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Dear Friends,

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season! I have been staying busy in McAllen. I am now in charge of the Children's ministries and getting the lessons for the classes. The kids learned about the life of Christ last year, so this year I thought it would be fitting to cover the first church (Acts). We are using the Abeka Flash-a-Cards, and I have been writing the lessons, and Michelle has been translating them into Spanish. The Flash-a-Cards Bible series are my favorite visuals to use. They are beautiful, and colorful. (Not to mention Jesus is portrayed as a Jewish man with short hair!) I prefer to write the lessons, even though they come with a lesson book.

I am also in the process of getting my website up and running. I will be adding the lessons I am writing to the site when it is ready to go. I am working on the design right now, and am a little slow at it, as I'm not too familiar with internet design. I will share the address as soon as I have it running. Please pray for this venture, as I feel pretty overwhelmed at times working on it.

In February we will be starting a church choir! I will be leading the choir and teaching them the basics of music. Anyone ages 15 and up will be able to join. I'm excited to be able to use my college training in starting this choir! (I studied voice at PCC for my minor.) I am looking forward to our church praising God with music! Please pray for this area, as well. I have assisted with a choir in Mexico, but this will be the first time I have led one.

Thank you all so much for your continued prayers and support! I truly appreciate it! It is why I can share the doctrines of the Bible with kids!

I will leave you with some pictures that I have used in our weekly church bulletin.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

In Christ, Melissa Houston



Children's Church Crafts



Thanksgiving Banquet



Pastor Appreciation Surprise Banquet



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