

# ROCK OF AGES MINISTRIES

*"For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord." II Corinthians 4:5*

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Greetings to our family and friends fighting the good fight of the faith! It is amazing that the Lord has allowed us to be here in Guatemala for 2 Christmases and 2 New Years now! Time flies when you're having fun and serving the Lord! There is a verse of scripture that we are keeping in mind as we pray for our supporting churches in 2019, just as the Lord prayed for Simon in **Luke 22:32**, "**that thy faith fail not**". It seems that, for the church, times are becoming harder and harder. We pray that God keeps each of our supporting churches filled with faith, and encourages you to keep pressing forward for the Glory of God! There is no time to slow down, back up, relax, or even rest, we **MUST** be about our Father's business, for the night is coming when no man shall work!

Since we have been back in Guatemala, we have stayed very busy serving our great God! We have continued to assist the 2 churches we were helping last year, and have also started assisting a new church plant about 15 minutes from our home. In the past 2 months we have knocked on doors of two villages. Around 95% of the people we talked to were raised in a Catholic background and are still a part of this hopeless religion. **We have seen 8 people saved during our time of soulwinning and evangelism!** We rejoice to know that HE is still saving souls through soulwinning and sharing of the true Gospel of Christ! Please continue to pray for this new church plant. We are asking the Lord to give us, and the veteran missionary, direction on this work as we continue to see souls saved! We are so thankful that as our Spanish gets better, we are able to communicate more and more with sinners concerning their need of salvation! The Lord has also given me a couple opportunities to go and preach for other missionaries serving in Guatemala! We are so thankful the Lord has opened doors! Whenever there are open doors, there are also adversaries ready to attack as in 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 16:9, however we choose not to write about them nor glorify them! We just ask that you would always pray for our family!

I am so thankful for the family God has entrusted me with! I am even more thankful for the God who gave them to me! On October 5<sup>th</sup> our Marlee Ann had surgery to repair her kidney reflux. Since the operation, she has not experienced pain or had any infections! Her bubbly independent personality is back, and we cannot thank the Lord enough for touching her body! Madelyn has now finished her first year of homeschool, and will be moving on to 1<sup>st</sup> grade soon! We have watched her become a very intelligent and determined girl! She has made us so proud and we know she gets her "smarts" from her momma! Jackson and Judson are also growing very fast! They just turned two



Madelyn making new friends here in Guatemala!

years old and continue to eat a lot...every second of the day! We have been so blessed with our wonderful kids! I am also grateful that I have a wife that joyfully is a "keeper at home". Without her, I wouldn't know how to function!

We are also excited to announce that we are moving into an ACTUAL HOUSE!! We are so excited to have a larger home where our kids can grow and play! I am thankful for the 1<sup>st</sup> ministry the Lord has given me, and that is the HILL BUNCH!

Thank you to all who have prayed for our family and continue to do so! We know that without the prayers of God's people we couldn't make it! Please continue to pray for us as we seek the Lord's direction about a specific place to plant the first "**Iglesia Bautista Bíblica**" (**Bible Baptist Church**)....we know it may be a little early to start thinking about, but it's never too early to start PRAYING ABOUT! God bless you Pastor, church, family, friends, and Keep on the Firing Line!

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