



February 2024 Prayer Letter

Praises:

- **Hermi, the mom of one of our young men, visited church.**
- **Youth meetings have resumed.**
- **Matthew is doing well in trade school.**

Prayer Requests:

- **Salvation of young people coming to youth outreaches and that more parents would visit.**
- **Wisdom for Amelia for her future.**
- **Continued safety for Matthew at school.**

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Dear Friends and Family,

Greetings from Paraguay. We trust that each of you have had a great start to a new year in which to serve our Lord.

The church work is going well, and we look forward to celebrating our second anniversary in April. Our youth meetings have resumed after a break due to school vacations which led to most people traveling. We were so excited to have the mother of one of our young men attend a Sunday morning service recently. Hermi said it is her son's faithfulness that prompted her to accept his invitation to church. Please pray she will return to church and that other parents will also be moved to visit.

Next week, Jim will be visiting the country of Suriname in the north of South America. Our sending pastor has asked him to visit a missionary to gather information about a large evangelistic effort our church and some others would like to undertake there. Our girls are a little jealous that he will be going to a new country without them.

Matthew is excelling in his schooling to become an electrical lineman. Thank you for those who have prayed for him. There is not enough room in this letter to detail all that his traveling to Georgia entailed, but it certainly kept us praying much due to many stressful moments along the way. The Lord protected and provided people to help when needed, as well. It has been such a blessing to us to see how much Matthew is enjoying what he is learning. We look forward to seeing where the Lord leads him after his graduation in April.

Amelia is a high school senior. As of right now, she plans on staying with us here in Paraguay until our next furlough in late 2025. Please pray that she would discern the Lord's direction for her next steps in life. It is hard to believe that Sophia turns 14 this Thursday. She is learning piano and the traditional folklore dance of Paraguay, including dancing with bottles on the head. We are thankful for both of our girls and their involvement in the ministry with us.

Your Missionaries,

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