount of money. They are looking to make some changes to improve security moving forward, and trusting the Lord's provision of needed finances.
- * Please pray for David, Elsa and their family. Pray for the Lord's hand over family situations, their ministry, and their relationships. They are dear and faithful servants of the Lord and it is a blessing to serve with them!
- * Praise for physical healing for loved ones! God is so faithful!



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