A TIME TO CELEBRATE

The evening of Friday, October 4th, 2013, started like all others. However, after the children were in bed, Gina G. noticed her forty-one year old husband, Jose, had collapsed in his chair. Gina’s brother, Manny C., a Goodyear Fire Firefighter, recently taught the family a chest-compression-only CPR class, so Gina recognized the nature of the situation, evaluated his condition, called 9-1-1, and began performing chest compressions. Phoenix Fire Dispatcher, Andrew M., helped Gina stay calm and focused on giving good compressions, until Goodyear Fire Department crews arrived on the scene. Jose was transported to West Valley Hospital where he received further treatment and then was discharged home just five days later, with no adverse side effects from his cardiac arrest.

Jose and Gina are thankful for the individual actions that will allow them to have many celebrations with their family and friends in the coming years!