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Dear Mission Partners,

I have spent the last two weeks at my casita in San Lorenzo. We are having nine nights of posadas at different houses each night. The posada was at my casita on Monday. The villagers come down the road singing, led by two children dressed as Mary and Joseph. They knock on the door and sing to gain admittance, which they are denied until Christmas Eve, when they are finally recognized, invited in, and treated to a party.

The Episcopal clergy of the deanery came to San Lorenzo to celebrate Holy Eucharist this week. Over 70 people attended. Their visit also included two piñatas for the children. My casita has apparently become a tourist attraction, as all came to see it.

We have had a number of medical crises. For example, this week Don Leonardo, 95, became gravely ill, but after Rev. Victor prayed over him, he recovered quickly. Henry had to have an emergency appendectomy, but we expect a complete recovery because we prayed over him, too. Hilda, my God-daughter has been healed through prayer as well and is walking without her ankle brace. We have many reasons to feel grateful.

I wish you all the love, joy, and peace that I feel this Christmas, as we get ready to commemorate the birth of the Holy Child.

*For His Sake,
Jeannie*



Above: The first night of posadas. We sing and have Bible readings. Below: The house is whitewashed and ready for the New Year. Faustina selects beans to cook.



Out of the stump of David's family will grow a shoot And the spirit of the Lord will rest on him – the Spirit of wisdom and understanding; the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. He will delight in obeying the Lord. He will never judge by appearance, false evidence or hearsay. He will defend the poor and the exploited ...He will be clothed with fairness and truth. Isaiah 11:1-5



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IN SAN LORENZO

- EVERYONE IS CLEANING AND WHITEWASHING THEIR HOME TO GET READY FOR THE NEW YEAR.
- THE NEW PREACHING STATION WAS NAMED SANTA MARIA MAGDALENA. THE CONGREGATION HAS BEEN MEETING IN THE SCHOOL IN SAN LORENZO.
- IT LOOKS LIKE THE COFFEE HARVEST, AN IMPORTANT SOURCE OF INCOME, WILL BE BETTER THIS YEAR.



Above: Measuring the corn harvest. The box and the can are measures. The corn harvest was adequate for home consumption, but there were few beans harvested. Emmanuel hugs his new puppy.
Below left: Chayo whitewashes her parents' house for the New Year.
Below right: Nubia's daughters carry firewood home.



Prayer and Praise Requests

Praise Him for the growth of the churches in Danli deanery. Ask Him to help the new deacons and priests to help raise up the church.

Pray for a good coffee harvest and good pay for the pickers. Pray for continued rain for grass for the cattle. Pray for John and Lana Bourn, that He would help them to accomplish His purposes during their stay in San Lorenzo.

Pray for the miraculous healing of Hilda's ankle to continue.



Above: Alida washes dishes. Her house is newly whitewashed ,too.
 Left: Ever sweeps his mom's yard with a home-made broom.

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