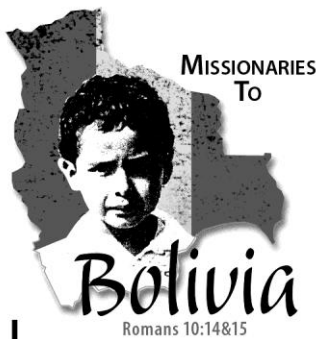




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Dear Praying Friends,

As we look back, this furlough seems to have flown by. The older one gets, the faster it seems to go. My two oldest will be graduating from high school in one and three years respectively. They grow up so quickly (The kids are 17, 15, 12, and 9). Please pray for wisdom and provision as we look into what colleges to attend and how to pay for it. We look forward to returning to Bolivia very soon, June 17th, maybe before some of you get to read this prayer letter. Who knows? But we covet your prayers, both for what we are going through, and for what the near future holds.

Sudden Passing

The first thing of what we are going through is hard to put into words. On May 22nd, just a week after his birthday, my younger brother Jacob suddenly and tragically passed. He was 45. Obviously, it was not at all expected, and it hit very hard. As always, God's grace is sufficient. And although I obviously would not want it to happen, I am grateful that I was able to be there with my family, to help them, to comfort them, and to grieve with them. We know that he is in Heaven, and doing so much better than us. But the healing will take some time. Please pray that God's peace would reign in our lives, guarding our hearts and minds. Also, please pray for my parents, as we return to Bolivia. It is always difficult to leave family, but especially at times like this. God has used us to minister to them, and they to us. And we pray that God would continue to minister to them in our physical absence.

Continued Contact with Bolivia

All throughout furlough, we have maintained contact with the people of Bolivia. This has been mostly through the preaching times every Sunday and Wednesday through WhatsApp. And there has been a great response from many. But I look forward to seeing them again and ministering to them in person. There are many people that I could name, but I wish prayer especially for Oscar and Laura. They were a young family in Valle Abajo with three little girls. Oscar, you may remember, was in a bad motorcycle accident a little ways back. I have lost contact with them, as they are not answering my calls or messages. Please pray that I can reconnect with them and possibly help them, both physically and spiritually.

New President/Economy/Political Unrest

Also waiting us is a country in turmoil. It has been 30 days since the protesters started blockading the roads. There are over 90 blockades countrywide. It started in protest of the economy, bad gasoline, and other things. But now, led by groups loyal to the former socialist government, their demand is that the new (non-socialist) president resign after only a few months into his five-year term. The capital of La Paz, and other important cities are completely surrounded by blockades. So other countries have been sending humanitarian flights to bring the necessary food and medical supplies. Also, there have been reports of armed and masked men threatening violence in these blockades. Many think it could be linked to narco-terrorists who don't want to lose their control in the country. One story claims that Christians are being persecuted, and even a pastor killed, in the area controlled by them. Please pray for the peace and safety of Bolivia, and that God would bring others to Himself through all of this. We are safe

in our area, but please continue to pray about that. We wish to minister to the hurting hearts.

Junior Camp in Bolivia

Coming up in August, we will have our annual Junior Camp planning meeting. It is always a great time to see coworkers and national friends, and to work on any needed changes before the summer camp in January. This year I have the privilege of preaching Bible time and leading the singing, with Jen, Rachel and Audrey helping with the snack shop or kitchen, etc. Please pray for wisdom in decisions, costs, planning, etc.

Car Issues

As soon as we get back, we will need to use our vehicles. And there have been some issues, hopefully just battery related. Please pray that the problem can be fixed as easily and inexpensively as possible.

Bible Institute “Seminario” Classes

One reason for needing the vehicles is that I need to drive to Vallegrande, about two hours away, once a week to teach in the “seminario” (or Bible Institute) for the second semester. This time, I have the privilege of teaching the books of Judges and Ruth. Please pray that I would be properly prepared and properly teach God’s Word to these future pastors and missionaries.

Finishing up Furlough/Returning to Bolivia

As we finish preparing to leave, please pray for several things. First, pray for the stress of packing up our house completely. It’s a lot of work. Second, pray for the long trip back, dealing with luggage, fatigue, customs, getting the house and church in Bolivia ready, etc. Third, please pray for several churches who are praying about whether or not to take us on, as through deaths, churches closing, inflation, and upcoming college has contributed to our need for some additional support. God will provide, as He always does. But He told us to ask.

In Christ,

Joshua, Jennifer, Rachel, Audrey, Daniel, and Katherine Morris