

# Costa Rican Reflections



May was another busy and blessed month for us. The fun began on May 9, with the arrival of some dear friends that we hadn't seen in over two years. Kris Driscoll, with whom we'd served in Honduras, and our Honduran "family," Misael, Ivonne, and Ryan Carrasco, stayed with us for four wonderful days. It was incredible to see 4 year old Ryan and 3 year old Jordan playing together again, and it was a joy to introduce our friends to our work and lives in Costa Rica. We are grateful to God for the time we had to reconnect with them!



**Did you know:**

Costa Rica now has a female president?



The day after our guests left, Jordan participated in her second "Acto Cívico" (cultural program) of the school year. She was thrilled to wear this "typical" dress and spent more time twirling around in it than reciting the poem she'd learned!

The following week, we welcomed team members from Europe and the U.S. for our annual training event, called "Encuentro" or "Encounter." Henry and Elizabeth, one of our Costa Rican staff members, were asked to fill a five hour time slot with training on Moodle, the learning management system used for our virtual classrooms. The training went well and was appreciated by the professors who use this system to communicate with their students. Henry was grateful for your prayers, too, as he prepared and led the teaching.

Encuentro 2010 was held in our new conference room, which was recently completed by a work team from Greeley, Colorado. We are thankful for the time and effort put into the renovations that transformed a roofless back patio into a fully functioning room that will be used for large group meetings, conferences, taping of virtual seminars, and other such events. They even remodeled the kitchen area for us! Henry was instrumental in the planning of the technological design of the new facility, and he's been working closely with representatives from a church in Rochester, Minnesota, that is helping us with the funding for this important project.

Immediately following the Encuentro, Henry attended a spiritual retreat with the ProMETA (LATN) team. Together, they explored their spiritual roots, considering how God has used every event in their lives, both good and bad, to mold each of them into the servants they are today. Marcette stayed home with the girls that

week, but she was able to go on a retreat with her Bible study group the following week. For her, it was a time of fellowship, rest and reflection that was greatly needed! We are thankful for opportunities like this to get away and focus on what's truly important—our walk with the Lord!



Encuentro in New Conference Room

We want to thank you for your prayers for Meghan, too. She arrived in South Africa safe and sound though very tired after nearly 40 hours of travel. She has adapted well, and she's enjoying her time with her host family in Pretoria. She's working on her Afrikaans, and she's been out hiking and exploring a bit in the area. Meghan will be meeting the missions pastor with whom she'll be interning on June 8. Please join us in praying that his vision for her service there will be similar to hers and that both will conform to the will of God.

As always, we are extremely grateful for your faithful prayer and financial support. We are blessed to partner with you in Latin America!

*In His Grace,  
Henry, Marcette, Meghan, Lindsay & Jordan*

**Prayer & Praise**

- Praise God for Meghan's safe arrival in South Africa.
- Pray for Meghan's continued safety, health & ministry.
- Pray for our health as rainy season is in full swing.

- Pray for our ministry to Latin American leaders.



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