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Dear Margaret,

It was a nice treat to have you and your talented family at our school this past Summer. You are such a good teacher. The kids really enjoyed your classes. And every one is still commenting about your daughter's angelic voice.

Regarding your dad, my life has been deeply affected by him from the first day I met him (along with Sister Blair and the "marimba de hijos"). Dr. Blair was thoughtful enough to always take the time to answer my many questions about Cakchiquel and I admired his respect and love for the people of Guatemala. I fell in love with his methods to teach me the new language and awoke in me a special interest for languages. After my mission, when I was looking for a place to stay and a sponsoring family to go to BYU he immediately signed all the paperwork and opened up his home to me. I always felt like a member of the family. There was never a hint that I should pay rent or that there were conditions to my living in his home. Being all by myself in a foreign country, on a tight Guatemalan budget, this is something I will always treasure and be grateful for. I don't remember ever hearing a harsh word in his home and there were plenty of smiles and words of encouragement. Even to this day, when he learned of the things I was doing and trying to achieve he has been most supportive and has taken of his time and resources to participate and help. Brother Robert Blair has been my mentor, my friend, and my teacher. I love him immensely as I do all of you guys.

Julio Salazar.