

The Ackerman Family - Missionaries to Bolivia

Greetings in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ. It has been a very action packed month as we prepared for "Todos Transformados" aka "Reformers Unanimous" while we kept up with the other ministries and threw in a couple special sermons for some of my pastor friends who were traveling. Thank you for praying for us, we could not of done it without your petitions to the Lord on our behalf and His grace 3

Well we have finished with our very first Todos Transformados meeting and I believe the very first in Bolivia and quite possibly the first in South America. Glory to God! 5 persons attended our first TT meeting from the church. May not seem like a great start in a community with so much alcohol addiction. However, I am pleased, as they wanted to see what it was all about and now they are excited and actively inviting others. It will be difficult for us to, help people see that they are in need of help, because alcoholism is an accepted norm here in Bolivia. So please keep praying that God would open their eyes to their need. As I write this letter the community just finished back to back fiestas one for the Aymara New Year and one for St. John back to. Please pray for Sheila as the curriculum for the kids club of "TT" or "RU" was in English and she is translating every lesson into Spanish, with permission form RU Ministries. Thank You RU!!

The ministry in Canasmoro is suffering in attendance this last month so please pray for the Believers there. We have also noticed a pattern, when one ministry is struggling the other is doing well and they seem to take turns. I have also been filling in for Pastor Nathanial of the Belen Baptist Church in Tarija. They have started a work in Carachimayo last year and usually call on me at least once a month to fill the pulpit, however this month I will be preaching for him 3 times. It is a blessing to preach there as we prayed about starting a work in this community, but God is good and though we did not start it we have a small part in it.

A couple of months ago we cancelled our young persons meetings due to the lack of interest and started a family night the 1st and 3rd Sat. of every month. It has been a blessing to our fellowship. Through this we have also had Jean Paul and his family of 5 start assisting the church. Please pray for their salvation, they are so close and eager to hear the Word.

Our daughter Sharon is in Bolivia with us. We are sure happy to have her home she is a big help and we can see that she has benefited from her time at Shepherds College. She is cooking all the breakfasts for us, helping her mom a great deal in the kitchen, and me with some projects. She will be returning to Shepherds on the 29th of July.

3/7/2013 **Prayer requests** The Todos Transformados ministry in San Lorenzo; wisdom and energy for Sheila as she translates the TT kidz club curriculum, continue to pray for the young lady Yuli who has strayed from Christ, Salvation of Jean Paul and his family, someone or a family to help us in the ministry here, faithfulness and commitment for the Church in San Lorenzo and Canasmoro.

Praises: Todos Transformados is up and going, Sharon's health, the growth in Christ of the Believers here.

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For His Glory, Matt. 5:16.

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