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Dear Prayer Partners and Family: Hello from Texas, USA. We are currently nearing the end of our time in the USA. We have several meetings yet in Texas and NE, then we will be trying to get those suitcases just right for our trip south. The final week will also be full of good byes.

Concerning the ministry in San Lorenzo, Santos and Elizabeth are still ministering in our place and doing a very good job. Pastor Santos continues to teach several young people the guitar. Currently they are preparing specials for our church anniversary in November. Elizabeth has also started to teach piano lessons to two young ladies. We are praising the Lord for the young peoples interest in Godly music. Elizabeth is also doing several ladies meetings a month. Santos has been encouraging the believers to meet for Wednesday night Bible studies and prayer in different homes. We are thankful there has been a renewed interest in these meetings in the homes. For a small body of believers it strengthens the local Body of Christ.

Pastor Santos and Elizabeth have agreed to stay on for a few more weeks to help with our anniversary celebration of 10 years in the church of San Lorenzo November 10, 11 and 12. We have also invited Robert Hugo Paniagua Arroyo to preach during this time. He has recently graduated from the Bible Institute associated with our mission. We have some big plans, for some good preaching, outreach, and fellowship. So please pray for us as we prepare for this special day. We literally arrive in San Lorenzo on Oct. 30 so we will hit the ground running.

We praise the Lord that Sandro continues to come to church. Sheila had a chance to talk to his partner, Maria Elena, the only good that came from that conversation is knowing that she has not been caught up in a human trafficking. But sadly her heart has become so hard against the things of God. Can God still work in her heart? O yes so keep praying. Also Aldo and Daysi's son, David has been in rebellion for some time and now is going through rehabilitation for a drug problem. He needs the Lord! Pastor Santos did have last Wednesdays Bible study in the house of Daysi and Aldo, to encourage the family, but David would not come out of his room to participate.

I have some great news about the vehicle fund, God surely has blessed! To date we have about \$10,000 of what we need, so we are a little less than half way there. With all the troubles we are having with our current vehicle we are asking the Lord for a much newer, not new, but very reliable model. Unfortunately while some things are cheaper in a third world country, vehicles are not. Several churches have contributed and one even gave us \$4000 !!! To every one of you that have given thank you so much for your help. Please continue to pray about this need for another vehicle for the ministry in Bolivia, and if you feel led to help, please send your donation to Baptist Pioneer Mission and mark it for "The Ackerman's Vehicle".

**Prayer Requests:** Please pray for Santos and Elizabeth as they minister in our place; for our remaining meetings; transportation for the ministry in Bolivia; for Sandro, his children and their mother Maria Elena; Salvation for David; continued travel mercies; for the health of our parents. For our 10 yr. anniversary celebration Nov. 10, 11, 12. **Praises:** For the donations we have received for the vehicle fund. For the wonderful meetings and fellowship we have had.

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*For His Glory, Matt. 5:16*

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