

# the WHITE family

Missionaries to

**BOLIVIA**

**October 2024**

## **Consulting for Pastors:**

This past month we had our yearly Pastor's training time, where we attempt to provide continued training and preparation not only for the pastors that we work with but even other pastors here in our area. Once again, we had Bro. Bill Hill from ENW ministries, and a co-laborer with him, Bro. Rein Allweil, that came to teach. This year we had a little different format than past years; where instead of having five days of classes we had three days of classes and then three days of consultation. We scheduled an hour where each pastor could have time to ask any question necessary about their church and ministry to Bro. Bill and Bro. Rein. We originally thought that an hour we be sufficient for the meeting, but quickly found out it wasn't close to enough time. We realized that these pastors face many difficult situations in the ministry and often have no one to help or ask advice from, especially sound biblical advice. Many of these pastors were so discouraged to the point that they were considering leaving the ministry. Each one thanked us for the time and it was obvious that they were encouraged and reenergized. It is both a great encouragement to us and a burden when we have these times of training. A burden, because we see such a great need and pastors that are struggling, but encouraging because each time it helps them both spiritually and in their capacity to be successful in the ministry.

## **Pray for Those in Power:**

We have mentioned several times in our prayer requests to pray for our government here in Bolivia. Since we have been here, our government has been socialist and borderline communist. The longer these government officials have been in power the more they have moved towards controlling churches and religious activities. We have been working with a Christian lawyer here that is the president of the Evangelical association of Bolivia, and he has had to fight for the legal status of the mission that we belong to here to be legal in Bolivia. He asked for a meeting with the President and the President told the lawyer that he was atheist and had no interest in the concerns of the Christian people of Bolivia and walked out. So far, we have been able to continue doing ministry here, but fear that if things continue, it could become more and more difficult. This is why we have asked continually to pray for the government and especially the presidential elections they will have this coming year. As I mentioned, the longer they are in power the farther they advance towards anti church and religious policies. So, we would ask you to continue to pray for the churches and pastors here, our government, and the elections this coming year.

## **Prayer Requests:**

1. Pray for the pastors that we are training and seeking to help in the ministry.
2. Pray for our government and elections this coming year.
3. Pray for our upcoming missions emphasis next month.
4. Pray for the church and paper work that we are doing.



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