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MINISTERING IN BOLIVIA

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Dear Praying Churches and Friends,

We pray that you are all well. Wow have we been busy! As we said in the last letter we broke ground on April 11<sup>th</sup> for the new church building. It is going very well and advancing rapidly. Brother Sandro a contractor and member of our church is doing a great job being the foreman and getting things done. For each of the main concrete pours we have had a church from the city send a small group of workers to help us, what a blessing these 3 churches have been. In 3 weeks, we will have to invite all 3 at the same time because we will be pouring the roof, which is 1,300 sq. feet. Yes, the roof is a concrete slab that one day in the future will be the floor of the second story, that will be phase 3. All the mixing is done by an electric mixer on site. No cement trucks have been called. To date we have mixed 130 bags of cement. We have had to use a generator as the electric company is dragging their feet in connecting us. We hope to start Phase 2 in 2 years which will be our auditorium, and should cost less as it will not be a two story, structure and will have rafters for a roof.

We hope to be in the new building by November for our 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We have enough funds to do all the roughing in, but the bank account shows we will lack for the finishing. However, we are not going to trust in what we see in the account but what our God can do. If you feel the Lord leading you to have a greater part in this project, your gift would be a tremendous blessing. I say a greater part, because you already are a big part of this ministry. For that we say thank you!!

A month ago, I had the privilege to lead a young man to Christ. His name is Fernando. Fernando desired to meet with me and put me through a 4-hr. question and answer session. In the end he told me he wanted to accept Christ as his Savior. Since then Fernando has not come to church or answered my calls. Please pray for him, he is a very troubled young man.

On July 5-7 we will be having a children's club, which will include a Popcorn Olympics, please pray for Sheila and the youth as they invest their time into this out reach. I will help where I can, but most of my time will be spent helping in the construction.

With a good number of Seniors now attending the church, we were thinking of doing something on a regular basis for them. We are praying for the best way to minister to them besides transporting them to church and making visits.

On July 28 - Aug 2 we will be traveling to Icla, a remote village in Chuquisaca, to visit our missionary friends Ellis and Jillian Narcisse and family. I will be preaching for him on July 31.

Good News! Baptist Pioneer Mission now has online giving! If you do decide to give to us through the online method, **it is important that you indicate for whom the donation is, in the memo section. (i.e. Please put "Ackerman" in the memo section of the online gift.)** The link for making online donations is; <https://secure.subsplash.com/ui/access/NX87WD/>

We pray that the Lord is blessing the work He has for you, as He is ours. Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support these years. I do believe the harvest is at hand!

In Christ alone,  
Rick & Sheila Ackerman

Prayer Requests: Wisdom for us, protection and provision for the construction, Fernando, the kids club, the electric connection for the new church, our trip to Icla, and the Senior ministry. Praises: Improved health, visitors, progress on the construction,

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