

the WHITE family

Missionaries to

BOLIVIA

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Practice Makes Perfect:

I can remember when I first started working in our family's sheet metal business that I would take scrap pieces of metal and try to weld them. Needless to say, there were a lot of holes and not much weld. I had to do that for some time before I was actually able to weld on one of the jobs, but after a while I was a full-time welder. It was the practice over and over that helped me be ready for the real thing. It is very similar with the men that the Lord is allowing us to work with and help prepare for the ministry. We try to give them opportunities to practice doing the ministry before they go out on their own. It is good for them to make their mistakes with someone to guide and teach them. This past month we were able to send one of the men that we are training, named Gary, to help in the church in Cobija, that we have mentioned several times. He is going to be there for three to four months and has already been very active helping in many different areas. He has been helping with the kid's ministry and was able to get some of their parents to come to church. Gary has also been visiting different people from the church and helping disciple some of them. They are now renovating the church building and planning special activities for the upcoming months. The great thing about this internship is that is a help to both Gary and the church that is there. Please pray for Gary, the church in Cobija, and the other men that we are helping in their preparation to serve the Lord.

Special Visit:

This past month, I was also able to make a short visit with Pastor Juan in Santa Cruz for the anniversary of the church where he is working. This was their sixth anniversary, although Juan has only been there a few months. We had a great service with a great group and several first time visitors. Please pray for Juan and his family as they are facing various difficulties at this time. He is still struggling a little with his health but seems to be getting better little by little. They are also having to travel every weekend to be at the church until they can move there permanently, hopefully this will take place in a couple of months. This has been especially difficult because we are having strikes and blockades between cities right now so Juan has not been able to go by bus. With the help of Bro. Robert Murray, we have been able to help him get a plane ticket for the last couple of weeks, especially for the anniversary service, but this is not something that we will be able to do long term. Lord willing, they will be able to move there by the end of the year and will not have as many of these problems. Please pray for Juan and his family and especially the strikes that we are having. The strikes are causing both gas and food shortages in the country and many businesses have closed until things get better. The longer the strikes last, the more violent people become and the more it affects us here in Cochabamba.

Prayer Requests:

1. Pray for Gary and the church in Cobija that he is helping in.
2. Pray for Pastor Juan and the church in Santa Cruz.
3. Pray for the strikes and blockades that they can come to a solution.
4. Pray for our economy as the strikes are making things even more difficult for the people and businesses.



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