



A Season in Paraguay

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The Joy in Waiting

It is that time of year again. The streets and stores are busy with people rushing around to buy gifts and prepare for parties. Homes are decorated with bright colors and twinkling lights. The radio stations are playing holiday songs. Even with the strange Virginia temperatures (it is 78 today), it is evident that there is an excitement in the air.

Christmas is coming! For many there is a joyous anticipation. For others it is just a stressful and busy time of year that needs to be endured. Even as Christians, we can get caught up in the stress of the season and forget to delight in the celebration of the miraculous birth of our Lord and Savior. This can also be related to the seasons of our lives.

As our time here in the States began to stretch out much longer than we desired, we were definitely getting stressed and discouraged. We started to focus more on what was not happening than enjoying the way that God was working in our lives.

We felt strongly that we were facing a spiritual battle, so decided to do a 2 week period of praying and fasting. Our fast was to end on Sunday, September 9th, the day of our pot-luck at our church. We

were asking God to show us His will for our time here and to open up the hearts of people for Paraguay.

On Friday, September 7th, we received an email from a friend telling us that every time she prayed for us that she got an overwhelming sense that God had a purpose for keeping us in the States. The message was that we were not to go unprepared, but filled with more of the power of the Holy Spirit.

That same day we met a group of believers at a church booth at a local festival. They invited us to a home group meeting that night in Hampton. We went to that meeting, and the first thing they started talking about was the power of the Holy Spirit. They then laid hands on us and prayed for us. It was definitely a divine appointment!

Since then God has been showing us that we are indeed in a time of spiritual preparation. Even now we can tell that we are not the same as when we left Costa Rica. We are once again delighting in our Lord Jesus Christ and are in joyous anticipation of our season in Paraguay.

As we have been growing spiritually, our financial support has also been growing! Please read on for more details.

Support Update

As of our last newsletter we had **36%** of our monthly support in pledges and only **\$5000** in our account. In order to buy our tickets we need at least **80%** in pledges and **\$17000** in our account to cover launching funds and 3 months in Paraguay.

In October we were blessed to discover that **\$12000** had been given to our account in one-time gifts. Miraculously, that is at least 4 times more than we have ever received in one month. Even better than that, it put our account at exactly where it needs to be!

Another big praise is that we now have **60%** of our monthly support in pledges.

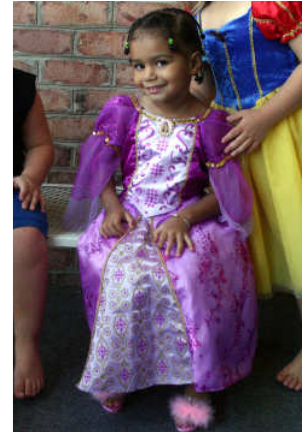
Thank you to those who are partnering with us in prayers and finances. You are a great source of encouragement.

We trust that as God continues to prepare us spiritually that He is also preparing the hearts of more churches and individuals to join with us.

A Special Thank You: to the office staff of New Town UMC for helping with the printing and mailing of this newsletter.

Cora Turns 3

Yes, it's true. Our baby is not a baby anymore. As of October 10th, Cora became a feisty 3 year old. Below is a picture of her dressed as a princess for her birthday party.



Please Keep in Touch

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“There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven.”
Ecclesiastes 3:1

Would You Like to Help?

Is God leading you to support us through a monthly pledge or one time gift?
Please make checks out to “**The Mission Society**” with “**Paige Support 5/480**” in the memo line. All donations are tax deductible.

Send to:
The Mission Society
P.O. Box 922637
Norcross, GA





The Paige's Prayer Page

Praises

- We praise God every day for the blessing He has given us through Cora.
- We are thankful for the way God is working in the lives of our family and friends.
- We thank God for the opportunity to expand our friendships and share His word with people across the continents.
- We thank God for our partners in ministry.

Prayer Requests

- Pray for cohesiveness in our marriage in all things.
- Pray that our monthly support will be totally covered by pledges so that we can leave for Paraguay.
- Pray for wisdom in discerning God's will for our lives.
- Pray for Cora's continued good health and development.
- Pray for our language acquisition.
- Pray for our spiritual and physical safety.
- Pray for the people and the ministries of Paraguay.

Our ministry is not only for the people of Paraguay, but for our partners as well. We are truly blessed by your prayers and financial support, and would like to share in your joys and concerns. Please write or email us.