

Happy New Year from the Bennett family!

Have a blessed 2020!

Dear Friends,

As always, when we get to the end of the year, we can look back at how God's faithfulness testifies itself during those 12 months.



As we passed Thanksgiving and headed into December and our year-end wrap-up of activities in Los Barrios, we wondered if the circumstances would allow us or our girls to be involved in a children's Christmas program this year.

Well, we ended up having many more opportunities for sharing the Good News of the birth of Messiah than we were ever expecting this December!

Back in Spain, were able to have a nice local turn-out at our <u>Agua Viva Christmas</u> <u>Program</u>. With our friend Marcos Lee, we were able to film a <u>Kid's Christmas</u> <u>Program</u> with the puppet theater that our Trinity mission team made for us this July.

Once our suitcases were open in San Quintin, Mexico, we were also surprised by a number of special opportunities for us to share the glad tidings. First, JD was invited to share the Christmas message at the annual El Buen Pastor Hospital Christmas banquet and to challenge the staff to consider how great God's love is for them to give up His Son to be born poor, not only poor, but to a couple who had nowhere to go. (Pictured Below at the hospital Christmas party.)



There have been opportunities for our daughters to participate in their grandparent's church, that have been very touching. On one occasion, when the kindergarteners went forward to tell their memory verse during a Sunday service, Abigail was given the microphone and led her class in reciting their memory verse. Sarah Ruth got to participate in the Children's Christmas Program and took it all very seriously, too.

In the editing room, JD, Marcos and Allan Lee were able to work on finishing many of the Christian film clips that they filmed together in Spain.

In all these occasions and more we see how God gives us simply more than what we offer Him. We marvel at His attention to details and we thank Our Father for enabling us to reach this season. Our hearts are full.





This is the all-girl cast of *An Interplanetary Christmas,* where 15 girls of the neighborhood worked carefully on their lines, participated with great attitudes and performed a beautiful little production to honor the Lord's birth at Sara's parent's home.



Click the picture above. This year we enjoyed carols sung in Spanish, German and English! Here is the YouTube video of our 2nd Christmas Program in Los Barrios. We enjoyed music coordinated by Annika & Doro, a Christmas message in Luke 2 by JD, and a closing prayer by Pastor David Bianchi.



Click the Picture to see the Agua Kids Christmas Puppet Show



In 48 hours in California, JD was able to visit our friends at Trinity Church Missionary Prayer, Fuente de Vida and Shuvah Yisrael. Although JD didn't feel well, it was wonderful to see so many friends that we hadn't seen since 2016.
Bottom left: JD with his mother's cousin Yolie and her husband Oscar. Bottom right: Happy to find Sally and Thad, veterans of Trinity's Spain Team.





Listen to JD's message about not entering the year being lukewarm (Revelation 3, in Spanish)





Entering the year 2020 we wish you the blessings of Numbers 6:23-27:

"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. "So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them."

> All our love, JD, Sara, Sarah Ruth & Abigail Mae Bennett