

went up. Then he imitated me in rhythm, saying, "up" and "down"!

26. HE TOOK A LITTLE EXCURSION WITH ALFRED, LYNN AND BERNARDO TO AN OPEN-AIR ZOO called Safari Park. He liked the elephant, monkeys and ostrich the best. The elephant stuck his big, hairy nose right into the car window at Lynn. The monkey climbed all over the car, then ate Dito's bananas, which he didn't like at all! He came home imitating the goofy ostrich with his funny little gestures. What a scream!

27. WE HAD SEVERAL KITCHEN MEAL PREP LESSONS TOGETHER. First he very enthusiastically learned to open the jar and spread peanut butter on crackers, then eat them for snack. We also made chocolate milk with powdered whole milk and cocoa. Next was banana milk, but after he cut the bananas on the cutting board and scraped them into the blender, he got really upset when he turned it on and the blender "ate" up all his



bananas!

28. HE WOULDN'T DO ANY OTHER CUTTING PROJECTS AFTER THAT, and besides, using even a dull, blunt knife for cutting bananas rather scared him because he's so over-cautious about using sharp utensils. Better safe than sorry--so we planned other activities out-

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side the kitchen until he was older!

29. HE'S HELPED ME SEVERAL TIMES DO HANDWASH FOR THE BABY. It's specially fun since he likes to stand on a small stepping stool at the bathroom sink, and he knows he's really helping!

30. DAVIDITO WATCHED LYNN VERY CAREFULLY CATCH A BUTTERFLY and put it into a jar for him to observe. As soon as he was allowed to get close enough, he grabbed the top off the jar and let the poor butterfly go free! Daddy said he was glad he did that, because he never liked the idea of capturing a poor little creature and keeping it away from its natural habitat. Isn't that good to know!

31. ONE MORNING WHILE THE FAMILY WAS HAVING AN FF DISCUSSION ON THE PORCH, DAVIDITO AND I GAVE "BLUEBEAR" A BATH NEARBY. He scrubbed him with baby shampoo and cleaned his ears till he was all nice and clean. It seemed to encourage him that blue-



bear was so brave during his bath.

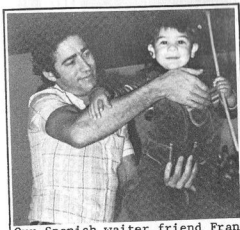
32. DITO NEVER FELT SECURE sitting in the tub, but only enjoyed a bath when sitting in my lap. He learned to hold onto me

when standing in the tub and never stands up alone, to prevent serious falls in the tub!

33. MANY TIMES DAVIDITO AND I WOULD TAKE HIS HIGH CHAIR, POTTY AND STROLLER OUT INTO THE SUNNY YARD TO SCRUB IT DOWN with cleanser and rinse it clean with the garden hose. Dave the Handyman shared a tip with me: Always use "bio-degradable" cleanser when the soap powder will be rinsed off into the grass. Only this type cleanser does not harm the grass or cause the plants to die.

34. FISH 'N' FRIENDS: APRIL, 1976 WAS THE BEGINNING OF THE FF BOOM IN TENERIFE. "The morning after the night before" Dad would often get the Family together to discuss our adventures and progress made with our fish. Bernardo was becoming part of the Family at the time and spending nights at our house. He was getting attached to Lynn and having daily Bible devotions with us.

35. I REMEMBER ONE MORNING



Our Spanish waiter friend Francisco, from the early hotel days, the day he was saved:

MARIA WAS A LITTLE UPSET AT US when she discovered we had let

Bernardo leave after breakfast to go to work without having had a good Bible devotion beforehand. Lord forgive us! We really had to pray about how to organise our schedule to make time for house chores, our writing ministry, FFing and visitors, as well as care for the children.

36. "DADDY" CARLOS STARTED VISITING US AGAIN and we were



trying our best to really hook him with the Word, since he was already saved but was quite weak in the Lord and needed special love and encouragement. Dad again offered him a job just to try during his holidays helping Dave in maintenance work around the house.

37. CARLOS WOULD COME IN THE MORNINGS TO START HIS WORK, but would first sit quite nervously through our one hour Bible devotions, while Bernardo just loved them! Afterwards, Dave would show Carlos jobs to do around the garden, pool and maintenance area.

38. DAD AGREED WHEN CARLOS SAID THAT DISHES IS WOMEN'S WORK and refused to do them! Dad shared with us that it is the Canarian custom that men only do

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