

THE CERNA FAMILY

MISSIONARIES IN EL SALVADOR

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Dear praying friends,

With much thankfulness to our Lord, we continue to inform you of some of the things that have happened over the past two months. The Lord continues to open doors as we: minister to other believers, witness to unbelievers, complete both versions of our book, and face trials that are normal to being in God's will.

The Lord deserves all the glory, as it has been almost exactly 20 years since we set foot (as missionaries) in Central America. We have been living for 17 years in the same city (Santa Ana). We thank the Lord for allowing us to preach His Word and seeing Him touch the hearts of others. Rolando Pacheco and Mauricio Martinez are the two men who have been with us the longest. They continue to be faithful to the Lord, as He has used them to witness to others and preach in church services. It is a privilege to continue as missionaries, looking forward to that which the Lord is going to do. Please pray that He would open doors for us to reach and train other faithful men and women.

One of the reasons we have been able to see some fruit is that we make it a point to go out and share Christ regularly with others. A few weeks ago, we talked to an older neighbor lady named Dolores. I had known her husband (Ricardo) for several years and had the privilege of witnessing to him on some occasions. Sadly, Ricardo died two years ago without ever making a profession of faith in Christ. Please pray that the Lord would open Dolores' heart and that she would be able to overcome the slavery of false religion by trusting in Christ as her Savior. Also, please pray for Armando to be born again. He is a young man that I witnessed to last weekend at the market. Though he listened intently to God's Word, and thanked me for having talked to him, he did not receive Christ.

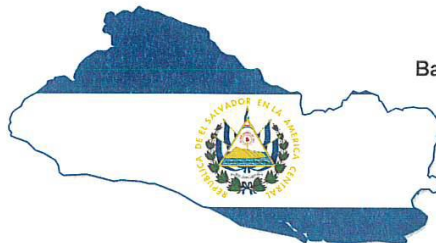
Just this past month, the Lord allowed us to finish writing both the English and Spanish versions of Luis Castro's biography. As of this moment, the book is in the process of being printed. If the Lord permits, we will obtain copies of the book in September. It is our desire to send a copy of this book to each one of our supporting churches. Do not be surprised if you receive it around the end of September. We are excited about the book, in large part because it gives us an opportunity to practice Hebrews 13:7. It is important to remember the lives of those whom God has used, and whose faith is worthy of imitating.

The new school year is upon us. Caleb is beginning his junior year of high school and Joshua is a freshman. Rosa is back at college, ready to begin her junior year. Please pray for our kids as they continue to prepare for their futures. We are glad that it is August and that July is over! July was a rough month for our family physically. Joshua became sick with high fevers. He spent over a month sick with daily fevers and weakness. We took him to a disease specialist repeatedly and completed every lab and test that she recommended. In the end, it seems he may have had a bacterial infection that finally was corrected with antibiotics. As Joshua began to improve, Christine had a rough week with Dengue fever. We thank God that we are all healthy now, and we pray for better months health-wise as we have had many struggles this year. We thank you for your faithful prayers.

Yours in Christ,
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