



The Ackerman Family

Missionaries to Bolivia

26 of August, 2010

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

This is the farthest north we will come on our furlough, and now each meeting will bring us closer to Bolivia.

The Lord and His people have been so very good to us as we have travelled across the U.S.A. and we can truly say, He has provided our every need. Thank you to those of you that have put us up, fed us, helped with travel expenses and spent time fellowshiping with us. It is a joy to report to each church that has faithfully supported this ministry and we are amazed by the genuine love we sense at every one. In the next weeks I will be calling the remainder of our supporting churches in Nebraska, Michigan, and Texas to schedule meetings for early 2011.

We arrived in Alaska in time to assist with the VBS at our home church in Kenny Lake. It was a blessing to see the children come and respond to God's Word and to be part of our home team again. Our son Joel was able to go with several members of our home church to a small remote coastal village and do a second VBS there as well.

Several medical trials tested each of us in July and August but we can say that God used them to teach us to lean on Him even more, almost all are now resolved but one. Our daughter Sharon has suffered increased seizures due to her cerebral palsy and we are still trying to get her stabilized on medications.

We asked for prayer for our sons who have made choices and we would like to share the decisions that they made. Brandon, our oldest son is attending HACC in Harrisburg, PA, he is studying to be a police officer; Nathan has decided to attend Fairhaven Baptist College this year; and Joel is enrolled in Maplewood Baptist Academy in Kinross, MI for his senior year. Thank you for praying for them this school year.

Pastor Arcil in Bolivia reports that they had a successful VBS in San Lorenzo with 50-75 in attendance each day, but that the overall attendance at the church has suffered with the change in leadership. We all sought the Lord about Pastor Arcil and Elizabeth, and we have every confidence that God has placed them there in our absence. The one thing we have learned over the years is that God is faithful to fulfill His Word to His Glory. So please pray with us for San Lorenzo as this couple ministers in our place.

Praises: Good choices by our sons; Safety thus far; & God's mercy and goodness to us. (12,000 miles traveled in 2 mo.)

Please pray for faithfulness of the believers in San Lorenzo, encouragement and wisdom for Arcil and Elizabeth as they minister to the people; a hedge of protection about us as we travel; medical stability for Sharon, our daughter, a good school year for our boys.

Simply His Servants for His Glory

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