



the

Hart Family

Serving in Spain



To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me. Acts 26:18

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Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior,

Thank you for praying for Pedro and Juliana. Elias (Elijah) was born January 2. The first baby to be born this year in the hospital in Plasencia and the newest addition to our church.



We continue to work one on one with this couple in their new role as parents and also Christian counseling and are

encouraged to see their spiritual growth.

As we begin the new year we are excited with new opportunities that the Lord is opening up to us. One of the ladies in our group has been teaching an evangelical class in the public school for several years now. When she mentioned to her administrator that she had American friends that might be interested in helping teach English we were invited to meet with her. We are now allowed to enter into the public school which is an open door that we never dreamed of seeing. We go every Thursday morning for two and a half hours and have conversation classes with them. This is also an open door to get the Gospel out to them because they all want to know why we are in Plasencia and what do we do here. That is when we tell them about the Lord calling us here to minister and if allowed present a little bit more about our Savior.



This not only gives us opportunity to reach out to the

children but also gives us contact with the school staff, a group of adults that we otherwise would not have any contact with. We are anxious to see what the Lord has in store with this outreach.



Amparo, the administrator, and another teacher, have also asked

us to help their daughters practice their English. Jenny and Hillary (our co-worker) hold English conversation classes on Tuesday evenings and hope to be able to use this as an avenue to reach more people with the Gospel here as well. While the goal of many people is to learn English ours is to win Amparo and her family to Christ.

CHURCH NEWS: We have rewritten the Articles of Faith and the church Constitution. The new documents are more specific and detailed to give those who desire to join a clear understanding of what we believe and teach. This has raised some discussion among our group that we did not anticipate. Questions over security of salvation, the use of sign gifts, and what is next on God's calendar.

We are pleased that when we present what the Bible clearly teaches on these issues that most of the time they readily accept it and we move on. There have been a couple of times though that we have met resistance. When this arises we have seen the power of prayer do what we cannot and praise God for His continuing intervention and guidance.

In January Jenny and Hillary started up a monthly ladies meeting. The first one in January was well attended by several ladies from the church. Last month a couple neighbor ladies attended. We are still in the early stages and are trying to find the day of the week and hour that best works for everyone. Our goal is to provide a time of fellowship for the ladies at the church as well as a short devotional that will be helpful to the ladies.

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Yesterday (March 13) we went with Vicente and Maria to see the town where he grew up and where his mother and sister still lives. It is about a 45 minute drive through some scenic countryside. In some places the hills are covered with olive trees wherever there is space to plant them. In the town of Caminomarisco where his mother lives, they have the Guinness Book of Word Record for harvesting the most olives in a day. His sister also lives there and she and her husband, Jesus, own and operate the Panaderia. The panaderia is the bakery where they bake and sell bread every day for the entire town.

Vicente owns a house in Caminomarisco and his desire is to someday have a ministry there in the basement of his old home. His mother, who is 87, professes to be saved. There are one or two more in the town that are also saved and another lady from a neighboring town that we know would come also. The town is fairly small and could not support a church on it's own but in the future we plan to start some type of services there either on Saturday or maybe Sunday evening.

The opportunities here are plentiful and the laborers are few. We continually pray that God would send us more people to help reach out to a multitude of unreached people here in Spain.

In our last prayer letter we mentioned our daughter Sarah's financial need for her college tuition at Ambassador Baptist college. We rejoice in the way that God provided for her last month and know that He will continue to provide for her. She feels she is just where God wants her to be and she has made every effort possible to encounter work, even with the school there, but has not been able to. She said that God knows her needs and she is content to live by faith and see just how God daily takes care of her. All her growing up years she has seen first hand in our family how God meets our daily needs in miraculous ways and she is content to live her life by faith also. We rejoice in what God is doing in her life.

Our oldest daughter Beth had her first kidney stone last month. The blessing out of that is that on her way to work she called us and we told her to talk to her doctor which works at the clinic she works at. He ran some tests on her (CT scan) quickly and gave her a pain shot which allowed her to relax enough that unbeknownst to her she passed the stone easily and without pain in the same day and though in pain was able to return to work the next day. We are thrilled that she did not have to suffer as most do.

Jenny also went to the foot doctor finally. Long story short is that she has Metatarsalgia and is now wearing her new orthotics. This has made some improvement in the pain but she still has a long way to go.

Thank you for your faithfulness in praying and financially supporting the ministry here in Spain. We thank the Lord for your burden for souls and desire to be part of our ministry here in Plasencia.

Prayer Requests

- Our daughter Sarah's financial need for college this semester at Ambassador Baptist
- Salvation for Amparo, the director of the school we are teaching at, and her family.
- New future prospect pueblo for ministry.

Praises:

- The safe delivery of Elias, the son of Pedro and Juliana
- God's provision for Sarah's last month college tuition
- God's faithfulness in meeting each of our needs

In His Service,

Tony, Jenny and Josiah