Dear Praying Friends,

“Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)” Hebrews 10:23.

“He is faithful” is a fitting title for this prayer letter. We thank the Lord for a safe and smooth trip to Costa Rica for Language School. Thank you so much for all of your prayers for us as we have traveled and have adjusted to life in a different culture. We have settled in nicely to our home and have completed a month and a half of language school. We have begun to make friends and to establish relationships with our neighbors. Last week, our next door neighbor invited us into their home for coffee and finger foods with some of their friends. We spent more than three hours in conversation using what little Spanish we have learned. We praise the Lord that we quickly struck up exciting new friendships. The conversations hit a climax as they asked us to explain what we were going to do in Argentina after learning Spanish. I admit that it’s easy to build excitement and enthusiasm as we struggle to communicate using a little Spanish and a lot of charades and hand gestures. It seemed that they enjoyed the guessing more than we enjoyed trying to speak. In order to explain “church planting” in Argentina I used a little bit of “roll play” to demonstrate inviting people into our home for Bible study. I was overwhelmed as it seemed as if they were ready to accept my invitation to our home for Bible study. Soon they learned that we would only be in Costa Rica for one year and then asked if we couldn’t just stay. When we left, we were exhausted, yet encouraged to see that God could use us to touch hearts in Spanish, even if it was with a little bit of charades. Please be in prayer for these new friends that God would use us to share the Gospel with them in a more thorough way. We have been invited to come to their home every Friday.

Contact information: Please note that you can contact us through email (grinsteadfamily@gmail.com) and through our MagicJack (740-935-2888).
Please note that we no longer use the website TheGrinsteadFamily.com.

Prayer Requests

1. Please pray that we will have good success in learning Spanish.
2. Please pray for our spirits and our physical strength as we deal with the exhaustion of learning a new language.
3. Please continue to pray for the salvation of souls in Argentina.