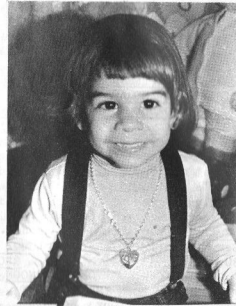


ing hotels and visiting and with-  
 coming to friends and people  
 everywhere! Soon Daddy and Mommy  
 decided that Davidito, Alfred and  
 I and two other staff could move  
 into the downtown apartment with  
 them, now that it was better pre-  
 pared for more Family members.



"Come find me, Mommy!"

33. MOMMY GAVE DAVIDITO A LITTLE "LOVE NECKLACE" to wear around his neck as a witness (and something like Daddy's heart neck-



lace), and we explained to him the importance of being a good sample and giving a big smile to the people we talked with and greeted!

34. THE FIRST NIGHT WE MOVED IN, ALFRED AND I TOOK DAVIDITO TO A SMALL CAFE FOR DINNER. While we were trying to convince him to eat and finish his meal, he was making all sorts of funny little faces out the window, really showing off. What we didn't know till later was that Mommy and Daddy were "spying" on us from outside, and Dito had noticed them before we did!

35. LIVING IN A CITY APARTMENT WAS QUITE A BIG CHANGE FOR US, but he adapted very well (and we've done it many, many times since then!). Of course, Mommy and Daddy were real happy about having Davidito so close by, still living together so that they'd be a part of his daily life and activities and see how he was progressing.

36. DADDY SAID AT THE TABLE ONE NIGHT, "Boy, you're eating like a horse!" and with a big mouthful of food, Davidito "neighed" and gave a big smile!!

37. DADDY SAID TO MARIA, "IT'S REALLY STRANGE HOW DAVIDITO JUST KNOWS YOU'RE HIS MOTHER, and sometimes I have the funny feeling when he looks at me that he knows I'm not his father! That's one thing that really gives me a wierd feeling at times.

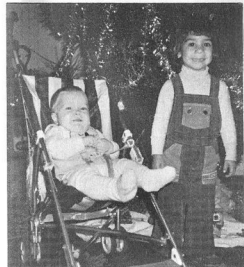
38. "HE LOOKS AT ME WITH REPROACH SOMETIMES, really. Well, I'm important and I know he knows that. He seems to sense that. He has a sort of awe of me, a real awe.

39. "WHEN I SUDDENLY MEET HIM

FACE TO FACE, IT ALMOST FRIGHTENS HIM when he's not expecting it, and he almost runs the other way! I have to grab him to get ahold of him and kiss him when it's one of those unexpected meetings. He'll hardly ever kiss me on his own! He gets happy and excited to see me, and then he sort of gets frightened at the same time and runs!

40. "I GUESS IT'S ALMOST LIKE WE ARE WITH THE LORD, in a way. We love Him, but yet have a fear of Him, and an awe too. We don't exactly want Him to get too close. We want Him to be there, but sometimes not too close."

41. CHRISTMAS, 1976: I THINK THIS WAS OUR HAPPIEST CHRISTMAS EVER! For some reason it's just real, real special, and you know why? Because it was not "special" at all! It was a normal day, full of witnessing and our regular busy activities. We have so much to be thankful for, that every day is like Christmas in this Family!



42. "I'VE BEEN A POOR MISSIONARY ALL MY LIFE," Dad says, "and

if there's one thing missionaries just can't afford, it's Christmas! If you consider buying presents for yourself and the loved ones around you, think about all the new missionaries who are on more difficult pioneer fields than your own, and who need your money and donations even more than yourself!" He said, "I just hope all our kids are having as nice a Christmas as we are!" PTL!

43. WE WENT FOR A SWIM FIRST THING IN THE MORNING, then a little playtime together, a normal lunch and nice dinner, and then had a long walk with Mommy and Daddy by the sea again. We visited a few of the decorated spots in town and saw the big fountain all lit up for the holidays, and even though he got real close to it, the most fascinating part for Davidito was the surrounding traffic.--Ha!

44. WE DID HAVE A NICE BIG CHRISTMAS TREE AT HOME and the whole Tenerife Family of Love, in four different Homes, was very busy for a couple of weeks writing and delivering Christmas cards with a witnessing message to all our dear friends on the island!

45. SO WE HAD A WONDERFUL NORMAL DAY'S ACTIVITY FOR CHRISTMAS --just the way Daddy likes it!-- No big expenses or presents, no big expensive Family dinner, just nice sweet fellowship, prayer and songs together, and lots of love! We must be the happiest people in the whole wide world! Hallelujah! Isn't the Lord good to us?

46. CANDLELIGHT SERVICE--NEW YEAR'S EVE: THE ENTIRE FAMILY GOT TOGETHER FOR THE NEW YEAR'S