



Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?" "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?" For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen. (Romans 11:33-36 esv)

I have been contemplating these verses recently. The Lord is rich with wisdom, and desires to give it to His children. He is the ultimate Ruler and Judge, and He needs no counselor or advice. No gifts that we give Him will every "repay" for all of the love, grace, and mercy (and so much more!) He has given to us. He deserves all glory forever, because all things come from Him and are sustained by Him.

In March, the Lord brings forth the flowering almond and cherry trees here. They are a fresh burst of color to the once empty winter branches, and they decorate the sidewalks when their petals fall like snow to the ground. God orchestrates the seasons and brings new leaves and new life in the springtime. I'm thankful for the beauty of spring and for the Lord's wisdom in all He has made.



This is a photo of the bus stop where I wait after school to go home. This past month, we have had a record amount of rain, where it rained almost every day for about 3 weeks straight! It was something Madrileños (people from Madrid) and us missionaries were not used to because it is normally sunny for a huge part of the year. Only this past week did we start having more sun than rain again?

At ECA...

Spiritual Emphasis week: Starting out each day with chapel, we worshipped together and listened to speakers. This year's theme was "His Workmanship" (from Eph. 2:10). For one lesson, the elementary kids really grasped the concept of their hearts and lives being "moldable clay" that the Lord can shape and use how He wills.

In Bible class recently, we've been learning about Solomon. Many times, I point out how the OT stories point to Jesus Christ or our need for Him. Today's lesson was about the temple, and the students enjoyed discovering the symbolism pointing to Jesus.

Other News...

Allie S. has arrived and has moved into my apartment! It has been a good transition so far, and we are getting along well. I'm thankful to have a house-mate again :)

Last Saturday, I met up with a Spanish university student who I had originally done language practice with back in 2021. Lidia and I reconnected, and I was able to practice my conversational Spanish, and she practiced her English. I'm praying for an opening to talk about faith and spirituality the next time we get together.

Praises:

- Reconnecting with Lidia
- sunshine this last week of March
- Allie arrived and has settled in to the apartment

Prayer Requests:

- More conversations with my Spanish friends (and balancing work tasks with the desire to meet up and practice Spanish more).
- Torre Fuerte church is having our annual Easter egg outreach event this coming Saturday, April 5th. Prayers for those planning the event, as well as for the hearts of the adults and kids who attend.