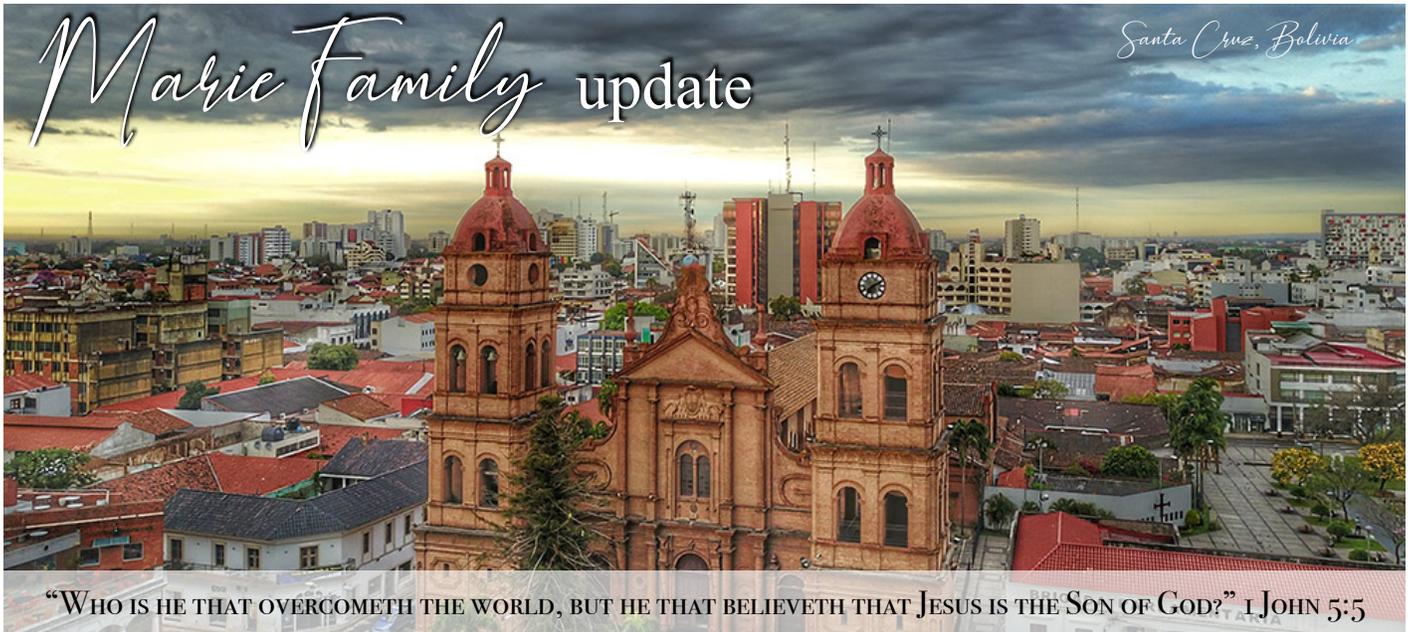


Marie Family update



“WHO IS HE THAT OVERCOMETH THE WORLD, BUT HE THAT BELIEVETH THAT JESUS IS THE SON OF GOD?” 1 JOHN 5:5

Dear Friends and Supporters,

We trust that your new year is off to a great start. We are excited to see what God is going to do in our ministry in the year 2022. Thank you for your prayers on our behalf and for your faithful support.

Looking back over this last year we have so much to be thankful for. Through the ups and the downs God really has blessed us so much, and we are humbled by what the Lord has allowed us to be a part of. One of the most humbling parts of our ministry is when we get to see people put their faith in Christ as their Savior. In December we were privileged to see 3 deaf people get saved. All 3 people are relatively new to our church. Please pray for Manuel, Yoselin, and her husband Alberto to keep coming to church and to grow in their new relationship with Christ. *“It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O Most High.” Psalm 92:1* At the end of December we held a special Christmas service and then had our annual Church Christmas party. It was a fun time of food, fellowship, and games. We enjoyed having new people attend this year.

We are very thankful that God made it possible for us to return to the states for a mini furlough this last summer and spend time with my father, because on December 2nd after a 10+ year battle with ALS he finally went to Heaven. I was able to make a very quick 1 ½ week trip to Connecticut to be with my family for the private viewing and memorial service. I am hoping to very briefly return to the USA this May for the burial service. My dad’s grave plot is in NH where I grew up and the cemetery had already closed for the cold season. Even though we really miss him, we are comforted knowing that he is with Jesus in Heaven and he is no longer suffering. Thank you to everyone who prayed for my dad all of these years. Please remember my mom in your prayers now as she continues on without her husband of 47 years.

In the beginning of this new year Rodolfo and I had the opportunity to counsel a lady named Susana who is new to our church. She says she got saved years ago, but spent a long time far from the God, then became convicted after attending our church for a few months. Please keep Susana’s spiritual growth in your prayers. Please also remember in prayer a faithful family in our church, the Salamanca family, who has been going through some really difficult times. Vladimir has been struggling for this past year with a variety of health problems and his wife Nelida had surgery to remove a tumor in her side about 6 months ago. We prayed for her through her surgery and recovery, but it was not conveyed to us until just recently that the tumor was cancerous. Nelida has just started chemotherapy in the last month and has not been able to attend church because of her delicate health. The family is very poor and they are struggling to have the finances to pay for Vladimir’s medicine and Nelida’s treatments.

Our Bible project continues on diligently. At the end of last year we were able to present various completed Bible passages to the deaf community. Overall the presentation was a success and those in attendance said they understood the videos. Now we are working on filming and editing the final copies of those passages. Within the past few weeks the Bible Society decided to bring in a replacement for the translator who left the project last year. We have welcomed on Swiss deaf Pastor Andreas Kolb for a trial period. The interesting thing about this choice is that Andreas is part of the Bolivian national deaf association that stood against this bible translation project its first year. Since that time we have been able to befriend Andreas and his wife Sara. If Andreas continues on with this project it will only help boost the acceptance of this translation, because Andreas is well known and respected among the deaf throughout all of Bolivia. Please pray that he integrates into our team smoothly and proves to be a valuable and trusted member. Thanks for all your prayers and many blessings to all you!

For the Gospel's Sake,
Luke & Jessica Marie



Pastor Rodolfo with the 3 deaf who got saved



Luke & Pastor Rodolfo Church Christmas Party



Marie Family Christmas 2021



Vladimir & Nelida Salamanca and their children

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