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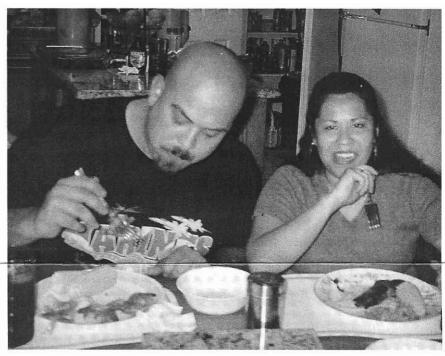
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¡Feliz Navidad y Prospero Año Nuevo! (Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year!) That's how Latino's greet one another during the Holiday seasons. Our family wants to wish you and yours blessings upon blessings this holiday season. Carol and I are empty nesters now. If it wasn't for our dog Jack to liven up our house, I think I would have to consider adoption (Just kidding). The ministry keeps us on the run and home is where the kids stop in when they need an occasional meal, a hug, or to celebrate special occasions. I have really enjoyed the times this year when Sarah has brought her Hispanic friends over to hear my missionary adventures from their prospective countries. They came several nights in a row and one girl turned to Sarah and said to her, "Sarah you need to start taking us to church."

Josh and Ruth celebrated their second anniversary November 7, 2004 and we rejoice with them. Ruth is currently living with her parents in El Paso while Josh is getting established in the trucking profession. He is loving living on the road. He feels right at home there, since he grew up the son of a missionary. The Dallas based company that is training him had 1800 training candidates and only 600 on the road trainers that would work together for 6 weeks. The instructor chooses his trainee, someone that he feels would be compatible with him. Josh knew that the odds were not good to be selected quickly and that he had to make a personal connection with someone. He heard one of the instructors say a few things and recognized the accent, so Josh walked up to him and said, "So, you're from Maryland". The man was floored and said "How did you know?" Josh replied, "Because you talk like my relatives." Just like that, he had his trainer. Josh will be able to have his wife travel



with him in a couple of months. Ruth is looking forward to meeting our family and friends on the east coast.

Amy and Sarah are roomies. They rent a house 30 minutes away from us. They are learning all about fending for themselves, though we do help them out as we are able. They both have dropped out of college as they are sorting out how to make ends meet. Amy is still working at Sonic. Sonic gives a whole new meaning to fast food. Those girls flat run with their trays of burgers, fries, and drinks. I think OSHA should require that they wear helmets and pads to reduce bodily injuries. Sarah is getting



all kinds of employment experience. She is currently working for Bally's Gym at reception and selling memberships. She's also working as an administrative assistant for a realtor.

Carol is excited about the future and misses seeing our supporters from over the years. She says she looks forward to visiting you and your church. Talk to your pastor about having us in and give us a call at 832-724-1151 or email me at LSMI@houston.rr.com.

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Lu & Carol

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