



Papa, Mama and the absolutely stunning Belem.

It was a multi-racial, multi-cultural, and multi-national event. What a joy to be there. I'm talking about the wedding of Sergio and Belem in Dallas, Texas. The wedding party and guests included people from El Salvador, Columbia, Mexico, Oklahoma, Minnesota, Michigan, and Massachusetts.

There were so many of our adopted children (now adults) and adopting parents, from Lily of the Valley Orphanage, that I said to myself "this isn't a wedding, this is a Lily of the Valley reunion". Rosa and I were so thrilled to see so many of our former children from Lily now leading successful lives in both work and in school. We give God all the praise!

One of our first surprises occurred when Sergio and Belem picked us up at the hotel and said "close your eyes, Dad".

When I opened my eyes, I saw Karen Keck whom I hadn't seen in 9 years, since her adoption! What a wedding gift for us!

We had the privilege of walking Belem down the aisle (Mama Rosa on one side and me on the other) and giving her in marriage to Sergio. I was so thankful to God and also to all of the people who had an important part in Belem's life. The Lily staff, the Lopez family from Dallas, Arnett family from Massachusetts, and the Gallegos family from Chihuahua, Mexico. So many people had a part in the life of this young lady. The Lord Jesus truly has changed her life and has given her the best husband in the world.

I get tickled pink by the ease with which Sergio now calls me DAD. Thank you Lord.

After the wedding Rosa and I felt led by the Lord to go visit The Word is Life Deliverance Church in Snyder, Texas. It was a Sunday surprise

visit with only two days notice, but they received us very warmly. About an hour outside of Snyder, our old dodge van died. We cried out to the Lord for help and he sent several miracles. The church's mechanic, Bubba, sent a tow truck (the hour ride in the tow truck was a great opportunity to share Jesus with Eloi, the driver, he was a captive audience held captive by Rosa). The following day much to our surprise the church took up an offering for Lily and that afternoon the Pastor took me outside the church and showed me a beautiful dodge van and said "Papa, this van now belongs to Lily of



the Valley Orphanage". I jumped, I yelled, I screamed, I lifted up my hands and thanked the Lord. I hugged Pastor Tony about ten times! What a miracle-working God we serve.

We head back to the border to return to our family in Chihuahua in our new van. But we had a major problem on our hands. To bring the van across we needed American Insurance under Lily of the Valley of the Orphanage, which we didn't have. We also needed a permit to get across which we didn't have the money for. It was already nine o'clock at night and we were still four hours away from home.

Mama Rosa pleaded with the Mexican authorities to let us cross the border. We did not have the money for a hotel, the permit or the insurance needed. So we did what we know best...PRAY. Everyone in the van was praying that He would once again perform a miracle. Guess what? GOD DID!

Rosa talked the border guard into letting us through without the permit! This is impossible! She warned Rosa that if the soldiers that surrounded the border saw the vehicle without permit, they would do two things: take the van away from us or deport us back to the United States. So Rosa very gently said "May the Lord Bless you for making this decision but we will take the risk" The woman stared at Rosa as if she were a crazy person and let us pass on our way. Down the road we met with the Mexican Soldiers that patrol and check cars for drugs and for illegal vehicles. He opened the door to our van and we said "we're going to Lily of the Valley Orphanage" and he said "ok, go".

Praise be to the Lord, the morning after, the van became legally ours! When I arrived to the motor vehicle department in Aldama, there happened to be a very important official who was at this office the same time I arrived. He helped me make the vehicle licensed. Isn't God good!

We want to say that at no time do we condone illegal activity, but we wanted to be transparent to what happened and how doors were opened through our prayers.

We see in the book of Acts in chapter 12 when Peter was arrested and put in jail where the church was praying for him. "We were REALLY praying". And when Peter was released the people were astonished to see Peter at the door in response to their prayer. So these unbelieving intercessors were given a lesson on how God truly does answer prayer!

If you want us to pray for you please let us know by sending your prayer requests to Ed and Rosa Salo on Facebook. Let us know your specific prayer need and how the Lord responds. We are serving an almighty God and we want to know Him on a deeper level. What happened these past days is just a glimpse of His wonders.

We are so grateful for your continued support to meet the needs of our children and to meet the need of equipping our home in Guachochi. We still have a long way to go and with the Lord's provision and your help, we know we will make it!

God Bless,  
Ed & Rosa Salo



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