



Karen Caldwell
Missionary in Mexico

Karen's **Font** *Sharing points & {character}* *wife, mother and missionary*

I decided to dedicate this letter to letting you know how our children have blessed us by entering into the work that God has for us in Mexico. Over the years David and I have thanked God repeatedly for the wonderful gifts that He has given us in the form of six children. They have followed us across numerous states and two countries. Please pray with us that they will follow God wherever He leads them in the future.

Nathan - Promoter

Nathan helped significantly in developing RYCCA activities, programs, and building the 5-meter prototype dome for camp cabins. His outgoing nature and love for people gave him the courage to cross language barriers and connect with people. He used his skills and language ability to run after parts, make phone calls, recruit counselors, and connect RYCCA with pastors.

Nathan graduated from high school in 2004, and the following year stayed with us in Tampico. He applied to the College of the Ozarks, near Branson, Missouri and was accepted on April 5th, 2005. He is studying math and secondary education. Nathan is participating in the college's in-school work program. He will work each summer at the college to pay for his room and board. It is hard knowing we won't be seeing him over the summers.

Nathan's personality gives him a promoter's heart. Even though he is far away he continues to help in our ministry by continuing to tell people about our camps.

Caleb - Intern

Caleb graduated from high school in May 2005 at age 16. He is with us here in Mexico as an intern and assistant for his dad. He wants to focus on developing his writing and music skills. Caleb is building up his art portfolio containing various works that include pieces in watercolor, oils, pen and ink, pencil, pastel, colored pencil, mixed media and clay sculpture. Caleb's skills are being put to use by helping his dad with RYCCA camp ministry by doing such things as writing brochures, articles for the Internet, newsletters and manuals. Caleb is currently in the application process for College of the Ozarks with the anticipation of joining his older brother, Nathan, in May 2006, to begin studying journalism.

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Nathan



Caleb

Kari - Teacher

Kari, our 15-year-old, enjoyed being a counselor at camp this summer. Since she has grown up with camping, being a counselor came natural to her. She wrote: "I have always enjoyed participating in camps but I especially enjoyed this year because I had the opportunity to be a counselor for the first time. It forced me to do things that I didn't think I could do, such as: taking care of three girls under the age of 8; talking, praying and writing with them in Spanish; and sitting with them until they ate their vegetables. I always knew that camp impacted kids because I have been around camps all my life. But this was the first time I had been a counselor, and to see it up close and to be an influence on their lives was a very gratifying experience."

Kari is acting on the felt need to share Jesus with those who don't know about God. She is teaching Sunday school and has done mime outreach with various other teens from the church. Kari recently worked with the rest of the church youth group in Carrizal, a small community about an hour drive from Tampico, in an evangelistic campaign aimed at the children of the community. The campaign started on the 3rd of September and ended on the 24th. Over 60 children attended each Sunday afternoon.

Cherith - Photographer

Cherith, 13, is outgoing and loves to sing and talk in Spanish. She uses these skills to teach Sunday school. She especially likes to help her dad with camp. Cherith is currently working on photographing and cataloging RYCCA activities.

Micah and Rosie - Dad's helpers

Micah, 10, and Rosie, 8, are great helpers at camp preparation. They do many small tasks like cleaning containers for storing camp activities, carrying tools and holding items while their dad works.

Over the years these six children have put more hours of time than you can count into helping get camps started here in Mexico. Pray with us that they will learn to love the Lord more and to continue to serve Him with a happy heart. Psalm 127:3 says, "Sons are a heritage from the Lord, children a reward from him" (NIV). Thank you, Lord, for our six blessings.

*Karen's Font
October, 2005*



Kari



Cherith



Micah



Rosie

Font n. Print. A set of type of one size and face. [Fr. *Fonte*, casting <Ofr., ult. <Lat. *Fundere*, to pour forth.]; **Font n.** An abundant source; a fount. [< Lat., *font*. fountain.]

Point n. A unit of type size equal to 0.01384 inch.

Character n. A distinguishing feature or attribute; a set of symbols, such as letters or numbers, that are arranged to express information.