

KROEKERS IN BOLIVIA

Missionaries to the Mennonites of Bolivia



July-August 2020

Dear Praying Friends,

Thank you for your faithful prayers and your faithful financial support through the summer. Thank you for the encouraging e-mails and phone calls.

Helping

Early in July we had the privilege, as well as an awesome responsibility, to fill the pulpit for a pastor. What a privilege it was to be a help while he and his wife were able to have a short get-away. It was great to see God orchestrate the plans and see fit that we could be a help. We have not had meetings since the middle of March of this year, save a few via virtual presentations, so this was perfect timing.

On the move

We also had the privilege of helping my parents move into their new home. This was an exciting time for the family as my parents have worked very hard all their lives and could now settle into their own home built to their liking. What an honour it was and how excited we were that we, as their children, were able to do the building program for them, move their belongings in, and do all the home decor as well as all the assembling for them. This drew our family together and was a great aid in showing my love towards them and being an example of a believer in trying to win them to Jesus Christ. I had the privilege of giving a bit of Scripture truth as my Dad and I travelled while moving. This was an answer to prayer as I have prayed for many years for an opportunity. God is using this in teaching us patience in reaching the Mennonite people. Please pray for my parents.

Not long after helping them move it was time to say goodbye. We had waited for the possibility of rebooking the meetings in Ontario that were cancelled but were not able to get one until November. We are now in Winkler, Manitoba waiting and praying for the restrictions and border closures to be lifted. After finishing meetings in Ontario we had plans to present our ministry in the United States. As the border closure continues we have had to cancel all meetings in the United States as well. Please pray that churches would consider a virtual presentation as we have no other way of presenting our ministry at the moment. Our desire and burden is to be in Bolivia reaching the Mennonites with the Gospel. For now I am looking at getting a job in welding and in the meantime I am helping with the building project at Pembina Valley Baptist Church.

Outreach

During the last leg of our stay in Ontario we had the opportunity to reach out to children with the Gospel at a campsite we were staying at. The children that were there were seasonal campers and treated the place as a community and did not hesitate to show up at our door to see if they could play with our children. My wife decided to do fun crafts and have snacks with them to share the Gospel. These children knew nothing of the Bible stories many children grow up with. Please pray that this will make an eternal impact and that down the road these children would be saved.

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VBS

Renee and Leanne were very excited to be able to see their friends and go to VBS hosted by Pembina Valley Baptist Church. The girls and I were excited to hit the streets with door hangers inviting children to the VBS. This was a great opportunity to get the Gospel out to the community as the Gospel presentation was printed on the back of the door hanger invitations.

Miss you!

Due to the Covid-19 restrictions we were not able to visit our home church during their annual Missions Conference. We praise the Lord for the opportunity we had to do a Face Time call with our church family and give an update of our deputation ministry. Our family was looking forward to this all year and are now looking forward for the day we can freely travel again.

Support

We are excited to announce that we received an increase in support from one of our supporting churches. We are also excited to announce that our support has not decreased during the Covid-19 restrictions. We thank you so much and commend you for your faithfulness! May God richly supply all your need according to His riches! Please pray that our support would increase and that we could move to Bolivia and reach the Mennonites with the Gospel.

Love, labourers together,

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