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## ADAMS' MARCH 2009 UPDATE

**“And when I came to you, brethren, I did not come with superiority of speech or wisdom, proclaiming to you the testimony of God. For I am determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. And I was with you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. And my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God.”**

**1 Corinthians 2:1-5 (NASB)**

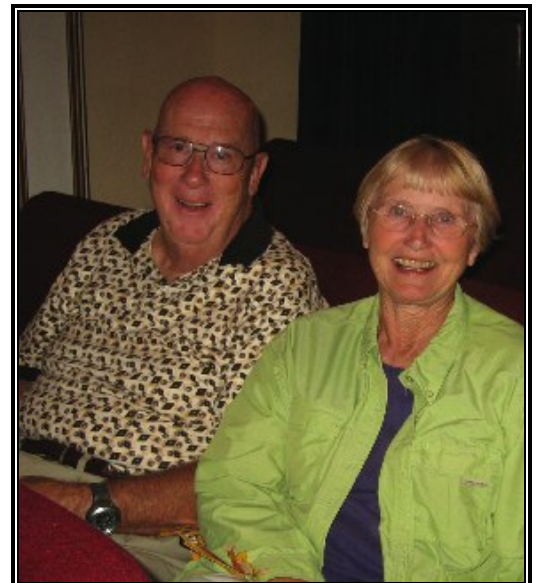
Dear Friends in Christ,

Each time that we write to you we just have to thank you for your many prayers. We are so desperately in need of them in our personal lives as well as in the lives of those to whom the Lord has called us to minister in His Name. We thank you also for your very faithful financial support that allows us to serve the Lord here and to have so much freedom from worldly cares. It also helps us to be able to make investments for eternity in the lives of many whom the Lord is effectually calling, justifying, sanctifying, and eventually glorifying. Your part in this investment for eternity is just as important as ours, and, in fact, is complimentary to it. We work together hand in hand although we live in many lands. That is all due to the greatness of our God!

We ask that you would pray for us the Scripture quoted above from 1 Corinthians. We always need to remember our place—the place of weakness and humility. We depend on God and His great power to work through us so that the people who hear our message will receive it as the very Word of God; His power will work mightily in them to transform their lives into the very image of Christ Jesus. We want their faith to truly rest on the power of God and not on the wisdom of men, which is really foolishness. Pray mightily for their faith to rest completely and solely on Christ Jesus. Only the power of God can do this, but He is willing and able in the day of His power.

The Lord be praised for His mighty acts among men! We praise Him for the increase in attendance at the Presbyterian church plant in Cochabamba. He has brought an average of 40 people to the worship services on Sunday mornings during the past month. That is a wonderful blessing! He is bringing us some who are searching for the truth and others who are looking for a church home. Thanks for praying for them.

We also have such a good location and facility in which to meet that others like to hold conferences there with us. We joined with the Cochabamba International Church at the end of January to hold a weekend conference on stewardship, presented by Dave and Dana Cadwell who are with Crown Ministries. In light of the worldwide financial crisis, it was a very timely topic, and was very well-attended (about 60 people) and well-received.



*Dave and Dana Cadwell*

We were also asked to join with a mission called Envoy for another weekend conference held in February that issued forth a call to churches to be missions-minded. It too was well attended, and many churches sent representatives. It gave clear teaching from the Word of God on the commands of the Lord to evangelize the lost and to disciple them in the Scriptures. It also taught the churches how to hold a missions conference and have a missions committee.

We have changed the nights for the Bible study in Larat'i from Tuesday to Monday in the hopes of getting more people to attend. Rene is still going with me there, and he is now teaching them in Quechua from the book of Exodus.



*The Envoy Conference in February*

The Bible study in Bella Vista continues with about 20-25 in attendance each Sunday evening. Little by little we are trusting that this powerful Word will penetrate the minds and hearts of many who come so that they will be the recipients of the Father's grace in Christ Jesus.



*Carla's 18<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration*

A big personal event for us was that on February 18<sup>th</sup> Carla celebrated her 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. We are so thankful for so many of you who have prayed regularly and fervently for Carla all these years. Please do not stop! God has answered so many prayers for her and for us over the years, and we do thank Him. Yet, we want Him to do even more in her life to make her like Jesus. We want Him to do the same for us. Our little granddaughter, Abby, also celebrated her 4<sup>th</sup> birthday on January 27 in Millbrook, Ala. We do miss her so, but ask your prayers for her and her family also.

Rosie has taken up watercolor painting from a very gifted lady who has moved here, and she is really enjoying that. She also works

hand in hand with Earl in the church and in the office. She is very organized, and that really helps to balance Earl out.

In this world of turmoil, instability, and growing fears, we who are the children of God do not have to be afraid. His peace is upon us. His love is evident and everlasting. He gives us joy in all circumstances. We are thankful for the order and balance that He brings into our lives. We are thankful to be serving Him here, and we thank you again for your partnership in the gospel, your friendship in Christ, your prayers, and your support. You are a great encouragement to us! May the Lord encourage all of our hearts.

In Christ Jesus,

*Earl, Rosie, and Carla*

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