

Dear Friends and Family,

December 2016

As we finish off 2016, it is a special time to stop and reflect on all the amazing blessings that have impacted us throughout this year, along with the moments of challenge and growth that have provided opportunities to shine the reality that we have Emanuel "God with us". With Christmas Day falling on a Sunday this year, we celebrated with a Christmas Merienda (snack time) at church. We gathered together around a table and shared about the reason for the celebration. Now as we look forward into 2017 as a church, we are focusing on "Who we are", "Where we are going", and "How we are going to get there". Please pray for the group that faithfully gathers in Tafalla as we seek God's vision for this next phase of ministry in the community.



On the horizon, we have some special outreaches approaching-

- The kids are quick to remind us that camp is almost here! (The term "almost" is relative but many in Tafalla are starting to ask about sign ups). Please pray for the details of the three weeks of camp for this summer and for the sign-ups which begin February 1.
- In January, we will be having a meeting in the church building to present the concept of the teen trip to the States. This activity we have labeled as a "reverse missions trip" as the teens go to spend a month to live with a Christian family and participate in an Evangelical church. We are praying that the Lord would raise up both the teens and the host families that He wants for this experience. If you would like more information about getting involved in this ministry please let us know.

Also pray for the various people who we are in contact with who are walking through a difficult stretch of their journey-

- Eli: The mother in Tafalla whose daughter (8 years old) recently passed away.
- Fernando, Gisela, and Liliana (15): neighbors of ours in Artajona. Fernando was involved in a serious motorcycle accident in October and is currently in rehab in a city about 5 hours from here. The doctors are not sure that he will be able to walk again or how long he will be in rehab. Liliana comes over to hang out here with us some and went with us to Tafalla for the Christmas Merienda.
- Yeison and his three daughters: This family we have not met directly and they live in San Sebastian, but I have been in contact with him as his family has gone through a loss due to cancer. Yeison's wife went to be with the Lord in October, and he is left caring for three daughters ranging from 7 – 12 years old. Please pray for them as they seek the Lord and face all the details of their new reality.

Thank you for your prayers and your love for the people of Spain.

With our love in Christ,

Dan and Sharon for the family

