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ADAMS' JANUARY 2009 UPDATE

“Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise the LORD while I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being. Do not trust in princes, in mortal man, in whom there is no salvation. His spirit departs, he returns to the earth; in that very day his thoughts perish. How blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God; Who made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in them; Who keeps faith forever; Who executes justice for the oppressed; Who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free. The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; The LORD raises up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous; the LORD protects the strangers; He supports the fatherless and the widow; but He thwarts the way of the wicked. The LORD will reign forever, Thy God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!” Psalm 146 (NASB)

Dear Friends in Christ,

As we begin this new year, it is good for us to remember just how weak, fragile, and needful of God’s help we are. Isn’t it just wonderful that He who made the heaven and the earth and has delivered our souls from sin and death through Jesus Christ, our LORD and Savior, is ever helping all those who belong to Him and who are crying out to Him in their prayers both day and night. That is also why we also thank Him for your partnership in the gospel through your prayers, generous and faithful financial support, and other acts of mercy and kindness toward us and the people of Bolivia. You are greatly appreciated!

At the Cochabamba Presbyterian Church plant, there was a special Christmas service Sunday, Dec. 21. We were blessed to see so many people come and bring their family members and friends. After the worship service there was a Christmas dinner in honor of the first coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. The church provided broiled chicken, and each family brought a dish to share. There was a birthday cake with a candle placed on it, and everyone sang “Happy Birthday” to Jesus. The kids all received a gift, and the people just stayed and stayed, enjoying the food and fellowship. Sixty people were in attendance! We praise the Lord for giving us the opportunity to share the gospel with them. Pray for their souls, please!



Christmas at the Cochabamba Presbyterian Church plant Dec. 21, 2008. Sandra is the teacher of this Sunday school class.

Another blessing from the Lord was that we received permission from the community leaders in Larat'i to come there the night of Dec. 30 to present the *Jesus* film to the entire community. We met outdoors under a shelter at the school and more than 150 people attended. Some members from the Presbyterian Church plant in Cochabamba came with us as did some members of a group called Alfa and Omega who work with university students here. They brought a big screen and speakers and did a great job of setting up and showing the *Jesus* film, which is based on the Gospel of Luke. When the movie was over, the gospel was shared and the people were prayed for. After that, all the children were given packages of food and beverages to celebrate Christ's coming, as He promised, to bring salvation to many. Please pray for the souls of these needy people.



Quechua viewers of the Jesus film in Larat'i



Group picture of some in attendance in Larat'i. Carla is second from left on front row, and Rosie is last on the right on front row.

We also would ask you to be much in prayer for the country of Bolivia. There will be a national vote January 25 to approve or disapprove the new Constitution that has been drawn up by the party in power at this time. How the people vote on this will affect the political path of the country for many years to come. Please pray for God to show mercy to the people here and give them His help and wisdom in making their decision. Above all, we pray that His will be done.

We also pray for you and for ourselves that His perfect will be done in each of our lives during this year and all that follow; that we will remain confident that He is with us and will surely help us to persevere and walk by faith in Christ Jesus until He leads us right into our heavenly home.

Your friends in Christ,
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