

Dear Co-Laborers,

We praise and thank our Lord for the positive outcome and recovery of Amparito from her left eye cornea transplant and cataract surgery June 24th. Although it seems that her vision will probably takes several months to get back to normal. We did not realize that corneal transplants are generally done on one eye at a time. August 9th the surgeon authorized the scheduling of the cornea transplant on the right eye. But there were no dates available for this surgery until October 21st. So we opted to return to Bolivia August 15th and if finances allow we will return for the October 21st date. Please continue to pray with us for our Lord's direction and provision of the finances needed to cover this second cornea transplant.

Sister Juaquina Figueroa a very faithful elderly believer from the Tierras Nuevas Baptist Church. Is a fairly typical example of many church families that have been struggling thru this last year under the Covid- 19 situation. In the last few months she has lost her husband Pedro Padilla her oldest son Freddy along with his wife Ingrid. Freddy and Ingrid left behind two young boys, Johann 12 and Said 10. Also her younger brother Victor recently passed with Covid. Sister Juaquina will take an active part in helping raise these two grandchildren that are now orphans. We are encouraged greatly to see the spiritual maturity of this dear sister thru all her great loss. Truly only our Lord can give us peace and comfort in such moments of great loss.

With Covid still causing many deaths in most of Latin America we are not sure when most of our churches will go back to meeting normally. Our rural churches have been meeting normally since the beginning, but in the city, meetings have been mainly virtual until the last few Sunday morning services that have gone back to hybrid services that are combining normal meetings with virtual meetings simultaneously. We have seen many believers that would only meet on Sunday mornings pre-Covid, but are now online for daily prayer meetings at 6:00 am and also in the mid-week evening prayer meetings and bible studies. We are encouraged to see many believers maintaining fellowship online and meeting in small group home meetings. There are also many more who are sharing with other believers with health needs and with those who have lost their jobs due to the financial downturn in the economy.

The Bolivian political situation grows more critical each day. With more people being locked up by this Marxist government including the former president that is in a critical health situation. Liberties are also being curtailed almost every day at the same time we are just starting our annual cycle this month of august the indiscriminant burning of millions of acres of our forest promoted by the government backed people who have emptied out the Andean highlands to come down and slash and burn the tropical low lands. But apparently this not only is happening in third world countries like Bolivia but also in the former bastions of liberty like the United States! Truly the time of our Lord's return seems to be imminent. Luke 21:28*then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.* We are greatly encouraged that He is still on the Throne and in control of each and every situation.

Thank you once again for being our lifeline and co-partners in the needy harvest field of Bolivia.

Yours for souls,

Daniel & Amparito Brooks