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Dear Friends,

July has been a month of visitors, as well as visiting. We visited the Embassy here in order to renew Austin's passport. Has it been five years since we took him to the Embassy for the last one?! Yes, and he was glad to get his photo updated! Visitors included Scott & Christina Carnegie from Greeley, CO. They were able to visit the work here, get some dental work done, and see Costa Rica all in the same trip! We also enjoyed hosting our family, as Chrissy's sister **Amy**, **our brother-in-law Jeremy**, and **1-year old Christian came to visit!** This was our first opportunity to be with our new nephew Christian, and you can imagine how the poor little guy suffered from a lack of attention, especially from cousin Chloe! An unexpected visit came from a fellow worker, **Art Pol**. Art is a graduate of Johnson Bible Seminary, and is currently **doing a survey trip through parts of South and Central America**. He contacted us with a desire to understand Costa Rica better, with an eye to possibly establishing an outreach through teaching English as a second language. Art continues his trek, and you can follow his updates at www.news-from-art.blogspot.com, as well as pray for him.

The Church in Tres Rios continues with a study break for members in the summer, which is good since the schools are out for 2-3 weeks in July. The **Discipleship program** is due to kick off again in August, and it continues to be a major part of *the nurturing, training, and equipping of spiritual leaders* for the future! We continue to be so appreciative of your prayers and support at this time!

Interns & Church Plant

Some of you will have heard the news by now, but we want to share again in this letter the passing of former IEI student **Henry Matías Franco**, of the Dominican Republic. Henry suffered from a form of cancer, and was recently diagnosed again with tumors in his stomach. What many may not know is that this wasn't Henry's first bout with cancer. When Edwin and Victor went to the D.R. in the Fall of 2006, Henry was already battling cancer and didn't look too good. As Edwin remembers it, Henry had plenty of heart and enthusiasm, but he was very weak. They told Henry that he



Henry Matías Franco and Luis Palacios (r, Panamá) at IEI Graduation in February, 2008.

would be accepted for the Institute on the same conditions as the other candidates, but that he would also need a clean bill of health from his doctor. Henry and many others prayed, and Henry arrived with the

rest in May, in good health. His days spent in Costa Rica were some of his best health-wise. He participated in everything the other students did, to the point that only a few people knew of his past condition. Henry's cancer came back after his return to the D.R., but those close to him tell of **his courage, joy, and words of encouragement to others** before his death. We continue to remember Henry, and pray for his family and friends.

Si en Cristo,

*Edwin & Jessenia Guerra
 Roger & Elaine Twitchell
 Darrin & Chrissy King*

**Points for Prayer:**

Pray for the Twitchells as they prepare for their return to Costa Rica!

Give thanks for the life and witness of Henry Matias Franco, June 1981– July 2010

Please remember Henry's family and friends.

Give thanks for the peace and freedom enjoyed both in the USA and in Costa Rica.