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We met Augustin on the bus ride home from school yesterday.

The kids always watch us from the living room window as we leave for language school. Today they watched Derek leave as I stayed home.

Prayer Requests

Here are our quick, specific prayer requests for August 22, 2017:

- My language tutor helped me find another English-speaking female OBGYN at the hospital I want to deliver at, and she's available much earlier than the other two. I get to go tomorrow evening at 7:40 pm (yes, the really have appointments that late!) with Shannon Ebbers (thank goodness she's willing to go with me!). Please pray for this appointment - for clarity and wisdom and health. I'll get an ultrasound, too!
- The usuals - Catalina's hips and pregnancy, friends for Elin, decision about Kindergarten and which one, pastor for our church. THANK YOU!

Who We Met

On our way home from school yesterday, we were really delayed as the buses didn't seem to come when they were supposed to. And on top of that, when we finally got on our last bus back to the station we both irresponsibly got on our phones and were checking email so that we missed our stop. At that time, the

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There are machines on each bus where you scan your bus card or tickets, so it would be very easy to just withhold scanning your card. Therefore, they have random bus attendants on random buses who use their phones to scan your bus card or ticket to make sure you pay. And there's a steep fine if you're caught so that it deters people from trying it.

Well this time we were happy to have a bus attendant check us so that we could ask what was going to happen since we missed our stop. Thankfully he told us that this particular bus just went down a few stops and turned back around to get to the station. And in the meantime, we got a chance to speak to him a bit.

He speaks a little bit of about 5 languages, including Romanian, English, French, Chinese, and German. He said that German and Chinese were the hardest to learn. He was jolly and even a little silly. It was fun speaking to him. And then he even joked with the other female attendant who was being a little more cross than he. And he was so kind to us.

Please pray for Augustin - that his jolly attitude might continue and spread to others here. That the Lord might use him and give him deep joy that can come only from him. Pray for us - that we might be just as enticing in our own interactions with others because of the Spirit's guiding.

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