



## The Ackerman Family

Missionaries to Bolivia

2/4/11

Dear Family and Friends, we pray that all is well with you and your families.

There is much to praise the Lord for in answered prayer since last we wrote. Christmas in Bolivia was a special time. Pastor Arcil had organized a Christmas celebration and outreach for the Church in San Lorenzo. Praise the Lord there were four professions of faith made that evening. Thank you for praying!

Then two weeks later 5 young people from San Lorenzo went to youth camp. It was an uncertain time in Bolivia because of the of Governments decision to raise fuel prices by 60% +, as a result there were widespread protests and the camp almost did not happen, but praise the Lord! The Government reduced the Fuel price hike and Pastor Arcil, Pastor Roberto (from Tabledita), and our friend Paul Frizzell persevered. From the reports we received it sounds like the Lord was greatly honored at this camp. We thank God for Pastor Arcil and his home church in Tabledita and their faithfulness in carrying on the ministry in San Lorenzo. We really miss the people and the ministry in Bolivia and it always blesses our hearts to hear from them and about what God is doing there.

Texas is our new abode for a few months as we visit the churches here in Texas. We are basing out of Baptist Bible Translators Institute in Bowie, TX where we graduated in 2004 from Bible translation classes. It is good to see friendly familiar faces and to see how the Lord is working here in preparing more missionaries for the various fields He has called them too. On an interesting note one would not think of being snowed in, in Texas, but this week is the longest I think we have ever been snowed in, and we have spent 20 yrs in Alaska !

It is a good thing that we know our citizenship is in heaven for the amount of traveling we are doing is leaving us feeling like foreigners wherever we go. Even though we are U.S. residents, our residence keeps changing! We praise the Lord that He goes before and behind and with us all the way.

**Please pray:** Wisdom; Travel mercies; Rick's shoulder may need surgery, Victory over temptation for the new believers in Bolivia during this month of Carnival (Mardi Gras)

**Praises:** Travel mercies, new believers in Bolivia, Christmas and camp were a success, Rick's Dad's angiogram went well, Sharon is stabilized in her meds.

P.S Please note the Furlough address change below.

For His Glory, Matt. 5:16

*Rick & Sheila Ackerman*

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