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be separate from her & be more of a "big boy".

**25. IT WAS ALSO DURING THIS FAMILY TALK & COMMUNION THAT DADDY FIRST TOLD DAVID & talked openly about the new baby:** "Do you know that Mommy has a baby in her tummy?" Daddy said excitedly. Maria was four months pregnant at the time & prior to this, we had not yet much talked about it with him, so not to have him expect the coming of a baby too soon, & have to wait nine long months wondering if she'd "take his place" or not.

**26. IT WAS AFTER ANOTHER LITTLE FAMILY TALK, WHEN WE JOINED HANDS FOR PRAYER, THAT DADDY REACHED HIS HAND OUT FOR DITO'S** & said, "Now you can reach for Sara's hand". David then broke away from Daddy's handhold & walked over to reach mine, & Daddy laughed: "Hey, that reminds me of a joke!" he said. "Can you stick out your tongue & touch your ear?" And David did just that--he stuck out his tongue then touched his ear with his hand! Daddy said, "Hey! Where did you hear my joke before?!" --But he never had. Ha!

**27. MAYBE YOU'D LIKE TO HEAR DADDY'S STORY OF THE MIRACLE OF THE LAMBCHOP.**

when he was sort of murmuring, he said, about a certain restaurant's food, that it was not really very good & the meat was not big enough for the price it was. After he finished eating one small Lambchop, he looked down & there he saw another, big one on his plate, even bigger & juicier than the first, just like he wanted! Daddy was so thankful & said it happened just after he'd asked the Lord to forgive his "murmuring". "Delight thyself also in the Lord; & He shall give thee the desires of thine heart!" (Ps. 37:4).

**28. WE ALL REMEMBER, TOO, FROM OUR MALTA STAY, DADDY'S FUN "PET PROJECT" of working on an old chiming clock that he restored**



Dad's new "toy"--a chiming clock!

after discovering it in the attic. Daddy set it for every quarter hour so it would chime loudly throughout the whole house, & he'd watch his own wristwatch eagerly to make sure it was right on the minute, keeping the right time for the pleasure of everyone in the house. It was so funny, though, that in the first week or so of his working on the clock, we'd hear the clock make a windup sound like it was just about to chime, & Daddy would hurry down the stairs excitedly to get to see it chime as well, saying that he had to set it just a little bit slower or a little bit faster so it'd be right on the dot. Ha! Funny Daddy! He could hardly pass up such a mechanical "toy".

**29. THERE HAD NOT BEEN RAIN FOR FOUR MONTHS IN MALTA** & the people of the Island were very concerned over the beginning problem signs of drought! Dad faithfully prayed for rain & it came just days afterwards, so we made sure to testify to all our friends, shop keepers &

acquaintances that our father had prayed for rain & that if they would pray, too, God would surely answer!

**30. AND GUESS WHAT? AFTER FINALLY GETTING A LITTLE BIT SETTLED IN OUR NEW HOME IN MALTA,** we spotted a few former Royal Family members on the streets of the small town there, so we had to be extra cautious now not to be seen by them on our daily errands, or suspected as "one of them" there on the Island.--Our entire stay there was full of surprises!!



Dora teaches Davida how to bathe "her new baby".

**31. SOON AFTER ANA LEFT, OUR PRECIOUS BOHA HAD JOINED US & BEGAN HELPING CARE FOR DAVIDA.** It was one morning after breakfast, while Dora & I were doing the dishes together & the two kids were playing in the room nearby, that we were discussing how wonderful it was that the kids were old enough now to "take care of themselves" while we could get a little more housework done at times.

**32. JUST THEN, DAVID & DAVIDA CAME WALKING INTO THE KITCHEN WITH SCISSORS & HAIR IN HAND.** "WE CUT OUR HAIR," David exclaimed with a sheepish smile! Oh my--I was struck speechless, especially in seeing one of Davida's little pigtails missing! (Thank God, she'd only taken the



More cutting-up papers --& the evidence!

hair band out & it had fallen behind.) I really didn't know how to handle it, but talked to them very sternly about not even touching sharp instruments, especially Davida, who's not too good with her hands & is quite clumsy & irresponsible. They both got hard hand spans & a stern lecture, but I still didn't really know how to react, except to first examine the evidence before proceeding with punishment!

**33. NEXT, I TAPED THEIR TWO CROPPED HUNKS OF HAIR TO A PIECE OF PAPER & WROTE MUMMY & DADDY A NOTE** that I stuck under their door: "23 October 1978, Davidito & Davida cut their hair with scissors in only a couple of minutes playing alone in Davida's room. I spanked hands real hard, & sternly lectured them & no more using scissors for a few days! Both of them were warned before about the dangers of scissors, even just this morning. David confessed it was his idea. Davida actually cut off two big snips & David's piece isn't noticeable. Thank the Lord it wasn't worse & you can't tell, PTL! Love, Sara." **34. DADDY & MOMMY CAME OUT OF THE ROOM, SORT OF HIDING THEIR HUMOUR,** & came to inspect the children's hair. Daddy said, "Well, all kids try that some time or other. Thank You Jesus it wasn't too bad." --No problems with disobedience in using scissors since, Thank the Lord!