



Dear Friends and Family.

July 20, 2023

In the Templo Bautista of Las Lomas we are blessed with the faithful attendance of only three of the founding members from 49 years ago and various who came in 1975, the very next year. Yesterday, one of those went home to be with the Lord. Her funeral was a big family reunion, literally and spiritually. Noemi had dedicated her life to serve the Lord as a nurse. She retired from her career recently to be caregiver to her mother, but the Lord had other plans.

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I jumped out of the frying pan of busy-ness into the fire! Life is made up of minutes and the events that occur in passing days. We got through exam week and the week of July 24th, which marked the beginning of second semester in the Bible institute. We lost a few students due to financial stress, but no absolute failures that were not expected due to circumstances God used to show them His will in their lives although their desire was to one day graduate with honors. He makes no mistakes. Among the changes was a different Director. That went smoothly. I am still heading up my six practical courses, but I had seven. In order to make room for new professors and added Bible courses, the Administration eliminated my second semester of Conversational English, still in its formation stages. Maybe next year we can continue.

Meanwhile, in trying to “downsize”, I have delved into boxes of stored materials and nick-knacks that I have not seen in years. I think it might be everybody’s dream to accomplish such a victory! I wish I hadn’t started that as the week planned for that project has come and gone, and like Jeremiah, “we are not saved”. Persistence WILL PAY OFF, so, back to work! Love,
Elaine