



July 21, 2016

Dear Prayer Partners, and family: We hope and pray all is well with you all. As I write this Sheila is feeling ill with an infection in her body so we would appreciate your prayers for her today and in the days to come. It will be a busy week as we have planned a day of fun for the kids today, its sort of a real mini vacation Bible School. Why so short? Well during this years 1-week winter vacation we decided to paint the inside of the church and have a celebration of Friendship Day. So instead of canceling the VBS we shortened it, so we could at least do something for the kids. We painted the church on Friday and Saturday and it looks fabulous. The Friendship Day Celebration will be Saturday Night and everyone is to invite a friend to partake in a night of preaching, food, and fellowship. Then on Sunday morning we will have our normal services.

Also please pray about us starting a Kids Club in San Lorenzo. Some of the parents have expressed an interest in ministry as a result of attending another churches anniversary services. They were impressed to see how involved those people were in the ministry and how it was growing. They asked me, "why can't we do this?" I said we can, we have almost everything we need to do it, but we lack one thing. They asked, what? Well we have the place, we have the people, we have God, and that which we lack is dedication. All we need is the people to be dedicated. If I was to say what is the greatest need for our church is that people would see the need to be more dedicated to God's Ministry. But then again that is probably the cry of every pastor, I know it is the cry of our Lord Jesus. *"The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest."* Luke 10:2 Do not get me wrong we have some help and I am grateful for them, but these are a few who carry the burden of many and they get tired and discouraged when they see their fellow brethren talk of God but seldom put their hands to the plow. I ran across a quote yesterday that encouraged me a lot and I would like to share it with you. I do plan on printing it in poster size to share with the church family here.

Resolution #1 "I will live for God"

Resolution #2 "If no one else does, I still will" by Jonathan Edwards

The Bolivian Mothers Day celebration was a success, we had less than expected but it still was a wonderful time in honoring the mothers. Our Wed. night Bible still continues. We backed off on having it in the homes every week to every other week. I wanted to see if the people were coming because of the Word or out of curiosity of how their brethren lived. It was both, the first night we had it at the church, after a month in the homes the attendance dropped from 20 to 10. It has been consistent like that since. Which is still good because we were having just 4 at Wed. night Bible study at church. And if they greater number still comes when we meet at a home, then it will be an extra blessing.

In April of 2017 we are planning for a 5 month furlough to visit our Lower 48 states supporters. I will be contacting you in the future, to schedule a time when we can visit. I wish to be a good steward of God's time, and resources. First we will travel to Haiti with Sharon and Nathan to meet their birth family, then we will start our regular furlough visiting you all from Michigan to Texas and to Washington State.

Prayer Requests: Please pray for the salvation of Henry and Dionilda; Labourers in the Harvest; Sheila's health; VBS; and the Kids Club.

Praises: The opportunity to Disciple; Rocio and Sergio finished their 16 book discipleship and now are starting premarital counseling; and a bright a colorful church that was recently painted.

For His Glory, Matt. 5:16

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