



Rick and Sheila Ackerman Serving the Lord Jesus Christ. in Bolivia

Dear Prayer and Ministry Partners.

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Greetings from San Lorenzo Bolivia, Spring has sprung, but our rains are late. They say that is because of El Niño, but I have confidence the Lord will send us the rain we need when we need it.

Things have quieted down a lot in Bolivia since the president called for Martial Law for 90 days, then extended it again, but things are brewing in certain sectors. It seems the socialist government, after depleting their own wells, was buying fuels from other countries and selling it at a discounted price to the people of Bolivia. The gov. subsidized the cost, and a black market was created, where some people sold it back to neighboring countries. They say 40% of the fuel was contraband, but the gov. money finally ran out, and the president cut the subsidies to Diesel, and the price was tripled. The new price is now about \$6 a gallon. This has caused a spike in prices for everyone, the president also announced that soon the subsidies will be taken away for gas and propane. So instead of just the 20% price increases we have seen, we may see double or triple. I know you have seen the same increases for other reasons. It sure makes one consider what is really a need and not just a want. I pray that reflection transitions into the spiritual realm, that people see their need for a Savior.

Ok, let us move on to what is happening in San Lorenzo. The ministry is doing well; I just finished preaching a series on God's Provision for Normal Christian Living. In our Wednesday prayer meetings, we are studying a panoramic overview of the Old and New Testaments. On Oct. 5,6 I, Rick, traveled to Cochabamba for the annual Concilio meeting, with other Fundamental Ind. Bap. Pastors and leaders. It was a good time of fellowship, and we were brought up to date on what is happening with the government as it concerns the Evangelical church. Praise God we now have a Gov. that is more friendly towards the church.

We continue with our discipleships. I do want to tell you about our discipleship with Miriam (80 and a widow) and her son Julio (50). Both got saved in Nov of last year during our church's anniversary. And when we returned from the States after my surgery, we started discipleships with them. They are very faithful in church and in their discipleships. Miriam is a one of a kind, she literally writes all the bible verses and answers from our studies in a notebook. She has at least 8 notebooks she has written where she has written bible verses that speak of a certain theme, she has written her own topical reference book, for her own use. What a blessing and encouragement she is, and it is made so much easier to be encouraged by her because she is very humble.

A few months ago, we studied baptism and Miriam and Julio decided to do it. But our weather turned cold and then she got the flu, and then I got the flu and we were both sick. We decided not to do the baptism until the weather warmed up, because of her being 80 and delicate. At our last discipleship she and Julio said they would be baptized during our church's 19th anniversary which we will celebrate Nov. 6th, 7th, and 8th. What a blessing the Anniversary will be and to Baptize these 2 believers.

We also have some new visitors coming, Angelina and Candi. They have been several times and seem to like coming. We as a church are also planning our 19th Anniversary. We have been working on the parsonage for a future pastor. All the rough work is done; we have the doors and to fully close it in we lack the 6 windows, then we can move inside and do the finish work.

Thank you to all who made this project possible, with your prayers and donations.

My back is recovering well from the surgery, getting stronger every month.

Please pray for: Our health, that God would meet the needs of the brethren in Bolivia, and for the Anniversary of the Church and the Baptisms. **Praise:** for the goodness and faithfulness of God, the new visitors, our youngest son Joel's wife is expecting a baby any day!

We thank the Lord for you all.

For His Glory, Rick & Sheila Ackerman

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