

# *August Prayer Letter*

Dear Family and Friends,

We pray that God has protected you in these difficult times. Here in Fraga, we have continued in a soft quarantine. There have been many new COVID cases around here, and our local government asked people to remain at home. It is weird to think that Wesley was born at the beginning of all this, and he is 5 months old now.

Our ministry in Fraga is on standby. We had been renting an office to begin Bible studies, but we made the decision to end the contract. We will keep our eyes open for another place when it becomes useful again to have one. God has a better location for us—I'm sure.

With all the health and safety limitations in place, we have had a harder time interacting with people. People are wary of you even if they know you. The few people I have talked with foresee a very difficult and hopeless future once September arrives. In Spain, everything stagnates in August.

I have had opportunities to minister to volunteers and people online through the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. It has been a blessing to continue to

share the gospel and interact with people in that way. I also have been connecting with two ministries that are dedicated to promoting church planting and the training of church planters. I am investigating how we can get involved with them here in Spain.

During July and August, I have been volunteering with the Red Cross in a temporary homeless shelter in town. I've had conversations with other volunteers there about our purpose here and about the gospel. The question I get the most is: "What is the difference between what you believe and the Catholic church?" Pray for open and soft hearts!



The homeless shelter is set up to accommodate for social distancing.



Donovan got to participate in a day camp in Fraga.

## Prayer Points

- Job transition to another academy that allows me to have more days for ministry.
- Ministry opportunities in town.
- Church planting class I will teach this fall at IBSTE (a Seminary near Barcelona).
- Travel safety: Maddy is planning to travel to the US for her grandfather's memorial service in September. Wesley will go with her. Donovan, Nathan, and I will remain in Spain.

We are thinking of ideas of what our ministry will look like in the next couple of months. I have recently seen some leaders quote 2 Chronicles 20:12: “*We don’t know what to do, but our eyes are on you.*” We truly don’t know yet what could help us connect with more people. However, we do know to keep praying for the people in Fraga, pour into gospel conversations, and intentionally show love to those around us.

Only God gives true hope for the future through His Son Jesus Christ.

All for Jesus!

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