

# meet the **MUCKLES**



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## their story

Ken and Carolyn met when Ken was serving as a youth pastor and Carolyn became involved in that church's young adult group. They married, and then went to Costa Rica in 1996 for a year of language school. In 1997, they went to serve in Madrid, Spain, and have been obedient to God's calling on their lives ever since. It is a difficult ministry field since Spain is believed to be the most secular nation in Europe.

In 2000, God led them to move to Guadalajara to join a church planting team in that province. They started with a small Bible study with eight members, and now hold their church services in rented office space because the congregation outgrew their home. Federico and Lucia began partnering with them in ministry in 2009. Fede had been one of Ken's students at the SEFOVAN Seminary, where Ken has taught part-time since 2001.

Ken and Carolyn also minister through an English reading club and aerobics class, Apples of Gold, a children's group, and sports programs. The focus of their ministry is church planting through friendship evangelism of those who don't know the Lord, and teaching and discipling those in the church.

Ken and Carolyn have four grown children. Joe, his wife, Val, and their daughters, Addison and Haley, live in Philadelphia; Hannah also lives in Philadelphia; and Sam and Nathan are both in college in the U.S.

## prayer requests

The Muckles are thankful that all their kids are doing well.

The Marriage Workshop that the Muckles held went well. They had five couples who came to work on communication. Praise God that he is at work! Pray for these couples and their marriages.

Pray for Ken as he continues to teach seminary classes. Pray that God's truth is communicated clearly and that the students will thirst for wisdom and knowledge.

Pray for Ken and Carolyn as they are starting to meet with some of Ken's former students and their wives. Pray that bonds of friendship are deepened and that each marriage will be built up and strengthened in the truth of God's Word. Pray that these marriages will be shining testimonies to the love of God.

In October, Carolyn started up the English Play Group, where kids can come and play and learn English. Their Kid's Club continues to draw lots of kids and some new families. Pray that God will open hearts to the gospel through this friendship ministry.

Carolyn is still hoping to help teach English at the local public school. It has proved to be a little more difficult than they originally thought. Pray that God would open a door into the schools to show the love of Jesus.

Ken and Carolyn continue to adjust to life back in Spain. Continue to pray for them as they get used to an empty nest.

Continue to pray for their brother-in-law, Bob Lancia. He had another major heart surgery to put in a permanent heart pump. He is recovering and still needs prayer.