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One year went by. Then another. And the children didn't come. We began to think that perhaps there was a problem. The relevant medical tests were carried out, but everything was in perfect order. We didn't know whom to turn to, which saint to pray to. We visited many shrines of our Lady. Our request was always the same: "Give us a child! Please grant us a child!"

After praying so much for a child, our faith began to weaken. I asked our Lord each day in Mass for more and more faith, and he gave it to me. With Don Alvaro's prayer card in hand, I thought of beginning a novena. I knew that our Lord wanted my husband and I to be united so I asked my husband to pray it with me. We prayed the Novena to Don Alvaro with great faith. When the time came and we tested for the pregnancy, it was negative. Two days later, without knowing that it was

March 23, the day that Don Alvaro went to be with our Lord forever, the test came back positive. We could hardly believe it

At first we thought there was some mistake. A few days later we went to the doctor, and saw with our own eyes that the gift that had come to us from heaven was twice what we expected. There were two little beating hearts. We were expecting twins!

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