March/April 2016

It is our pleasure to catch you up on all the previous prayer requests since our last letter.



1. Manacamiri is a village community on the river and is only accessible by boat. We have visited twice now and conducted services each time. There are mostly hearing people all around, but there are also two Deaf women who have not had any church influence for years because of the distance from the main land.



2. The children's public school ministry is on hold until the school schedule opens up later this year.

3. The Deaf G.E.D. class was mainly during the Summer Vacation. During that time, I taught the first level class and am now continuing with our Biblical Character Training lessons during our Wednesday evening chapel time with the Deaf students at school with the Bible for our textbook.



4. Joni is a young Deaf woman with a newborn baby girl. The father is not involved in their lives. She lives with her parents in a stilted house next to the river. We were able to bring a church service to her home for her birthday. We had a good turn out and we are hoping to see them come to visit for a service someday soon.

5. May is upon us and we are preparing for Mother's Day, with gifts for the ladies and having the children sing for the program. May 15 will be our first baptism service. We will be using an above ground pool we purchased and will set it up on the patio.



6. We had our first Lord's Supper fellowship this past Saturday. We had 10 in attendance, but there were many others who are saved, but did not come. I have come to see it this way: The Church is a family, with God as Father and each member is a child. When we arrive at the Lord's table, we must behave ourselves as children who want to obey and please the Father, not fussing with each other or fighting amongst ourselves, but living in the bond of peace. We, as children around His table, should understand also that if we seek to misuse His table, He has all the right to chastise one of His if He must. When we are in fellowship with our siblings and the Father, then the Lord's table becomes a celebration, not a religious tradition, but a family holiday.



Prayer Requests

- 1. We need to make a short visit to the States to see Matt's Dad
- 2. Matt's dad's health and spiritual condition
- 3. We need to give Chula (our dog) away to a family with more room for her to run around
- 4. We are starting to consider a new location for the Church and the cost
- 5. Mary Luz is a Deaf woman who has been diagnosed with cervical Cancer
- 6. June 5 will be the final vote in the presidential elections in Peru- there is the potential for street protests

