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## December 2018

# Happy New Year from the Maness Family!

### Opportunity to share the gospel and preach several times

At the beginning of the month my two sons and I visited several hours north of Córdoba in the city of Tucuman. We were invited to come so I could preach the closing service for the graduation of their seminary. Along with that opportunity to share the gospel with the students and their families, some of whom I was told were unsaved, I also was blessed to preach the gospel 4 other times during that weekend. One time was to a group of over 20 soul winners whose excitement was contagious as we joined them to go knock on doors in the rain! Then that evening at their youth meeting was another opportunity. Then yet again we were blessed by opportunities that following Sunday morning as we visited another church about an hour from the city and then that evening when we returned to the host church. There were two things that this church did very well that stood out in my mind. One was dedicated soul winning and compassion for the lost, the second being a church devoted to many hours of prayer.



### You're not a Jehovah Witness, are you?

This was what a person asked before we could come into the hospital room to share the gospel. It seems that many people had been confronted with Jehovah Witnesses in the past. The majority we spoke with ultimately did not care for their version of salvation. Others tried their religion but were turned off by their message. But one lady in the hospital this month was very receptive to hearing the true gospel. As a result of the Jehovah Witnesses talking to her in the past and the differences in the official Catholic religion here, she was very confused. She listened very carefully, but was not at the point of making a decision. We gave her a New Testament and some gospel tracks to investigate further. Pray for her, Her name is Noellia.

### Many challenges but God encourages us!

I don't know how to write on one page all of the things that are difficult and discouraging at times in learning to minister cross-culturally. We appreciate your constant prayers for us! Please remember us on a daily basis! Remember that even when you feel all alone, you are never all alone! God is very near and is very good!

### Learning to talk, all over again!

This is the kind of stuff a lot of people like to hear about: Missionary language blunders! I do not want to disappoint, I had a few this month.

1. I was preaching in the hospital and invented a new plague over Egypt: the plague of tree branches. Frogs = Ranas Branches = Ramas
2. I had realized that for the last seven months, I had been using the wrong word for Ginger. The correct word in Spanish for Ginger is Jengibre or sometimes spelled Gengibre. I had been saying Ginebra which is Gin. Kind of a funny request for a Baptist preacher to ask for in a vegetable store!

**You must be willing to laugh at your mistakes and have grace and mercy on yourself when you are learning!**

Again thank you for your prayers!

**"How Can We Help?"  
One Time Project Needs**

- **Emergency Fund Goal: \$6,000**
- **Language School Expenses: \$800 per month**
- **Future Vehicle Fund: TBA**  
(Our goal is to purchase a family vehicle in about a year and a half.)

**Thank you for your prayers and support!**

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### Thoughts from Stacie:

#### Christmas in Summer

I want to start off by thanking all of you that sent offerings towards our Christmas this year. Because of your love and generosity we were able to buy gifts and create an almost normal Christmas for the kids. I say "almost" normal because some cultural things like Christmas in Summer and Tutty Frutty Flavored "peppermints" just can't be helped! However we did get the biggest Christmas tree we could find and real looking stockings! And we were also able to surprise the kids with a light up star and candy canes on our tree Christmas Eve! Scott and I looked all over the city for a "real" star and candy canes and finally found them just in time for Christmas.



#### Wrist Update

Scott removed my cast according to doctor's orders a few days before my birthday. I was so happy to be able to get some relief from it but then I was faced with the reality of not being able to use that arm. Since it was so close to Christmas I wasn't able to get an appointment with the hospital's therapists. But God knows our needs and provided in an unexpected way. There was a physical therapist at one of the churches we visited who hearing of my trouble getting an appointment immediately scheduled me in for the very next day. It was a true blessing and answer to many prayers. Never underestimate the power of prayer! "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." Keep on praying! God is listening!

# December 2018 Financial Statement

## Total Offerings from Sending Church and Supporting Churches

Florence St. BC	Broken Arrow, OK	\$125.00
Inwood MBC	Inwood, WV	\$100.00
Piney Grove BC	Somerset, KY	\$100.00
Brazos St BC	Lockhart, TX	\$50.00
Gum Springs MBC	Price, TX	\$50.00
County Line MBC	Timpson, TX	\$30.00
County Line MBC	Timpson, TX	\$30.00
Landmark MBC	Athens, TX	\$100.00
Landmark MBC	Athens, TX	\$100.00
Sublett Road BC	Arlington, TX	\$100.00
Sublett Road BC	Arlington, TX	\$100.00
Sublett Road BC	Arlington, TX	\$50.00
Grandview BC	Henderson, TX	\$50.00
Bethel MBC	New Orleans, LA	\$25.00
Nevills Chapel BC	Mt Pleasant, TX	\$1,200.00
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Nevills Chapel BC	Mt Pleasant, TX	\$372.90
58th Ave MBC	Amarillo, TX	\$63.02
Beulah BC	Lithia, FL	\$125.00
Skyline MBC	Madison, AL	\$120.00
Landmark MBC	Farmington, NM	\$100.97
Bethel MBC	Sterling Heights, MI	\$100.00
Pinehaven BC	Pensacola, FL	\$50.00
Landmark MBC	Bogata, TX	\$25.00
Westwood MBC	Winterhaven, FL	\$50.00
Twinland BC	Houston, TX	\$183.66
New Shady Grove BC	Carthage, TX	\$344.32
Faith BC	North Little Rock, AR	\$150.00
Eastside BC	Jacksonville, TX	\$50.00
Cleveland MBC	Cleveland, TX	\$100.00
First BC	Ranson, WV	\$207.79
Rocky Branch MBC	Naples, TX	\$125.00
Walnut St BC	Hillboro, TX	\$50.00



Pray for the People that we talk to in the Hospitals!



Waiting for the Bus!



On the Bus!



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## Special Christmas Personal Offerings

### Thank you!

\$100 from Landmark MBC in Farmington, NM

\$500 from Nevill's Chapel MBC

\$250 from Victory MBC in Russellville, AR

\$100 from Glenn and Mickey Griffith

\$150 from Leo and Mary Kinsey

A special thank you to Oak Grove BC in Broken Bow, OK for their Christmas love offering received last month of \$1,000

## Total Expenses for the month of December

- Transportation Expenses
  - Bus = \$26.50
  - Taxi = \$45.58
- Housing Expenses = \$546.08
- Miscellaneous Expenses
  - Health Insurance = \$495
  - Life Insurance = \$79.29
  - Language School = \$416.65
  - Phone/Internet = \$21.65

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