

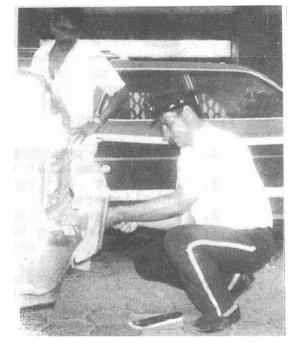
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Dear Friends,

I parked my van behind four other cars along the curb. When I returned a half hour later, all the other cars were I saw a policeman standing there gone. with a big screwdriver in his back pocket and my license plates in his He said to me in English, "You hand. cannot park along this curb." After much discussion, I asked him if I could pay him the fine and get my plates back. I paid him 4,000 pesos (about \$1.80) and he graciously gave them back. Ι introduced myself as his friend and gave him 3 tracts, 2 in English and 1 in Spanish. I prayed that the Lord would give me further contact with him (but on different terms).

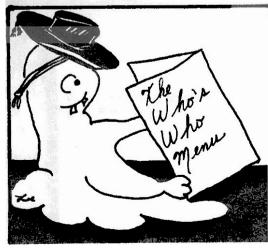
Since then I have gotten many opportunities to witness and win his friendship. In fact, he has even brought me and a friend refreshments and pastries for an evening meal (sweet bread is a traditional evening meal). I figure that we have gotten more than 4,000 pesos back.

His name is Adrian. He told me that the reason he speaks English is that he lived in Los Angeles, California for 3 years during which time he smuggled aliens, "wet backs", across the border. He spent 2 months in a U.S. jail for this. He said he would like to go to church with me but it will be difficult. He spends 3 hours a day on the bus, riding to work. He works 12 hours a day and only gets 1 day off every 2 weeks. Pray that this friend I have won will open his heart to a much greater friend, the Lord Jesus.



Adrian hard at work

## SHORT STUFF



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## CREEPY CRAWLERS

Living in a tropical environment can be creepy at times or even deadly. My children were gleefully participating in the festivities of a Mexican birthday party, a sumptuous celebration of music, food, beverages, cake and piñatas. Our neighbor rented a thatched roof pavillion surrounded by lush banana trees and a beautiful 2 foot high planter. One of the children playing in the planter found and killed a 4" long alacran. Normally if stung by this scorpion-looking creature, the child would die within a few hours. The venom of the alacran and scorpion both attack the respiratory system. The throat fills up with a thick pasty mucus, and then contracts, suffocating the victim.

I was helping a young man move all his earthly possessions (a bed, mirror, clothing and a broom) from his concrete hut to another location. Next to his pillow was a huge spider, about the size of a tea-cup. I thought, "for a fake spider, it really looks real." Its eyes glowed in the dark. I thought about picking it up, but when I threw my keys on the bed, it crawled away. Creepy HuH?

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- 1. A spirit of cooperation and favor among the churches and communities that we are evangelizing
- 2. spirit of conviction and repentance will fall upon Α unbelievers
- Protection and health over every member of the family 3.
- 4. The Lord will give us people to train
- Pray for Carol and the children as they are homeschooling. 5.

We count it a privilege to be colaboring with you in the harvest fields of Mexico. Your prayers and offerings are esteemed in the Lord.

Love,

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Sara, swinging at the Piñata

