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ADAMS UPDATE

Dear Friends in Christ,

Oh, let us magnify the LORD together for He is truly great, gracious, and good!! We do want to give Him our thanks and praise for the many, many ways in which He has gone before us and prepared the way for us to be here in Cochabamba, Bolivia at this point in time. Thank all of you who have prayed and graciously given so that we have been able to see firsthand the remarkable working of the LORD on our behalf.

We left the U.S. as planned on July 18th, and we arrived in Santa Cruz, Bolivia on the morning of the 19th. He helped us to arrive with all of our luggage, and the knowledge that He had allowed us to leave with everything in order, as far as we know. He helped us to sell the Honda Passport to a dear friend in one of our supporting churches. Another answered prayer.

The wonderful new friends we have made at SAM (South America Mission) met us, gave us lodging at the SAM guest house, and helped us to begin the process of obtaining our visas and our carnets (Bolivian I.D. cards). This process has become much more difficult now that a new government is in place. We had hoped that we would have it done soon, but it is going to take much longer than we anticipated. Please keep praying for the visas and carnets to be done speedily and correctly. We cannot adequately express our gratitude to SAM for their many acts of kindness and support. We especially want to thank the LORD for Steve Vanderzwaag, Jeff Haas, and Dan and Neva Abbott. We are very grateful for this relationship which we, as MTW missionaries, now have with SAM. They are true friends in Christ.

When we just felt as though we just couldn't wait any longer in Santa Cruz to come to Cochabamba, we flew up here on August 1st, where we have been warmly received and greatly helped by another wonderful mission agency called SIM (Serving in Mission). We are now staying at their guest house, which is very comfortable and convenient. Lorna Bailey, who is the guest house manager, has been extremely helpful in more ways than we can relate to you. In the few days in which we have been here, we have seen the Lord already provide us with a very nice house to rent from a fine Christian man, who is the father of one of the young ladies that works in the SIM office. He also speaks English and Quechua as well as Spanish. He and his wife live right in front of where we will be living, which is also an added answer to prayer for that will provide better security for Rosie and Carla whenever I am away. There is another missionary family living in the house right now, but we will be able to move in on Sept. 6th, Lord willing. In the meantime, SIM is graciously allowing us to lodge here at their guest house. Can you believe that the Lord did all that the first full day that we were here!

We have also been to Carla's school, and she likes it already and has a new friend, Rachel Fuller, whose father will be Carla's English teacher. Rachel has gone out of her way to welcome Carla. More answered prayer! Carla's school begins on August 21st.

We could go on and on, but we will wait until the regular prayer letter to do that. We just wanted to give all of you on our email mailing list all this good news now that we have been helped by Dave Shipster, the SIM director here, to get our computer hooked up and running on their wireless connection. More answered prayer!

We would ask you to pray for Rosie's mother, Claudia Antonio, who lives in Hawaii and has suffered a stroke. She is 85 and fell and received a concussion and suffered a stroke. She is in the hospital and on IV as she has no appetite. She still doesn't know anybody and has dementia. Her blood pressure is also very high. She had a broken hip a while back that has not healed properly. As she recovers she will need physical therapy and home health care. Please pray for her and for the decisions which will have to be made by her five daughters.

Please pass this news on to all of our friends and yours, and if anyone wants to be on our email mailing list then please send us their email address. We are so grateful to you for all your prayers, and, as you can see, the LORD has been more than gracious in answering so very many of them in so many wonderful ways. He is indeed worthy of all our praise and worship. We all send you our

Love in Christ Jesus,

Earl, Rosie, and Carla