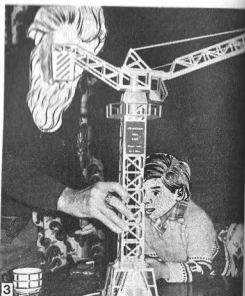




"It's so big!--What could it be?"



"Can I play too, Daddy?"



A huge crane toy--battery operated!



Aif & Davida take a turn with "Dad's" new toy!

play too!

13. QUITE A HELPFUL ADDITION TO OUR HOUSEHOLD WAS THE USE OF A CAR, since all the time previous to this we had done shopping only by local transportation. Since Dad's the only knowledgeable mechanic in our home, he exhorted the boys on how to go about looking for a good second-hand car & suggested too that Alfred take Davidito along when looking for a car to see what kind of witness Dito would get on exactly which car to buy, since he's so psychic! Mommy Maria also reminded us very soberly to give the children a good lecture on proper behaviour in a car since Daddy never allows any footish

horseplay or loud-talking etc. in the car that could distract the driver! The children should sit quietly with doors locked & obey the rules when riding in the car, & they always have. GBT!

14. QUITE HONESTLY, OUR TIME SPENT IN THIS HOUSE PROVED TO BE QUITE A BUSY & INTENSE ONE, for it seemed we had one battle after another, including David's betting problem (which we covered in another Life Story chapter), as well as the defecting of ex-leaders Rachel & Emanuele, as told in "The Nebuchadnezzar Revelation" (Letter No. 763). Tim Concerned, who had been working very closely with Dad & Maria as a Royal Consort, left

our home on the 30th of January. It seemed we never really got "back to the regular work" so to say, but Dad & Maria were "over-working" & faced with emergencies one day after another! Nevertheless they never seem to lose that calm trusting faith in Jesus! It's just beautiful, TTL!
15. DADDY WOULD OFTEN COME TO DINNER WITH THE LATEST NEWS & A REAL "HEATED" TAKE FOR US about how shocked he was how the Devil really could go & lead our men people astray. Davidito interrupted him one night with a couple of cute little testimonies, & Daddy said, "Thank you, Son, for being such a peacemaker!"

16. OUR CHILDREN HERE OVERHEAR QUITE A BIT OF ADULT CONVERSATION & LEADERSHIP DISCUSSIONS, so every situation must be openly & honestly explained to them so that they, too, can understand why & what we're praying about at devotion time together, for example. One day out of the clear blue when David & Davida were with Dora, since I had gone on a brief trip again to Rachel's territory for an assignment, David said to Dora, "I don't like Rachel, she's being a bad girl!" Dora explained that Rachel's going through some times of learning lessons now, & everybody makes mistakes at times, etc. when Dito said at the end of her comments, "Rachel's the Devil!" Dora was shocked & said, "Well, no, but she may be listening to the Devil & not the Lord." Dito then said, "She's learning some lessons," & left it at that.

17. WHEN I MENTIONED IT TO DAD IN A NOTE, DAD SAID "HOM, HE'S AMAZING! I want a full report about what Dito said about Rachel being the Devil! The whole circumstances! That guy, let me warn you, he's as psychic as can be! Don't ever try to kid him, he knows what you're thinking & I mean it!"

18. HERE RACHEL, EMANUELE & TIMOTHY HAD BEEN SO CLOSE TO US AT TIMES, even living with us in the same house part of the time, & therefore the kids related to them & knew them better than most family members, but after their backsliding & actually turning on us, with our hearts really broken over it, especially poor Dad & Maria, we now had to explain to the children what had happened to these "leaders" whom they too were personally acquainted with & who sort of "represented" the outside family to them. LHJ!

19. BUT THIS GOD FOR PETER, & FOR HIS DEAR, FAITHFUL WIFE MAMARIS WHO FORSOOK ALL so whole-heartedly & wonderfully to



Our dearest Dad & Maria, with Peter.

strengthened the Lord's work! Peter joined Dad's team then in February, he being over there along with the rest of us the others who had shocking reports about the others who had chosen to go back rather than to serve our King & Queen in the Lord's work! Imagine! We just can't understand it!
20. WE HAD A COUPLE OF OTHER NEW STAFF MEMBERS JOIN US AT THAT TIME, including sweet Jack the Artist, & handyman Daniel as well as a single sister who helped with house cleaning. Every new person who came commented about our children, how they were surprised to see that they weren't quite as "exceptional" as they'd imagined. Ha!--But that they led what seemed to be rather normal lives throughout the day & didn't have a schedule crammed full of school-time & extraordinary opportunities, as some people have put on or expected! One great difference, however, in our life style is the great spiritual battle we encounter so often due to the important work & responsibility given Dad & Maria, so it's not exactly always "easy" for newcomers, & it does take quite awhile to adjust & even come to grips with yourself of exactly where you are, & how it's only Jesus that's going to help you become any kind of blessing & help to the work here!

21. IT WAS SOMETIME'S QUITE A FIGHT TO MAKE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR SCHOOLING THE CHILDREN since our schedule & normal routine had changed so often. David was also having some behaviour problems due to his almost bitter attitude about the persistent bedwetting problem, accompanied by the return of the stammer in his speech & a sort of rebellious defiant attitude, seeming to want to hurt us & gain attention, all of which was covered in a previous life Story chapter.

SCHOOL TIME & ACTIVITIES--TYPING

22. LEARNING HOW TO TYPE ON A SMALL PORT-