



The Value of One!

Jesus valued people! He spoke to the multitudes, but he obviously placed a priority on relationships with individuals. He lived life alongside them! People responded to His message, but even more to His genuine love for them. He went where they were, spent time talking with them, and shared spiritual truths in relevant ways. He was truly “God with skin on”! In secular Spain, we continue His work “one- on- one”!

Remember Rebeca? We continue to build our friendship, and try to meet at least once a month. In April she actually met us at the church for Easter service, and noted that our church has a very “pleasant” atmosphere. She has a special prayer request: She really wants to have a second child. Please pray that God would become very real to her by answering this prayer.



We have a new assignment!

Starting in June we will be working with International Church Madrid!



My IC Mom’s group has grown to eleven moms from a slow start in the middle of a pandemic. God gets all the glory for the growth, as we cannot offer childcare and can only meet in person once a month.

We are thankful for fast Internet and Zoom, which bring some of us together once a week for prayer, for the YouVersion Bible app that allows us to share Bible studies and grow together in the Word, as well as WhatsApp, which allows us to daily communicate through texts and calls.

There may be only eleven of us, but we represent seven countries on five different continents. Imagine the impact our small group could make on the world, one by one! This fall we are praying for another mom to partner with me in starting a Spanish speaking group.

Coaching for transformation!

I, Kirk, am now in the application process for my coaching certification through the International Coaching Federation. While my coaching calls vary and depend on my client’s needs, I especially enjoy being used by God in transformational coaching, where the Holy Spirit takes over, and I’m able to pray with the person in the end. This spring I was surprised to find a class offered in coaching church planters, which God had recently put on my heart. It was so encouraging to meet others who see how God can use coaching to plant His church, and to learn from one another. While it is still a very new concept, I have been preparing material for a home-group that I plan to start this fall that will use coaching concepts to develop leaders. In fact, I’ve been able to share the material already with my classmates, and I’m praying for wisdom and seeking guidance from leadership on moving forward here in our community and at IC Madrid.

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THE WORK CONTINUES...



Your prayers are working! At long last, the kids are thriving at school. This year, due to COVID, they have been in the same class, and while we began the year with some concern, they are both reading and writing at grade level in Spanish. They are even beginning to read in English as well. Kaleb is our extrovert, who never met a stranger, while Katelyn is a born leader. Both enjoy school and playing with friends.

Much of the ministry that I, Karla, am now involved in can include the kids, which is not just a blessing, but a necessity. We all enjoy the outings and chances to build friendships with Christians and non-Christians alike. Most nights Kaleb asks to pray for his friends. He has a true heart for people. At Easter, we not only prepared gifts for our neighbors, but we also received a gift in return, a traditional Spanish dish called Torrijas, which is a distant cousin to French toast.

Kirk and I are progressing in Spanish as well. We have completed learning the foundational structure of the language, but we continue to add vocabulary and improve fluency. Starting this summer, our focus will turn to ministering at IC Madrid, where we will be developing member care, and helping in any area of need, in addition to the home-group, and mom's groups.



Enjoying torrijas for the first time.



PRAYER & PRAISE

- PRAISE - God continues to bless us through you. Thank you for continuing to give by faith in uncertain times.
- PRAISE - God is giving us relationships and friends in our community and at church.
- PRAISE - God opened a door for ministry where the whole family can be involved.
- PRAISE - All four of us are seeing great progress in our Spanish abilities.
- PRAY - Continued healing for Kirk's body. His migraines returned in the fall, but a new treatment is showing promise. We need insurance to continue to pay for these new treatments.
- PRAY - Holes in Katelyn's ear drum and heart close miraculously.
- PRAY - Continue to pray with us for language acquisition, that God would quicken our minds and tongues.
- PRAY - God's blessing and wisdom as we begin working with IC Madrid, and for our transition to the ministry team, as well as fruit from our growing relationships with both believers and non-believers.

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