

Marzo 11

Last night I spend time learning new words with Lorni and Neomy which was fun. Today, I helped deliver two babies! I hurried to get over to the clinic early when I learned there were two women in labor. One was 6 cm dilated, a fourth time mother; while the other 1st time mother was 8 cm dilated. I was not sure which one to help first, but the younger 8 cm dilated mother appeared to be in much more pain and closer to delivery. I stayed with her throughout the morning. In the delivery room she pushed for about half an hour before the baby was born. I did not get involved much more than I had before but we both (Angie and I) guided the baby's head and then the body out. Both of the mothers birthed boys, two of the few that have been born since I have been down here. I got two more injections of Amikacina today, to make sure I get over my sickness. I also helped clean a wound later in the day. I enjoyed singing songs with Bro. Adonay, Sis. Sandra, Jesser, Naomy, and Lorni this evening. Naomy tried to teach me some on the bandero (similar to a tambourine), but all we got from it was a bunch of laughs☺





Marzo 12

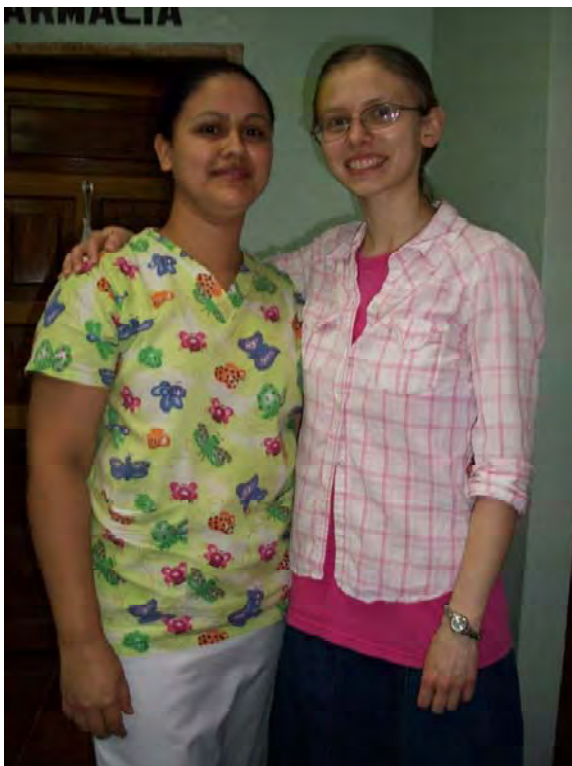
Tonight I delivered a baby mostly by myself ☺ At least Sis. Rosemary said I did it "solamente." I barely got there in time. When I found out the mother was 7 cm dilated, I hurried back to the house to tell Sis. Sandra that I wouldn't be going to church with them tonight. I started to eat my supper quickly (I figured she still had another hour or so to go), when Bro. Adonay stepped in and said that she was near delivery. At first he told me to eat was more important, but I tried to figure out exactly what he meant. Then I realized I needed to hurry. I ran to the delivery room and started to wash my hands but barely had time to get my gown and gloves on before the baby's head was coming out. I guided the head out, slid my finger under the umbilical cord which was around the baby's neck one time. Then Rosemary helped me guide the rest of the body out, but I placed the baby on the mother's stomach, then clamped one of the clamps (she had clamped the other one) and cut the cord. The baby girl was born at 6:40 pm.

While Sis. Rosemary helped the mother to her bed, I took the baby's vital signs and washed her up. The baby weighed 6 lbs. and 4 oz. She was 48 cm long, with a head circumference of 35 cm, and chest circumference of 32 cm. I did a thorough assessment which showed that she was a slight early but in healthy condition.





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**Me and Angie**