



***Greetings in the Precious, Matchless Name of Jesus,***

Truly, “there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved” (Acts 4:12).

Simon Peter answered Him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have words of eternal life” (John 6:68).

My mother, who is experiencing severe health decline often calls on Jesus! Recently as I was visiting, her Hospice nurse came to give her a bath, and my mom told her, “I’m praying for your baby daughter to know Jesus in a personal way!”

How sweet to ponder these truths and to find such strength, courage, and comfort in Jesus! And what an undeserved privilege to know Him in a personal way! And what an undeserved privilege to be able to help make Him known to others in a personal way!

Proverbs 3:5-6, is surely well known to us all, “Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.” For years we have recited this verse as a family at our lunch meal. We have often told our children that our job is to “trust the Lord with all our heart and acknowledge Him in all our ways”, and His job is to “direct our paths”! This year as we have sought to trust the Lord with all our heart and acknowledge Him in all our ways, He has led our family paths into lots of “traveling”, unlike any other year!

Our last prayer letter was in March, so I’ll update you from there...

In April, our son Jeremy and his wife, Andrea, and their son, Leandro, visited us and shared the exciting news of a baby on the way! Our twelfth grandchild is due in October!

Also in April, we delighted in the visit of a ministry team from Cow Creek Community Church. This group was led by Ben Abrahamson, who was the very first intern that MEDA hosted about 18 years ago! He was around 18 or 19 at that time... now he is married, has children, and serves as an elder in his church!

In May, almost all of our family traveled to Florida for a weekend for Jeremy's graduation from law school! Even Carlos' parents got to travel with us! It happened to be Mother's Day weekend, so it was a special treat to be with all of my children on Mother's Day!



Jeremy's Graduation from Law School

Also in May, our son, Jonathan led a short-term ministry team from his church, Calvary Memorial, to serve alongside us here in Honduras! A highlight of that time together was the celebration of the 24th anniversary of our church, Iglesia Bautista Betania!



Jonathan Preaching at Betania's Anniversary Service

June brought the blessing of a visit from our daughter, Leslie, and her

husband, Luke, and their son, Theo, as Luke led a ministry team from their church, Twin City Bible Church!



Luke Preaching at Betania's Youth Camp

The summer months also brought the blessing of four other ministry teams from our supporting churches, Bible Church of Little Rock, from Arkansas, Grace Community Church of Jacksonville, Florida, Kindred Community Church of Anaheim, California, and New Hope Bible Church from Nampa, Idaho.

Each and every ministry team serves in unique and different ways, but they all serve to encourage us and to help us share the gospel of Jesus! Only eternity will fully reveal the fruitfulness of these travels, but we are beyond blessed by our supporting churches and the teams they send to serve with us! It's so sweet to build relationships with brothers and sisters in Christ from so many different places!

June also involved Carlos traveling to Jupiter, Florida for 10 days of class for his doctorate of pastoral theology program at The Expositors Seminary! It is an understatement to say "he loved every minute" of this opportunity!



TES Doctoral Students

July brought travels to the States for our daughters, Sara, Abi, and myself to visit and honor my parents and to help our daughter, Marcy and her husband, Ryan, as they welcomed their first-born son, Peter, on July 24! What a privilege and joy to get to be the “older woman” teaching my “younger woman” daughter in this sweet new season of motherhood! I’m so thankful to the Lord for these treasured travels.



Ryan, Marcy and Baby Peter

In August, Carlos traveled to join me in the States for a week! He met Peter and we had sweet visits with my parents and our children and

grandchildren! We got to celebrate my dad's 89th birthday! And Carlos got to preach for Missions Sunday at Twin City Bible Church! What a week!



Carlos Preaching at Twin City Bible Church

Today I will be traveling to NC again for two weeks to help our daughter, Leslie, and her husband, Luke, as they welcome their second child, Lilliana! This will also provide more visiting time with my parents.

Carlos plans to be in Colombia for a few days for The Master's Academy International Summit meetings for the Spanish region! What great things the Lord has done through Pastor John MacArthur's ministry and The Master's Seminary! Truly a worldwide reach! To God be the glory!

