

Home schedule. Don't plan to be out longer than a few hours, and watch the time so you won't miss your bus or train, or nap or mealtime for the kids!

8. Prepare one bag large enough to carry your wallet, some lit, snack bag, damp-packed cleaning towels, a small toy or book for "boring" moments, diapers and supplies and bib, if needed, hairbrush, tissues, and a camera, hat and sweater, if needed. I usually carry a large enough purse to accommodate all the "excursion needs". A stroller is certainly a help for young children, and a neatly packed bag attached to the back of the stroller keeps your things organized and in one place. Don't forget a "wordbook" and thick felt marker for teaching your baby to read!

9. Dress the children in neat, clean clothes for meeting the public, and teach them to keep decently clean and to wash hands before eating, after potty, and again when home from an outing.

10. It's important to line public toilet seats with toilet paper before the child sits to go potty--or better yet, hold him in a sitting position in your arms to potty, and keep his hands and clothes away from dirty utilities! Make a point to be in an area where they can easily and quickly potty when needed and choose clean, decent places to potty, wash or eat when in public.

11. Be a good sample and teach the children not to litter, but to clean up well after themselves for a testimony! All the behaviour rules and manners you teach the child and your own sample will pay off and really shine

when in public as a witness to others!! It's also very helpful on your return Home from outings that you make a point to put things away where they go, rather than unload a mess of things that will have to be cleaned up later. So plan ahead, and have fun! Maybe you can share some of your favourite excursions with us in the Family News! WLY! XXX!



Chepe & Bev took us on an all-day trip to the St. Cruz beach



One of my first excursions was to the Oratava Flower Fiesta--we went with our gardener & his children, here in their native costumes. (3½ mos.)



A visit to Puerto Botanical Gardens and to feed the ducks.



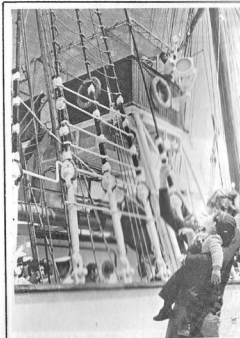
Bernardo & Lynn drove me thru the exciting Safari Park to see live animals! (15 mos.)



"Cooling off" on a long walk in the country with Dave & Sara.



Dave and I explore a well on a walk together. (15½ mos.)



A visit to the Santa Cruz port.