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Dear Friend and Family,

For a month our girls have been praying every day that God would provide financially for our family. We haven't prompted them to pray, but after listening to Mommy and Daddy's prayers they began praying with us for God's provision.

Yesterday we got word of a financial gift from some friends of ours. Kyle and I were so excited to see how He had provided. Last night when Kyle was tucking the girls in they began to pray and as Kayla began to ask God to provide, Kyle realized that he needed to share with the girls about how He had provided that day. When he told them about how God had answered our prayers Kayla and Elena jumped out of bed and ran downstairs to tell me!



Elena and her friend Victoria.

The girls ran into the kitchen shouting, "Mommy, Mommy, God answered our prayers!" As they jumped up and down with huge smiles on their faces, I caught Kyle's glance and am sure we were thinking the same thing, "How beautiful it is when we realize how awesome God is!"



Kayla and Elena at their school program.

We've been on a faith journey for many years, but our girls are just beginning theirs. My prayer for them is that they see authentic Christian faith lived out around them, that they sense Christ's presence in their own lives, and that they take the step of faith and surrender their lives to the Almighty.

As we stood watching them jump with joy in the kitchen, all of a sudden Kayla stopped screaming and jumping and said, "But Mommy, I can't hear Jesus speaking to me." So Kyle began to explain how God gave us His Word, when Kayla put her hand on her heart and said, "Wait, wait, He's trying to say

something now," and walked away. She told Kyle later that Jesus told her He loves her.

To me it is amazing the questions that children ask, the depth of their thinking, and the innocence of their faith. Let us not miss out on the opportunity this Christmas to share about the miraculous birth of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Thank you for your consistent prayers for our girls, for your encouraging words and generous gifts. We could not be here in Guatemala if you were not a part of our team!

Merry Christmas! May you have a very special season celebrating the birth of our Savior!



Kyle and Kayla at the end-of-theyear program at her school.

Love,

Kyle & Nell