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### **The Gospel According to You**

By Dr. Dale Crowley (as recited by Grandpa Philippi)

You are writing a gospel, a chapter each day,  
By deeds that you do, by the words that you say.  
Men read what you write, whether faithless or true.  
Say, what is the gospel according to you?  
Men read and admire the gospel of Christ,  
With its love so unflinchingly true;  
But what do they say, and what do they think,  
Of the gospel according to you?  
Tis a wonderful story, that gospel of love,  
As it shines in the Christ-life divine.  
And oh, that its truth might be told again,  
In the story of your life and mine!  
You are writing each day a letter to men;

Take care that the writing is true.

Tis the only gospel some men will read,  
That gospel according to you!

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We are praising God for you all,

*Wendell and Dianne*

## Language Study

Since we started language school in mid April in Antigua, we have continued attending school five days a week – sometimes a very tiresome process. Many times we feel as though we are making great progress and many more times we feel as though we'll never get it! We expect that acquiring the language will be an ongoing process – just like our relationship with Christ.

## We have a rental house

We told you last time we had been living in Antigua with a family sponsored by our language school. On August 13 we moved into our own rented home in the same suburb of Guatemala City where many other CAM missionaries live. After four months living in a small but nice room, we are delighted to have our own place. The Lord has blessed us with a home large enough for hospitality whether it is housing guests, serving meals or hosting Bible studies. We know it was the Lord Who blessed us. Our landlord and his family are Christians, and we thank the Lord for this house at an unbelievably great rent!

## Rio Hondo

A group of 30 friends (mostly from our home church of Northwest Bible Church) came from Dallas in late July. We joined them by putting on a weekend family camp with a local church here near Rio Hondo. What a blessing it was to be a part of that ministry and to see God's grace, love, salvation, healing and much more. Truly God is at work in Rio Hondo Guatemala.



**Friends**

## Relationships

On the day of August 13 we were both challenged and encouraged by people here from age 16 to 99 years. We were invited to an oral English exam of Wendell's first Spanish teacher here in Antigua who had been studying English for three years. Ten Guatemalan students recited long discourses in impressive English – another opportunity for us to be humbled.

Afterwards we visited the home of Paul and Ruth Philippi (CAM missionaries here for 50 years). Little did we know the treat in store for us at the Philippi home. Paul's dad lives with them and will celebrate his 100th birthday in December. This amazing man keeps his mind alert by memorizing Christian poetry. He breezed through 3 or 4 poems on age, prayer and scripture. These were not poems he learned 50 years ago but recently – another opportunity for us to be humbled! We were both challenged that, regardless of our age, we can still learn and keep our minds alert!

We finished the day by moving out of the home in Antigua where we had been living for four months. We have developed a close relationship with the host family. Although our goodbyes had some tears, we left knowing the Lord has more ahead for our relationship with this family.



**Host Family**

## Thank You

We have recognized how well the Lord has been taking care of us. Thank for your prayers.

## PRAISE

- God's care for every detail of our lives, safety, and total provisions.
- Healthy birth of our 2nd grandson on 6/24.
- Our rental house

## PRAYER

- Opportunities to deepen our new relationships here.
- Our Spanish study and acquisition.
- Our full-time ministry roles.

