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**Psalms 121 "I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?
My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth..."**

Dear Family and Friends,

August has begun and it has already been a very emotionally charged few days for us. Would you please pray for our mental and emotional fortitude this month? We traveled to Venezuela in July and since we returned, our adopted country has entered into great turmoil after a highly contested presidential election. That, along with some other situations going on around us, has left us tired and discouraged at times, but God is sustaining us and knowing that we have a whole team of prayer warriors holding us up, has encouraged us. So, thank you for continuing to pray!

Adam will head north on Wednesday for our missions agency's yearly conference. He returns on Saturday and will have one week to prepare for his 2+ week trip to Africa! Please keep this trip in prayer! He will be visiting Rwanda (Parliament & Faith), Kenya and South Africa (the Prayer Seminar.) Please pray for energy, good health and awesome fellowship as Adam explores this new continent (for him.)

Love, Adam & Dianna

July



Spontaneous prayer with our family!

July began with our annual family vacation to Sandy Cove Ministries, although this year, it was just the two of us. We did have opportunities to spend time with our extended family (Hope's family) and many other dear "family" (friends who have become family!)



ESL Pool Party

We got back from vacation in time to throw an ESL pool party at a friend's house. We had a great time with 30 staff and students from our ESL program. Please pray as we gear up to begin a new year of classes on September 9th.

Three days later, we were in the airport again for our 2-week trip to Venezuela. We had originally planned to spend more time there, but the government in Venezuela changed the presidential elections from the normal December date to July 28th. We all felt it would be

prudent for us to not be in the country during the elections. It has proven to be a good decision.

Arriving into Venezuela, the atmosphere was a little tense. For the first time ever, we were separated from the arriving travelers by officers and asked questions about our stay and for more personal details we don't usually need to provide. It wasn't a negative interview, just very different than we have experienced before. Fortunately, we only waited about 30 minutes before they allowed us to pass.

It was an adventure to stay at the church property for the first time since the construction and cleaning was completed. Our water is pumped from an underground tank into roof top tanks then gravity carries it down into the bathrooms. Our first night there, we had no hot water due to a toilet leak that emptied the tank and removed the pressure for the hot water heater! The next day, our handyman was able to figure out the problem and we had no other issues with water for the rest of the stay. Overall, it was a great stay, and we are



thankful for the hard work everyone has done to keep the building running well. Another interesting part of staying at the church is you get to see more people in a spontaneous way, as they prepare for ministry or are just strolling through. We don't want to lose sight of the fact that ministry is people!

We held the men's and women's monthly meetings at the same time, with Adam speaking to the men, and Dianna speaking to the women. The church was full of fun and fellowship that day!

Mens meeting



Maricela is going to re-start our "Rafagas de Fe" (Gusts of Faith) ministry which sends teams of ministers into children's hospitals. They dress up as clowns and have someone lead with singing into the rooms and they share God's love and the gospel.



Griselda, our evangelism leader never wastes her visits to the parks. Her team shares the gospel



using the bracelets.



Evangelism in the Park

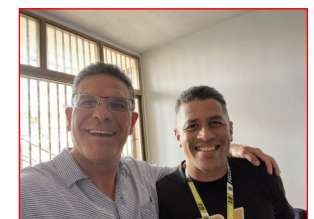
Stiben is our pastor friend who ministers the gospel through sports. He uses the Farmer's outreach bracelets while teaching tactics for soccer during the practices.

Stiben



Another key meeting was with Darwin, a longtime friend and basketball coach with FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes). He is planning to help our team enter a school of 1,400 students so we can teach the "True Love Waits" program to the student body. Please keep that in

your prayers.



Darwin

During the two quick weeks, we were able to focus on various ministries and visits with friends and families.

Our newest church member was born just prior to our visit. Samira was born to Eyler and Sofi. Thank you, Lord, for her healthy and safe arrival. We got to visit her and her parents as we attended a dinner at our elder's house. Ivan and Enyis are Eyler's parents. Our dinner time with arepas and tea was a sweet time of fellowship!

Over the years, many of our young people have left Venezuela and some are trickling back in as they settle down, marry and start their families. Our church has tried to be a safe place for them to return for encouragement and grace and mercy as they come back. We got to visit with a few of these people on this trip.

Sundays were packed with services, baptisms, meetings and of course, food!

Sofi, Samira & Eyler



Dinner with the Arellanos



Former youth, (T) Walter and family (B) Nazareth



Visiting with our friend Karla (tan) and her kids, Karla & Moses

L to R: Baptism, after church luncheon, leaders meeting



The last day of our trip was a national holiday, so we hosted a Family Day in the park. We set up the hot dog stand and invited the church to come and hang out with us. About 40 people came out and we played games and talked for a time before the rains came down. We ran and sheltered under a small hut and took the time to share testimonies, prayer requests and to sing together. Of course many had the presidential elections on their minds, so we interceded as a group.

We returned to Baltimore on the 25th and on the 28th, the elections were held. The government quickly announced they won with 51% of the vote, although all records and reports show they lost with less than 30% of the vote. So now we wait to see what will happen with our beloved Venezuela. Please pray that the church will be light and hope in these difficult times!

Church Family Day



Prayer Requests:



♥ **Pray for the church in Caracas as they continue evangelism and discipleship. Everyone is excited at how God is moving and at how the new building is being used. Pray that the Presidential Election will come to a peaceful conclusion quickly.**


♥ **Pray for the elders: Adam & Dianna, Ivan & Enyis, and Rene & Consuelo. Please pray especially for their health, financial provision and spiritual protection, and for their strength, stamina and wisdom as they lead the church through this on going crises. Protection, safety, provision and wisdom for our church family in Caracas.**

♥ **Please pray for our friends, Karla and Leslie, as she continues her cancer treatments in Venezuela. We just heard some upsetting news and we are begging God for a miracle of healing. Please pray for her.**

♥ **Praise that Daniel started a new job as a clinical therapist on July 22nd. Pray as he ministers to the youth of his church.**

♥ **Pray for David and Hope as they go forward in pursuing becoming missionaries. Pray as they reach out to other young married couples and lean into youth ministry in their church.**

♥ **Praise and prayer for the finances needed to continue in the work God has called us to do.**



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- Aug 7-11 - IAGM Missions Conference, Seneca Falls, NY
- Aug 18-24 - Adam in Rwanda with Parliament & Faith
- Aug 24-28 - Adam in Kenya for the Prayer Seminar Ministry
- Aug 28-Sept 2 - Adam in South Africa for the Prayer Seminar Ministry
- Sept 7 - Prayer Seminar in Frostburg, MD
- Sept 9 - ESL Registration Night
- Sept 16 - ESL Classes begin

Schedule

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