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Dear praying partners,
August has definitely been a roller coaster for us. As you know we have been in the process of getting residency for over three years now. Normally it only takes a year. Pretty much every step of the way we have had an obstacle.
- At the beginning, our documents had trouble getting apostilled.
- A couple of years ago we had to fly to the States to fix an incorrect number on our marriage license, only to find out a couple of weeks ago it still isn't fixed in the system.
- About a month ago we were told by our lawyer that our file is closed because there has been no progress on it in the last year, and that we would have to leave the country by September 12th if we didn't have activity on our file. We were also told that we would have to restart the whole process from the beginning.

I spent most of August trying to fix our situation and prepare for the many possible outcomes. We found a new lawyer who has been working very diligently. Turns out our file is not closed and we just need to get a few more things done, but the deadline was looming as we tried to get those things done in time. We quickly realized that there was no way to get papers mailed between here and the States fast enough, and we were going to need an extension to stay in the country long enough to file those remaining documents. The problem was…we had been told by the immigration office that we were out of extensions and they would not give us another one. Fix it by the 12th or get out.

But God.

I am so grateful to be able to say that as of yesterday we have a 60-day extension – our own personal miracle. We should be able to continue the process while staying in Honduras and focusing on ministry. **Pray for us as we take the last few necessary steps to get our residency and that paperwork would not consume so much of our time going forward.**

As all of this was happening, Honduras' celebration of kid's day was on the horizon. Basically, it's the kid version of fathers or mother's day, where kids receive presents and candy, and it is a fantastic time for outreach. Our time for preparation was short since we were under the impression that we would probably be packing up our house this week, but we went forward on faith and so much has happened this week that I can't wait to share in our September prayer letter. We are excited for our last big "Kids' Day" outreach happening on Saturday the 12th, and ask you to pray that many would come and the gospel would be clear. Our hope is that we would take advantage of the opportunity and be able to show the love of God to the children in our area and their families.

We thank you for your prayers for us. We trust that God has plans for us for His good.

Serving Christ,

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