

August Prayer Letter

Dear Friends,

We have had a whirlwind of a summer and we have some exciting news to share with you—we have moved! We are still in Fraga, Spain, and our desire still is to establish a church here that would impact our community and those villages around us that have no gospel witness.

We have been looking for a while for a new home that would be more suitable to our family's needs, and we have been praying and trusting God that He would provide in His perfect timing, even when we start to feel impatient. The market here is very small and slow, and some options we thought we could make work fell through. But that was because God had something else in store for us! In June we found this house, and God has been helping us through the process of moving. July was crazy busy trying to clean and fix up the place enough to move in. We have been blessed by the help of my friend Alberto and his father Miguel who know a lot about repairing an old house and have spent many hours helping us. During this time, I have been able to establish a relationship with Miguel, who has been let down by a number of pastors in the past. I have been able to learn a lot by spending time with him and being more aware of the church history in the area will be helpful for our ministry.

We have had many people offer help with moving, fixing things, pruning trees, etc. These are people that I have been trying to spend more time with before so we can have spiritual conversations, and they have said “now that you have a house, we have to get together sometime...” Some people now feel more comfortable coming to our house since it has outdoor space. I have already had some interesting conversations with a parent of a student and with someone that came to look for some furniture.

Since the payment will be cheaper than the rent we were paying, we will hopefully have some funds we can use towards the renting of a place where we can have regular Bible studies, church services, offer Christian counseling, and also use for teaching English classes. We are looking into a meeting place for our small but hopefully soon growing congregation. I have had a few people told me that they believe that if we had a “church”, more people would come. We are still looking and praying for the best location, but Lord willing and just like with this house, He will have the right place for us to use by the end of September.

Prayer Points

- Transition from online to in-person Bible Studies in a more *permanent* location
- Spiritual conversations with all the people who have shown interest and curiosity about our purpose here. That God would continue to soften their hearts and give us the words to share.

- Finding the right balance for work, ministry, and home life with God always in the center. I have transitioned back into a volunteer position for the Red Cross, and while I have continued some English classes over the summer, I must soon begin preparing for the new school year.

It has been awesome to see God answer this prayer for our family and how He has strengthened our relationships with people. We look forward to seeing Him grow our ministry from here.

All for Jesus!

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