

SHOLLA!

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Home assignment

We arrived in Sydney one month ago to begin three months of home assignment. We have changed from a six month visit every 3 years to 3 months every 2 years, as that allows the girls to continue in senior high school in Mexico uninterrupted. We expect to continue this pattern for the next few years.

In the week before we left, Karina graduated from high school (with an honorific mention!), and she eagerly awaits her IB results (which will be released next weekend.)

We arrived to a CMS house in Dundas that had been beautifully prepared by people from one of our link churches. We thank God for people like these (and other welcomers) who so thoughtfully made our arrival smooth.

CMS takes looking after us very seriously (for which we are thankful) so we've had various appointments, meetings and checkups.

We've had significant family time with Sarah's Dad and brothers and had a visit from Pete's parents.

We spent a week at St George North Anglican Church, and had an encouraging time speaking with people from several congregations. Pete also spoke at the annual men's gathering and Sarah was able to share at several women's groups. A highlight was the Friday night youth group, where it was clear that the youth had a heart for mission and were very well informed about what we, and their other link missionaries, were doing.

We've had a one night visit to share at St Matthias and Sarah presented to women at Toongabbie. We'll see more of these churches (and Ashbury) in 2 years.

All three girls have been able to find jobs and are working almost full time. Two are asking if you'd like fries with that, and the other is working at a cafe and in before and after school care. They've all enjoyed the responsibility of working, and the freedom and opportunity it brings.

Last week Pete attended GAFCON in Jerusalem. It was a great time of meeting people interested in using MOCLAM, as well as learning from people ministering in very different contexts.

June 30th (this Saturday) is the last day of the annual CMS Lasting Hope appeal. If you haven't yet contributed to this appeal, which helps fund our costs in Mexico, please do it today! www.lastinghope.cms.org.au



Please pray

- Give thanks for a smooth departure from Monterrey and a comfortable arrival in Sydney.
- Give thanks for the CMS NSW/ACT office staff who have helped us prepare our home assignment materials and cared for us on our arrival.
- Give thanks for a great week at St George North Anglican Church, especially for the well informed and enthusiastic youth.
- Give thanks for the opportunity Pete had to participate in GAFCON.
- Pray for good conversations at the churches we are visiting over the next two months. Pray that more people will be enthused to be prayers and givers.
- Pray for us as we attend the UNSW Mid-Year conference. Pray for good opportunities to share with students about what God is doing in the world.
- Pray that we can enjoy some holiday time together as a family before we begin returning to Mexico.

Dates

30/6 - 2/6	Jannali Anglican
9/7 - 29/7	Holiday, MMM and MYC
2/8	Lucy returns to Monterrey
5/8 - 10/8	Barrenjoey churches
9/8	St Matthew's Ashbury prayer night
12/8- 17/8	St Andrew's Cathedral
16/8	Sarah and Miriam return to Monterrey
19/8 - 24/8	Toongabbie Anglican Church
30/8	Pete returns to Monterrey Karina moves to Kensington

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