



Marie Family Update

December 2017

I hope you all had a blessed Thanksgiving. We enjoyed ours very much! We had a great time sharing our Thanksgiving with missionary friends outside of the city of Sucre. While in Sucre we saw many friends and acquaintances who received us very warmly. Please pray for Magaly, a deaf friend who used to go to our church in Sucre. She is experiencing marital troubles and we were able to spend several hours counseling her.

Back in Santa Cruz things are progressing well. Pastor Rodolfo still faithfully meets with me for about 3 hours every Saturday to study God's Word. I've also had the opportunity to teach him some on the erroneous doctrines of the Jehovah's Witnesses. He has had many questions since the deaf in Bolivia are approached by the JW's frequently. I recently taught a lesson at his church showing the differences between the JW's' doctrine and what the Bible teaches. It was received really well. Pastor Rodolfo told me that the deaf were still talking about it the following Sunday.

Apart from that, recently Rodolfo told me that the head pastor of his church was very impressed with our plaza preaching ministry to the deaf, so much so that he started a street preaching ministry with the hearing part of the church modeled after what we do Sunday afternoons. We were pleased and humbled to learn that our ministry was and is having a broader influence than with just the deaf on the plaza!

On a personal note, we are changing houses here in Santa Cruz. Our rent contract is up in a few weeks and because of issues with our house (plumbing, etc...) and with our landlady, we decided to find a better place. God was very gracious and we found a nice house in a nice neighborhood, and yesterday we met the new landlady and she also seems very nice. We will be moving everything by ourselves in order to save some money, so the next few weeks will be very busy moving things, setting up, keeping the kids going in school through the move, ministry responsibilities, and getting ready for Christmas. We thank you in advance for all those prayers.

If anyone is interested in seeing ministry photos and small videos clips of our Sunday plaza ministry then just look us up on FaceBook. We share photos and videos almost every week.

Merry Christmas!!

Luke & Jessica Marie