

January – March 2020

Dear Friends,

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it" Proverbs 22:6.

So much has gone on since my last prayer letter. I am going to try to pick just the most important ones. ⓒ God is so good to each of us if we only trust in Him to lead. Seven years ago I came to Honduras to live not knowing exactly what God would allow me to be a part of. Little did I know all that would transpire in this time. I have learned a lot. One of the prayer requests I have had for many years was to be able to take more classes, especially in counseling. Many times, I have looked back at what I studied in college and I have said, "If only I had done something different." Of course, I use what I learned, but I am finding so many other opportunities that don't deal with music. Well, to make a long story short, God opened the door in January for me to take a 7-week online course in Biblical Counseling. I just completed it this past weekend and am so glad I took the opportunity to study. I learned so much and have been able to put so much of it into practice already, helping others and in my own life as well. I will be honest, it wasn't easy as I haven't formally taken any college courses for 20 years, but God helped me through it.

Along with taking the college course, we also began many of the church ministries that had been "on vacation." This year, we have three Bible clubs running. I am currently teaching two of them and Pastor Evan is teaching the other. One of the clubs had 19 children one evening! It was so much fun having so many new children. Please pray for the children in these clubs that they will apply what they are learning in their lives.



Another ministry that began once again is the public school ministry. I

was asked to be at the Inauguration Day for the school year. The director asked me to lead in prayer for the kindergarten, elementary, high school, and night schools. As I looked out over the children, I was so excited to be on the mission field. The children all asked me when I was going to begin teaching. When I arrived at school

a week later, I was almost pushed over many times because the children wanted to hug me. Please pray with me that we will see fruit in this

ministry. Some of the children have now begun coming to the Wednesday night Bible club and hearing the gospel again. This year, I was impressed to begin an "adopt a classroom" program in the public school. I have the opportunity to work in 13 classrooms, with a total of 380 children. Many have signed up to adopt a classroom in prayer for this school year. If you would be interested in joining us and praying for a specific classroom on Tuesdays (when I teach) as well as throughout the week, please let me know. I can share pictures and details with you. I don't mind having more than one person praying for each classroom.



The church building construction continues to grow. We are praying the Lord will continue to provide the finances to finish this project and be moved in there by November when we celebrate our 12th anniversary. If anyone would like to help purchase supplies, the donation can be sent to BIMI #1394 with a memo of "Construction." If you would like to come help us with the building, we can use the help, especially with laying tile and hanging drywall. Please let me know and we can work out the details. We would love to have you here seeing what God is allowing us to do in Santa Lucia, Honduras.

As you can see, I couldn't touch on very many items, but these are the major ones. Please pray for me that God will continue to use me to be a shining light in Santa Lucia and Tegucigalpa. Please continue praying for my health as well. With the constant changing climates right now, I have been struggling with many sinus and respiratory issues. Thankfully, it is nothing compared to years before. I am thankful I have found a natural way to treat some of the symptoms.

In Christ, Keren Burdick