In October, we anticipate travels for Carlos as he participates in preaching for two conferences at a sister seminary site in Mexico and then at a supporting church in California. Our daughter, Kimberly, and her husband, Edwin, will be traveling with him as Edwin will also be preaching! I have the joy of caring for my four Zelaya "grands"!

We eagerly anticipate visits from Marcy and Leslie and their families the end of October as they travel to Honduras for the wedding of a close childhood friend!

Finally, on October 27, Carlos and I need to travel to Florida for Carlos to undergo surgery to remove a large thyroid nodule that was discovered in June. After that procedure, Lord willing, we plan to visit Jeremy and his family there in Florida to welcome their new baby, Natalia!

I plan to stay to help a couple of weeks, and Carlos will return for the final seminary module of the year! It's always his favorite module, when the men who are graduating preach a series of sermons! He will listen to and evaluate a lot of sermons! The culmination of four years of arduous studies for these students!

All these travels this year were quite unexpected to us, but not to God! How incredible to contemplate that He has ordained our days before there was yet one of them (Psalm 139:16).

In the midst of all these travels, we definitely are trying to trust the Lord with all our heart and acknowledge Him in all our ways, trusting Him to direct our paths ... in our family and the ministries we hold so dear with our local church, Iglesia Bautista Betania, and SEPE (The Seminary for Expository Preaching).

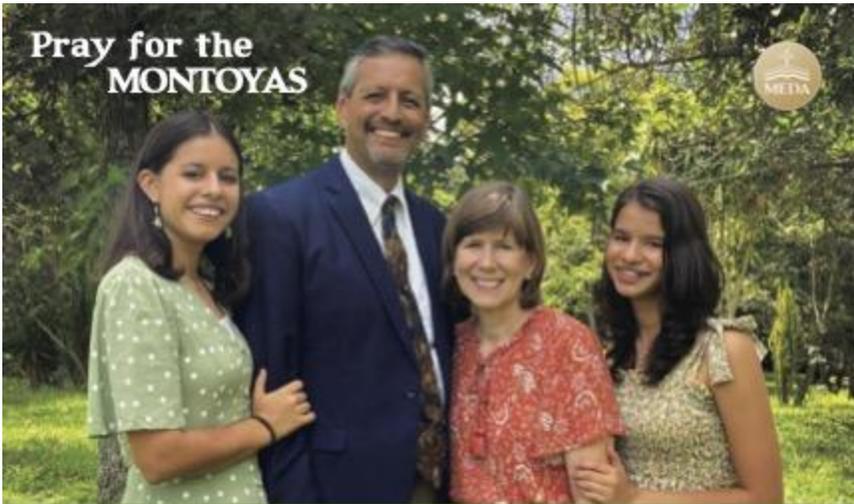
We desperately desire your prayers on our behalf! This is the greatest way anyone can support us! We thank you for sharing in our lives and ministry in this strategic way!

It's our privilege to pray for you too! Please share with us how you are living out Proverbs 3:5-6. How are you learning to trust the Lord and acknowledge Him? How is He directing your paths?

Psalm 23:3 says, "He leads us in paths of righteousness for His name's sake." This is all about Him! May our Lord be praised!

For His name's sake,  
Lori, for the Montoyas

# Pray for the MONTOYAS



## TRAINING PASTORS, STRENGTHENING CHURCHES

For more than 20 years, the Montoyas have served the Lord in the country of Honduras. Carlos is the President of *MEDA* in the city of Siguatepeque, a ministry that serves all Latin America, offering an M. Div. degree through the *Seminary for Expository Preaching* (SEPE).

He is also an elder at *Betania Baptist Church*, preaching and teaching regularly. Lori cares for the family and serves in hospitality and ministries with women and children. Carlos and Lori have 7 children, 2 still at home (Sara and Abi) and 6 grandchildren.

Above all, we desire your faithful prayers, but if you would like to contribute to our ministry either by a one-time gift or monthly support, please send checks designated:

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