

trum, so he did. Well!

12. **DAD & MARIA WALKED A LITTLE AHEAD OF US UP THE STREET DISCUSSING WHAT TO DO,** & when we joined them again, Dad handed Dito a 1,000 Escudo bill! "Tomorrow, Lord willing, you can come buy the motorcycle with this money.

Here's the money, it's all for you, & tomorrow, Lord willing, you can come buy it yourself."

13. **PTL! WHAT A TREMENDOUS LESSON ON THE GUARANTEE OF FAITH!** The money was like a promise, and that finally assured Davidito of the end result. He tucked the bill away in his pocket and only mentioned the motorcycle one more time that day.

14. **THE RESULT OF THE MOTORCYCLE ADVENTURE IS THAT THE SAME STORE WAS AGAIN CLOSED** the next day when we

returned, so we came home with nothing. When reconsidering, Dad thought maybe the bike was too big for Dito after all, so he explained to him that night that it may be better to look for smaller motorcycles in another toy store, & that if he finds a smaller one that he wants, he may even have money left over to buy a big truck!

15. **SO OFF TO THE TOY STORE AGAIN ON TUESDAY,** but guess what? Dito cried a little for every bike he saw at all the stores. When we again saw the original motorcycle in the shop window, he decided he didn't even want one anymore!

16. **HE RATHER CHOSE A BIG CLUNNY METAL TRUCK,** but it was an outrageous price & very cheaply made. So, not really knowing how he would accept this whole thing, I had to explain once again, that it was a waste of the Lord's money



to choose an expensive toy that would only soon break. So we agreed to ask Daddy's counsel first.

17. **IN THE END DAVIDITO MADE A VERY WISE DECISION TO BUY A SMALL 25 ESCUDO TRACTOR,** & was very pleased with his own choice! He never mentioned the motorcycle idea again either. Thank the Lord we had always stressed "Lord Willing," because he finally accepted it all with no problem.

18. **HERE THERE WERE SOME REAL GOOD LESSONS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF TEACHING THE CHILD GOD'S CHOICE** in the matter, faithful stewardship with God's money, making prayerful careful decisions on his own, & how patience takes faith!

19. **DADDY MENTIONED HOW BIG CROWDS MAKE DITO NERVOUS & SHY,** the same way they do to him.

It's amazing how Dito could inherit so many characteristics of Dad's from having his own spirit, even though they are from different backgrounds. They do so many things alike!

20. **MOMMY ALWAYS WANTS TO MAKE SURE THAT DITO IS GETTING ALL HIS DIETARY REQUIREMENTS**

daily. She suggested we try some new foods at lunchtime, such as sardines, raw vegetables & health salads, & use mayonnaise or sunflower oil etc.

21. **DAVIDITO WAS LEARNING TO READ SO WELL & QUICKLY** during this time, he was easily completing a new reader a day. I showed Mommy & Daddy the two books that he'd read by himself one day, com-

menting, "Well, they may not be too spiritual, but he can read them!" Dad said,

22. **"GOOD GRIEF HONEY, WHERE DID YOU KIDS GET THIS IDEA THAT EVERYTHING THE CHILDREN READ HAS TO BE SO SPIRITUAL?"** They'd be so heavenly-

minded that they'll be of no earthly good!" So they liked the simple story books we found about children's lives & adventures, with good morals and a pleasant artistic & spirit

23. **DITO ENJOYS DOING HOUSE CLEANUP JOBS SO MUCH THAT DADDY BOUGHT A REAL LITTLE PORTABLE VACUUM CLEANER** that he could operate all

by himself! We really needed one in the house, and he treated it like his own! Every day for a long time afterwards, he'd vacuum the whole upstairs floor on his own initiative!

24. **ALFIED & I ONCE WENT SHOPPING WITH MOMMY & DADDY & FOUND FOR DAVIDITO A BIG-FACED WATCH**

with bold numbers and a second hand! It was so cute how we were all raving about how our little boy would just love it, and the salesman asked how such to shorten the watchband. Dad laughed & said, "You'd better just punch holes all the way down, he's only 21, ha!"

25. **DAVE THE HANDYMAN JOINED OUR HOME STAFF** ONCE AGAIN, & was always a great help

with teaching and playing with Davidito. Once when he and Davidito were standing on the top floor landing preparing to go downstairs, Dito told Dave, 26. **I'LL JUST WAIT HERE & YOU GO GET THE LIGHT BULB,** So Dave hurried

"The workmen are worthy of their meat!"



down to the kitchen floor while Dito zipped down the hall and knocked on Mommy & Daddy's door to see his Daddy was very busy working on a letter, and they said that Dito looked around like he knew he was intruding when the door opened, but Dad said in his usual friendly greeting, "Hello! Come on in, sweet boy!"

27. **AND I'LL NEVER FORGET THE FRANKIE EXPRESSION ON DAVE'S FACE** when after searching for about 10 minutes he came to us saying, "You won't believe this, but I've lost Davidito!" Ha! Dito says to me, "Hey Sara! Y'know what? Mommy and Daddy are my best friends!"

**GROWING IN THE LORD:**  
28. **IT WAS DURING THESE SUMMER MONTHS THAT DAVIDITO CONTRACTED THE PROBLEM OF STAMMERING** which we shared with you in Ch. 24 & ML No. 722, Ch. 25. By prayer & God's healing power he soon overcame this handicap, PTL!



29. **WHILE LOOKING THROUGH A NEW READER, DAVIDITO SPOTTED A PICTURE OF A DOUBLE-DECKER BUS** toy and said, "Sara, I used to have a toy just like that. That I would like to have a toy like that. It was long ago in a far country, I would very much like to have that." I gave him the verse, "Let your request be made known unto God" (Phil. 4:6), and he right away began to pray, all on his own!

30. **"JESUS, I USED TO HAVE A BUS JUST LIKE THAT,"** long ago in a far away country, Jesus. Jesus, I like that bus. I would like to have that bus like Jesus. (Then to me:) "Sara, may I see the book, please?" He pointed out the picture of the double-decker bus & as he continued his prayer, kept his finger on the picture as if he were making his own order, right out of the catalogue! He stammered through his prayer quite a bit, but he got the point across.

31. **THEN I SUGGESTED HE CLAIM A VERSE, SUCH AS PHIL. 4:19.** He quoted the verse and emphasized the "need" like he was really trying to sell the "need" on the idea that this bus was a real need! It was a beautiful experience to see him claim the Scripture and put his whole heart and trust into the Word, and I shared with him more on how Jesus hears every prayer.

32. **ALFIED HIRSHLIT EVER KNEW THAT HE'D PRAYED FOR A BUS,** but only days later he brought home the same kind of small double-decker toy Dito wanted! When he "found" his own shiner prize in Alfred's shopping bag, he shouted, "Jesus! I think you really like me!"

33. **WHEN HIDING ON THE TRAIN DAD POINTED OUT A YOUNG, TOWER KID ABOUT 9 OR 10 YEARS OLD,**