



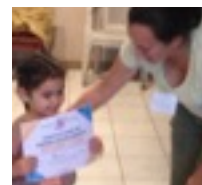
JOHAN'S
PEARL



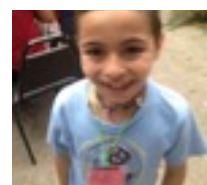
ISA'S
BRACELET



ELIAS & NICHOLE
SMILERS!



RUMINA
GRADUATES!

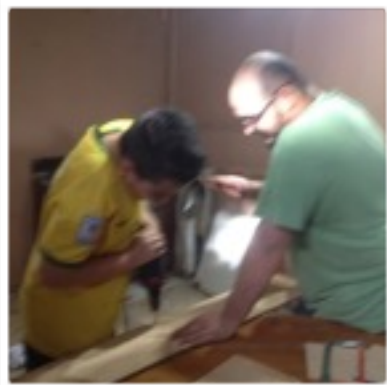


KEVIN'S
CREATION

COMUNIDAD CRISTIANA MARANATHA THE LEISNER FAMILY

Family

We enjoyed a visit from Tricia's cousin for CHRISTmas, December brought blooming roses, different birds visiting our feeder, and traditions renewed as we celebrated in Costa Rica. We felt the your prayers as God taught us how to bless others and be able to enjoy this time as a family also.



Community

Jesua, our only January renter, has helped with VBS, a water pipe explosion, and (along with Andrew, a young man on summer vacation) helped Scott install a vinyl floor in the coffee house bathroom. Jesua is taking summer classes as well, but takes time to enjoy a pizza with Scott once in awhile.



And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he cometh home, he calleth together his friends and neighbours, saying unto them, Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost. Luke 15 : 5-6

Starting 2018 in university town with a vacation Bible school? Yes! God opened the doors for a small group to come with experience in an area that was not our expertise. Together with an awesome group of university students and church members, and Jose and Silvia (Christian teachers Scott met while they studied years ago in the UCR) who brought Jonathan their son, we saw God move in the hearts of children, students and the relatives of those children who came. We saw fruit the first Saturday following VBS. You can see more pictures at: <http://www.maranathacr.com/escuelita-de-verano.html>





Praise and Prayer Report

Praise the Lord for His faithfulness to bring the people He desires into CCM. Thank you for praying with us to see growth and desire to learn about God. We have a diverse congregation that has different needs. We have been working on leadership in 2017, and are blessed to have many students, couples and singles willing to serve. Please pray for wisdom and God's timing to ask them to serve in different areas.

Praise the Lord for no more rats, for less noise during vacation, and for projects getting done! Although many students left deposit to return in March, we have many spaces available for students or a family in an apartment. Please pray that God will fill that space even before March.

We continue to need prayer for health issues. We have changed our diet, and things seemed better, but another test showed the kids are still dealing with parasites. Thank you for standing with us in faith as we believe for healing.

Thank You for praying!

Now, Scott is taking advantage of summer vacation to begin a Friday afternoon outreach to the young people who are not part of the church in JC Cafe. We praise God that we continue to have a full living room on Saturdays and that the Tuesday Bible study continues to grow in spite of vacation time.

Tricia is going through the house sorting accumulated goods, planning a garage sale when the students return. The Costa Rican kids return to classes in February, but our kids have begun homeschool again already. The Spanish co-op has continued, and another family is showing interest in joining as they begin to homeschool.

We are believing for workers...

Thank you for praying for the CHRISTmas activities, and the VBS. Both were a success. We even had excellent participation giving away food to the people on the streets of San Pedro as well as our prayer time bringing in the New Year. God has opened doors to new contacts through community activities, and we can see the need for more workers. Please pray for God to provide workers for the harvest which is available to us!

We are continuing to believe God to provide the \$500 still lacking for our goal of \$1,500 monthly support for our family's needs. Thank you to those who have joined us in meeting this need! Please pray with us that God will supply our need whether it be with a one time gift or through monthly support.

Scott, Tricia, Alexander, Ezekiel and Melody Joy

To financially (tax-deductible) support:	Costa Rica contact:
Campus Missions Int'l (CMI)	(315) 608-7208
The Leisner Family	The Leisner Family
P.O. Box 18355	APDO 1190-2050



Patricia, Jenny, Ken, Tyler, Melody, Tricia
Doña Xinia, Alex and Zeke