

## Que Wow!

We have already been attending language school for 6 weeks! As a fellow student would say, “Que wow!” Each week has been filled with new experiences and much learning.

One question we get asked often is “*Why are you here in Guanajuato studying Spanish?*” This doesn’t seem like a difficult question to answer, and it’s not — when you can answer in English! Erin has learned how to explain the hope of Mexican Medical Ministries and our potential roles very simply. Mainly because she only knows certain words! With time, we both look forward to explaining and representing the work God has for us with clarity and simplicity.

What has been encouraging and a blessing to us are the responses after answering the question. The people around us, believers and nonbelievers alike, have been very positive and supportive.

Everyday we have four 1-hour classes, each one with a different instructor. Two hours of grammar, one hour of conversation, and another one of practical grammar. On Wednesdays the school also offers a cooking class and we get to eat what we made. Much of our time, however, is spent either in classes or studying and working on homework. The time thinking, speaking, and hearing the Spanish language continues to be incredibly valuable. We are both eager to connect and converse at more than a surface level. As we’ve been encouraged, time and again, “poco a poco”. Erin gets excited as each week she begins to understand more and more of what is being said at church, in Bible studies we attend, and as we spend time with friends. Indeed, it truly is “little by little.”



This month we are also looking forward to a very special day - **Erin’s 40th birthday!** The teachers at school surprised her with a cake. To celebrate, this weekend we are going to San Miguel de Allende, a nearby town, for its Chocolate and Coffee Festival.

Please continue to pray for us as we study the language and seek ways to apply what we are learning. Thank you!!

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