



November 26, 2006

Blessings to you and your family,

During this time of thanksgiving we remember you and thank God for your influence in our lives and the lives of those in Burgos. May God bless you and may each day be a day of thanksgiving to the Giver of all good gifts.

The children of the Burgos region have been learning about being thankful and showing thanks. Pictured in their church in Labores de la Paz are a group of kids after having received blankets and pillows which resembled animals. The nights have gotten cooler, and the families are grateful to the sponsors of the Child Sponsorship Program for their generosity.



Churches and individuals continue to provide financially for the ministry that is taking place in Burgos. If you'd like more information about ways to help, please contact us at info@burgosmissions.org. The presents in the second picture were donated by Covenant Christian Church of Paris, Texas. The gifts will be handed out on December 9 at the annual Fiesta Navidena. This regional outreach will host several hundred kids, pastors, parents, and visitors from the states. Final preparations are being made, and we appreciate your prayers for this event.



David and Abi are new friends of ours. We have been developing a relationship with them for a couple of months. They attend the bible college that we began in October and are becoming more and more active in their church. We often mention the various programs that we are facilitating, but they are important only because they minister to people. David and Abi are examples of the people that are being impacted by God's love and your help. The couple has an incredible story of their marriage and the Lord's help in their lives. We are blessed to be their friends.

We continue to host visits to Burgos for teams or families. The Humphreys from Allen, Texas spent a few days helping with children's programs, visiting families, and scouting possibilities for future trips with their church. Lisa and Drew are pictured at El Becerro painting with Mario, Yesica, and Selena.



While the Humphreys were in Burgos, the town held a parade and dance exhibition to commemorate the Revolution of November 20, 1910 led by Pancho Villa. We are still way behind on our Mexican history, (Texas history too, for that matter), but we enjoyed the festivities. Maria, who attends school with Trinity, is riding the Kindergarten float in the last picture. Students from all the local schools participated in various ways. Some dressed in clothing representing various regions and ways of life from the days of the revolution. Others played in the band or carried banners. The activities continued in the community center with the schools presenting dances, skits, and essays. It is a true blessing to get to know the people and culture here.

We ask you to remember Burgos in your prayers and we will keep you in ours. We are so blessed to have many projects and programs in progress. Pray for the students who are attending Bible College and the local pastors. Also remember the children in our programs and the Christmas outreach. We are working on several construction projects and are pleased with the progress. This month we have installed more windows and doors in the church, completed more of the floor and have begun plans for a dormitory and playground. Our music team is improving and has led in a couple of services and more kids are interested in learning to play instruments or to sing with the group.



We are thankful to God for the opportunity to serve Him and His people. Thank you for helping to make this opportunity possible.

God bless you, Matt, PJ, Trinity, and Micah Burton, and Julie Kirkpatrick