

## The Ackerman Family - Missionaries to Bolivia

Oct. 22, 2012

Hello Family and friends, I finally got some down time so that I can write this letter to you all. It was not how I wanted the downtime as I am now recuperating from Sinusitis and Pneumonia. But my body finally said today "NO MORE" and I spent most of the day resting and letting the antibiotics do their job. Please keep Sheila in your prayers also as she is not feeling well either and has been to the doctor several times. At one point they told her she was pregnant!! That was found **not** to be true but it sure did get us thinking.

Brandon is still in Afghanistan and will return in the next couple of months. Joel is in Alaska still working for a good friend of ours. Nathan is in PCC Florida and he is dong well. Sharon is doing very well at Shepherds College and seems to enjoy her extracurricular activities, with the choir and the Special Olympics Volleyball Team.

The ministries: San Lorenzo - We have had several new people attending church, a middle age man named Roman and Calixta and her 2 children. We are almost done with our Evangelism course and are going to do some practical application soon. On the 9<sup>th</sup> thru the 11<sup>th</sup> of November will are going to have a 3 night outreach. We also have relocated the church, and the place we are now located is so much better. The previous location had 2 houses on it; one was used for the church, and the other house was occupied by Marcos Antonio and Lourdes. However since Marcos had gone on the attack at a community meeting with name-calling and then an altercation with a man, we felt it was necessary to do some church discipline and distance our selves from him, as he would not take responsibility and apologize for his actions.

Canasmoro - is doing well the students had gone away for their spring break for a couple of weeks but now they are back. Leinith has returned with her joyous smile. On Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> we will celebrate our first complete year in Canasmoro, so we are planning a little outreach that night.

Carichimayo- You have not heard that name in a while. Well yesterday Sheila and I went and helped Pastor Nataniel with their new work there that he and Belen Baptist Church of Tarija are doing. We have been praying for this community and now a Baptist work is there. Please pray for their 3 day out reach this 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>, we will be there to help them.

<u>Please Pray for:</u> God's wisdom in starting the new ministry to those snared by Alcohol, the 3 day out reach in Carichimayo on the 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> of Oct., the 3 day outreach in San Lorenzo on the 10<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> of Nov.; the outreach in Canasmoro on Tuesday Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, Help in the ministry here in San Lorenzo and Canasmoro, Mine and Sheila's' health and Brandon's safety in Afghanistan.

<u>Praises</u>: New visitors; Aldo and Daisy have made the decision to stop selling alcohol in their little restaurant and he has had a few victories in resisting the temptation to drink. God's Faithfulness and your faithfulness and support.

For Kis Glory, Matt. 5:16. Rick & Sheila Ackerman

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