

The McRae Chronicle

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Thanksgiving

Happy Thanksgiving and Christmas! We ended up in Arizona for Thanksgiving, and very much enjoyed spending a few days with family that we hadn't caught up with in quite some time. The children enjoyed hiking in the Chiricuhua mountains, and were more than thrilled to get a tour of the *actual* Ethnos 360 hangar. (emphasis theirs) Uncle Ace Glidewell gave them lots of information about flying planes and helicopters, and they even got to take turns sitting in one of the planes that has been used to reach remote mission fields. The Thanksgiving meal was a special time together with the Glidewells, too!



All of the family: McRaes & Glidewells

Local Ministries

Church ministries are continuing as expected, with AWANA finishing up for the semester, and helping with music on Sundays. Kara helped put together a Ladies' Retreat, and Nathaniel taught a series on Jewish holidays for Adult Sunday School. We are so grateful to be part of a body where we can contribute in these ways. With the semester wrapping up, Nathaniel's class at the Bible school will be finished, as well. We are looking forward to the holiday break.

Kara has continued doing devos for the girls at FSB. The topic of her devos this year is "Treasures of the Heart." It is such a great way to get to know the girls and build relationships with them.



Learning about airplanes at Ethnos Aviation

TBM

Over the past couple of months, the family has been helping to paint the walls of the offices and lay new carpet throughout the home office.

We have also had several more Get Cultured nights spotlighting: Chad, Peru, and Trinidad. It is a delight to see the students ask so many questions about these different countries.

Peru

Nathaniel will be leaving on January 8, to travel to Peru. The training materials that he has been writing are finally going to the field! While this is an exciting step, it also makes us realize how this is just the first step in a long process of development. The TBM team is now writing a complete computer program as an interface for the materials. We hope this will ease both adaptation and transmission of the courses we have been writing. Please pray that the trip would be useful for our home office crew as well as our missionaries in Peru. We are hoping that the feedback and input we get will drive the project forward and help us to create better tools for our church planters.

For more information about our mission and project, visit:

https://tentmakersbiblemission.org/?tbm_missionaries=nathaniel-and-kara-mcrae-2

Family News

There have been some new developments with the children. Juliana got her driver's permit this fall. It has been an interesting experience teaching one of our children to drive. She's doing a great job, and so are mom and dad. 😊



The children are always so helpful to us in different ways. They help clean up after events, find something to do when we need to talk to someone, and find ways to serve those around them. We have always viewed ministry as a family effort, and it's exciting to watch them grow up listening to missionaries and learning how to

serve first-hand. They were excited to help with our annual Christmas baking, and delivered plates of goodies to several people in our area.

Logan, one of the girls from FSB, helping us bake

The children made lots of cookies and peanut butter balls.



The children by our Christmas tree they decorated



Please Pray with Us!

- **Praise God for a fruitful semester at church and school!**
- **Praise God for the holidays and the people with whom he allows us to share them!**
- **Pray with us for our trust in God regarding housing.**
- **Pray for our family, and marriage, that we would grow in the areas God has for us.**
- **Pray for the upcoming trip to Peru: That the trip will accomplish all of God's goals, and that the three weeks apart will not be too hard for the family.**
- **Pray for the current conflict in Israel, that God's will would be done, and that there would be peace in Jerusalem.**

Thank you so much for all of your prayers and support! We are enjoying getting your Christmas cards. We love hearing from all of you. Have a wonderful Christmas!

Serving with you,

Nathaniel, Kara,
Juliana, Ariana, Cassandra,
and Grant M^cRae



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