THE CERNA FAMILY

MISSIONARIES IN EL SALVADOR

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Dear praying friends,

It is always a special blessing to be able to share with you some of the things that the Lord has done these first two months of the year. By God's grace, we are as excited as ever to share the Gospel of Christ with the lost, and to edify believers with His Word. It is always a great privilege to serve the Lord as a family.

For this new year, the Lord has placed in our hearts the desire to improve in our witness to the lost. At the end of last year, in honor of the holidays, God opened doors for us to make treat baskets for many of our neighbors. We were able to give away baskets, even to those that have been extremely closed to the Gospel. One of these neighbors is Mario. I have known Mario for almost 20 years now. During this time, I have tried to witness to him on several occasions and, almost every time, he has gotten upset at me for even mentioning the Bible. In December, I went directly to his home and gave him a basket that he happily received. By God's grace, I was able to share Christ with him this past week and he did not get upset about it. Please pray that the Lord will continue to give us boldness to witness to our neighbors and that we will continue to bombard them with the love of Christ.

It is also a great blessing to serve the Lord at church. Please pray for the study of the Book of Luke and 1 Samuel that I will continue this year. We would love to see spiritual growth in our family, but also in our members. Our desire has always been to serve as a lighthouse for Christ in our city, country and the world. We continue to believe that this is what the Lord wants to do through us even despite the normal obstacles that arrive. Obviously, the only way for this to happen is to faithfully and dependently preach the Word of God.

Joshua taught Sunday School last week. Christine noticed that he was more comfortable and spoke with excitement as he taught. He is growing in his abilities to share God's Word in interesting ways. Rosa has gained a position of spiritual leadership at her college; a position that will allow her to serve and minister to the younger girls. Our son Caleb, 17 years-old, has many changes coming this summer. He will live in the USA with his grandmother so that he can work a job, begin saving for college, and serve in his local church. Please pray for our three kids, but especially Caleb as he has some big changes coming this summer. Thank you for praying for us.

Yours in Christ,
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