



The Ackerman Family

Missionaries to Bolivia

"Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness." Psalms 29: 2

Dear Family and Friends, Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus!

14 of May 2010

We are presently making the final preparations for our furlough and believe me there are a lot of them. Now I can appreciate what veteran missionaries go through to get everything in order for their furlough. I want to Praise the Lord as we have been able to schedule all of our meetings with our supporting churches in Alaska and the Northwest, and Wyoming. If M. Scott of Alaska is reading this we want to visit you too, so please call us at 904-425-1644 and leave us a number where we can reach you.

The rest of our supporting churches we plan on making contact with you once we get to the States, and if you are not one of our supporting churches but receive this letter and support us in prayer please call the number above if you would like a visit from us. We will do what we can to visit you.

Last month I said Aldo and his wife Daisy accepted the Lord; well I am pleased to say that they are continuing in their faithfulness to do their discipleships. Also I am pleased to announce that a young adult, Rosandel Allamirano, has accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior and has also entered into the discipleship program. Also we have another couple Marcos Antonio and his wife Lourdes who have been coming to church and we have started the discipleship with them also. They have a young daughter Lourdes Jr. who has been very faithful to come to all the services. As you can see aside of our preparation for furlough the ministry here has become very busy. I am sure every missionary at one time another has thought, "should I be leaving now?", when furlough was around the corner.

The church here in San Lorenzo while we have had our ups and downs overall appears to be growing and we know we are leaving the Lords work in very competent hands. While a few knew we were leaving, we made the first official announcement Wed. night. I was pleasantly surprised at the response as many said they did not want us to go. This is a blessing but it is also going to make it doubly difficult for us to leave our Bolivian church family. A few have even said if we are not here they will not come to church. Please pray for these individuals, that they would see in the coming days that true Christianity is not about following a man, but it is about following Christ!

Arcil and Elizabeth are still planning on coming to San Lorenzo to take care of the ministry. They will be coming to live with us the first two weeks of June, so they can meet those we have been ministering to. If you want to see a picture of Arcil and his family please go to our website. I hope to upload a picture of them soon so you can see who you are praying for. I have also been teaching a course in the local Bible Institute, "The Battle of the Ages" which involves the spiritual battle between God and Satan; this has been very interesting and enjoyable.

Please pray as we finalize things here and especially about a new contract for the rent of the church building. The owners are hesitant to renew the contract if we are not going to be here this next year, so we are going to introduce them this weekend to Arcil and Elizabeth and hopefully God will put their fears to rest and they will grant us the new contract. And then June 11, we fly from Tarija to Santa Cruz, Bolivia and then on June 16 we fly to the States.

Please continue to pray for: Wisdom for us as we minister and plan for furlough; the discipleships that are in progress, a new contract for the church building, faithfulness of the Believers to continue to come, and Arcil and Elizabeth as they make the transition in ministries and to San Lorenzo. **Praises:** The salvation of Rosandel, and God's goodness and faithfulness.

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