

When we pulled into Church yesterday for our ward correlation mtg, I noticed Gladys sawing logs in the foyer. I think she was having a nightmare about wearing two different socks to church. We were going to tell her the bad news but the more we looked, the better we liked them! A few of us showed up to clean the church Saturday night. We felt fortunate and blessed to have heeded the call to clean. Each of us found a hundred dollar bill as we washed windows, cleaned bathrooms and vacuumed. I guess you could say we were rewarded for our efforts! I'm never going to miss a church cleaning again! And then again, this might have something to do with that \$600 I lost at church last week.



I found out two things while we were doing the cleaning. The bathroom for the nursery kids is very small. The toilet looks like it has been shrunk.



The other thing I learned is what a bad sport our Bishop is if you pick his pocket and swipe his hundred. If he doesn't get over it in the next few days, I'll have Sister Casper give him the greenback she found.



We went to the temple Saturday with some converts and missionaries. We stopped at a Mexican eatery afterwards. The lady behind the elders dropped her purse and before I could react, Elder Newby dove under her table to assist.

If I was 50 years younger, I could have beat him to the assist.

We had a nice Christmas dinner at President and Sister Hendrickson in Riverside the other night. There are a lot of great people serving in our mission. I'm pretty sure they are having a better time serving the Lord than they would be if they were home feeding the dog and watching the clock tick. To prove my point, check out the happy countenance of the sister looking up! What I would give to be able to look at a happy face like that all day!



After the party was over, we loaded up our van with Christmas packages for the young missionaries and headed home. We also loaded up the Lundeens—I guess you could say that as the housing gurus, they too are a treat for the missionaries! (Unless you pencil in housing inspections.) I

think Elder Allman is getting the package on the left. His mom must have too much time on her hands and too many colored pens in her desk drawer. Elder Allman is an excellent pianist as he has played with the Piano Guys before his mission.

This picture was taken at the old folk's home. I estimate between these couples, there has been around 40 years of combined missionary service given. This is a lot like the children of Israel spending 40 years in the wilderness.

I'm guessing we look less worn out than the Israelites did! We also probably are a little more in tune with current fashions. However, I saw no golden calf in the house although I didn't get around to looking in the garage.



One of our ward members Elena Carbullido was in a high school play. She was one of the principal actors and did a great job! It reminded me of an English class I had when I was about a sophomore. The teacher couldn't get anyone to do the main part and got so desperate he said whoever did it would get an A for the semester.

I jumped on it and took an A home to my parents that year. I think it was the only A the high school issued me during my four year tenure!

Bottom left is our English Connect class we're teaching. One of our students is a sweet girl named Purnima. Her brother lives with her and is a member of the Church. We attended her baptism last night just before we headed out to Escondido to hear Elder Stevenson.

The two dudes at the bottom right consider themselves connoisseurs of fine steak. Elder Juncker is heading home this week so we hauled them down to Steer and Stein.

If it had been any other Elders, I don't think I would have had to worry about the connoisseur angle and they would have settled for Zippo's Gypo-Burger.

It's been a busy week!



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