

the WHITE family

Missionaries to

BOLIVIA

April 2022

Great Start:

Well after waiting, planning, and even postponing for a week or two, we had our first church service. Like in the past, we started English classes ahead of our first service to get to know people in the community and invite them to church. We spent a couple weeks handing out invitations and then had our first English class on Saturday, the week before our first service. It is always a nerve racking time, with the English classes, because we never know how many people will really show up. If too many show up then we won't have space and would either have to turn people away or have to separate classes. If too little show up it would almost seem like a waste of time. We had close to eighty five people sign up the Saturday before, but many more kept contacting us through the week leading up to the first class. On that Saturday, we started out with probably twenty or thirty people so I was a little worried, but by the end of the class, the room that we have was almost full for the basic class and there were more than twenty in the advanced class with my wife Beth. The following Sunday, as we prepared for our first service, we had no idea what to expect. Although several told us they couldn't come, we had close to thirty people show up, the majority of which were adults. Then for our second service we had to work around our pedestrian day here because no cars are allowed out all day Sunday. What we decided to do was have service on Saturday right after our English classes to be able to invite them to stay. Praise the Lord we had around fifteen new people from the English classes that attended and many commented after that they really enjoyed it. Now we pray that we can follow up with many of them to help them take the next step in their lives.

Another New Arrival:

We are very excited about those who have come to help us in the work here, because there really is so much to do and so little time to do it. This past month we had Andrew that arrived and this month we are excited that Courtney Mathos has made to help in the ministry. She has now found a place to live and is getting set up while she waits on here paper work for residency to get done. We know that Courtney is going to be a great blessing as she helps Beth and the churches with their children and ladies ministries. Please pray for both her and Andrew that they can get their ID cards soon and then start the process to get their drivers licenses.

Back to Bible College:

This past month we also started the new trimester in our Bible college, the same week as the church. We are having five classes, including one that my wife is teaching on Women's Counseling. My class is one of my favorites that is called Homiletics, which is about teaching them the principles of how to prepare and preach messages. Through the years I have learned that if we just focus on the Word and helping people learn what it means and how it applies to their lives it can make a huge difference. Not only that but it make preaching both easier and exciting. It also takes the responsibility off of us and puts it on the Lord and His word to do the work which is the way it should be anyway. Please pray for these men and women that the Lord can use them greatly.

Prayer Requests:

1. Pray as we follow up with many who have visited the church.
2. Pray as we continue to seek to build relationships with those from English class.
3. Pray that we can be a light in the community where the new church is.
4. Pray for Andrew and Courtney as they get settled and begin working in the ministry.



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