



Marie Family Update

July / August / September 2018

Prayer Requests

Luke's dad with his
ALS

CJ & Alison's
Salvation

Limber's health and
salvation

Deaf seminary
classes

Deaf March on 28th/
tract handout

Jessica's teaching
opportunity end of Oct

"I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth."

- Psalms 31:1

We hope this prayer update finds all of you well. We are doing well and as ever have much to be thankful for. Our last update was sent out the end of June as we were poised to return to the states for the month of July to visit my dad who has ALS. Our time with him as well as with my mom was priceless. Caregivers are now going everyday to help my mom care for my dad in their home. We would appreciate it if you kept them both in your prayers. Their names are Skip and Margaret Marie. During our short trip back to the states we were blessed to be able to visit a few of our supporting churches and to have one new meeting to present our ministry in.

A few days after our arrival back in Bolivia I preached at a special activity for Friend Day that Pastor Rodolfo had organized. We had a really good turn out, including a few new deaf. Some new deaf friends of ours actually came even though they reject religion. Their names are CJ, who is Bolivian but lived in the US for 20 years, and Alison, who is American. Please pray for their salvation.

Rodolfo and I visited Limber in the hospital several times during the month of August. I believe we mentioned Limber in our previous updates. He is a deaf man from a different department in Bolivia, but has been living in Santa Cruz for some time seeking medical treatment for

various health problems. We have been able to give him the plan of salvation several times now, but he hasn't made any decisions or visited our ministry yet. Other August activities included having some much needed plumbing and electrical work done on our ministry rooms we are renting. Our landlady refuses to have anything fixed, so it all falls on us as the renters. Sadly, that is very common down here. The deaf also threw me a surprise birthday party at the end of the month, which was really neat. That was the first time in our 10 1/2 years in Bolivia that anyone has ever done that!

September has been a blur. The early part of the month had me interpreting a several day anniversary conference for Iglesia Bautista Fundamental Misionera Getsemani. This is the church where Rodolfo is an assistant pastor and has his deaf ministry apart from ours. His senior pastor, Pastor Adalid, asked me to be the guest interpreter for Rodolfo and the rest of the deaf. Later in the month Pastor Adalid also had me interpret for a pastor's conference his church hosted.

A few weeks ago I started a deaf "seminary" class on Saturday nights. This has been something on our hearts for a very long

time. I have 7 students attending so far. We are studying the great doctrines of the Bible. Pastor Rodolfo and his wife, who are 2 of my students, told me they attended and graduated from the Baptist seminary here in Santa Cruz, but felt that they missed so much through the interpreter. Now they get to learn again directly in their own language. Pray that God gives me wisdom in teaching this class and pray that my students would remain faithful.

Please also keep praying that our ministry reaches the hearts of the deaf here in Bolivia. This Friday, the 28th, Rodolfo and I will be joining in a large deaf march in the center of the city. We plan on taking advantage of the march to hand out John and Romans booklets and as many tracts as we can, as well as flyers with our ministry info on them. This march is an excellent way to meet new deaf.

Pray for Jessica as she prepares to teach at a ladies retreat the end of October. This is something put on by a BIMI missionary wife along with many pastors' wives here in Santa Cruz. Jessica is not the main speaker, but she gets to teach in one of the smaller workshops.

Many thanks to all of you back in the states who, by your prayers and giving, make our ministry possible.

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My dad Skip with my daughter
Gwyneth



Giving a challenge at our
Friend Day Activity
(51 people in attendance)

