



# Please Pray for The Maness Family

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## Missionaries to Argentina

### September 2021

**We made it safely back to the US!  
Thank you for praying!**

We are very thankful for your prayers as we travelled! We would not have made it had it not been for God's people praying!

### A large to-do list

We have already crossed off at least 11 important things off our list in the first week and a half of being back. Pray for us that we will be able to find a time to rest.



### Faith-Promise conference and a great conversation

It was a great blessing to be invited out to West Monroe, Louisiana by Hyde Park Baptist Church for their faith promise conference. The whole time spent there was a tremendous blessing to us. What a blessing to have a time to be with God's people! Please pray for a lady that we spoke with on our last night in West Monroe. We were recommended a Mexican restaurant in town to eat on Sunday night. We spoke with the waitress in Spanish and later had the opportunity to speak with the owner for at least ten minutes after our meal. Please pray for her and her family! Her name is Norma and her mother's name is Rosa. Her mother and father are in Mexico with COVID. The concern for them was evident as we spoke. Pray that the Lord will continue to touch her heart with the need for the Savior!



**1000  
Gospel of  
John books  
printed!**

Taking receipt of the freshly printed booklets from the printer. He had stayed up half the night the day before to finish them before we left!



**Great faith-  
promise  
conference with  
Hyde Park BC in  
West Monroe,  
Louisiana**

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## Thoughts from Stacie

### Travel Preparations

So a lot actually happened in September but it feels like multiple months. Actually just the trip itself and all the airports we had to go through felt like it belongs in it's own month but there really was a whole lot that went on besides that. The first thing we had to do was prepare to go. At the beginning of the month we had to make sure all bills we normally pay monthly were paid ahead for six months. Then we started going through our things and deciding what we were going to take and what we would leave behind. Once we had our belongings somewhat organized we then had to pull out and dust off all our suitcases from the different areas of the house where we had them stored for safe keeping.

Then we had to determine which instruments we were going to bring and which we would leave behind. Then we had to figure out how to pack the instruments. We waited to pack the rest of our things until the Friday we had our Covid Tests done. That in itself was a fun experience. (I don't have room in this report for all the experiences we went through to get to the United States. That will have to wait for a blog post... or two... or three.)

### Covid Tests

An Argentine friend of ours that was about to travel to Europe around the same time we were recommended her friend to us that could do our required Covid Tests and get our results back the same day. They were expensive but worth the speed we were able to get the results back in. The younger three children had their throat swabbed but the rest of us had the ones that go in the nose. That was quite an experience but praise the Lord, all tests came back negative and we finally felt free to finish packing.

### Crazy Travel Drama

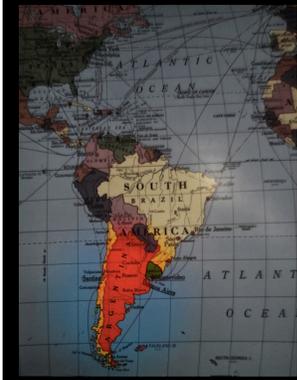
So I'm going to have to do a blog post of all the crazy stuff that happened in order for us to leave Argentina. Getting to the first airport with all our luggage and children was quite an event. It took a trip by car to get our luggage and half the family to the airport. Then being held up at a traffic checkpoint, finally getting released with just a warning, and finally parking the car, picking up the two remaining children, and a crazy taxi ride to the airport. Then we had to fly to Buenos Aires, Argentina get off the plane, retrieve all our suitcases, find transportation to the next airport for our departure flight (Another long story in which one taxi driver almost dropped me and three children off at a Holiday Inn.)

Once we finally got to the airport there was a whole lot of things we had to do just to leave the country but to spare the details and make a long story short... We barely made our flight by the skin of our teeth. I was the last passenger to board the plane with flight personel running with me with a two way radio saying they are with the last passenger. It was such a relief to finally be on board that plane. There was a couple of other things that occurred during the flight but I will save that for a future blog post.

We arrived in Houston and had no problem catching our final flight to Dallas. My parents and our daughter, Ruth, met us at the airport. We were also surprised by Bro. Chase Reynolds and Bro. Jonathon Smith greeting us with a basket of goodies and they were there to help Scott retrieve and load our luggage into the van my parents brought to pick us up. Of course a crazy trip wouldn't be complete without a tire blowing out on our way to my parents' house from the airport.

We did finally made it to my parents' house in Hillsboro and were so happy to spend a few days with our eldest son and daughter and even getting to see my brother's and sister's families before we headed off to the Missions Conference in West Monroe, Louisiana. God is good and we praise Him for helping us make it safely to see our family and friends.

**Thank you so much for praying for us! God hears and answers each and every one.**



**We are so happy be able to hug and spend time with our older children.**



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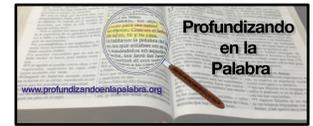


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**Thank you all so much  
for your continued  
prayer and support!**

September 2021 Financial Statement

Total Offerings from Sending Church and Supporting Churches

Anonymous - furlough		\$100.00
Bethel MBC	Sterling Heights, MI	\$100.00
Beulah BC	Lithia, FL	\$25.00
Brazos St. BC	Lockhart, TX	\$100.00
Cleveland MBC	Cleveland, TX	\$100.00
Eastside BC -	Broken Bow, Ok	\$50.00
Eastside BC	Jacksonville, TX	\$50.00
Emmanuel MBC	Bogalusa, LA	\$175.00
Faith Baptist	N. Little Rock, AR	\$200.00
First BC	Ranson, WV	\$214.88
Florence St. BC	Broken Arrow, Ok	\$135.00
Golden Meadows BC	Garland, TX	\$100.00
Grandview, BC	Henderson, TX	\$65.00
Landmark BC	Mt. Enterprise, Tx	\$300.00
Landmark MBC	Bogata, TX	\$30.00
Landmark MBC	Athens, Tx	\$100.00
Landmark MBC	West Monroe, La	\$150.00
Longbranch BC	Carthage, TX	\$200.00
Mac & Ruby Walls	Grand Rivers KY	\$100.00
Myrtle Tree BC	Patriot, OH	\$200.00
Nevills Chapel MBC	Mt. Pleasant, TX	\$372.90
Nevills Chapel MBC		\$425.00
New Shady Grove BC 2cks	Carthage, TX	\$231.88
Pinehaven	Pensacola, FL	\$50.00
Piney Grove BC	Somerset, KY	\$150.00
Rocky Branch MBC	Naples, Tx	\$125.00
Skyline MBC	Madison, AL	\$165.00
Sublett Rd. BC--	Arlington, Tx	\$50.00
Walnut St. BC	Hillsboro, TX	\$60.00
White Oak BC	Nancy, Ky	\$500.00
Westwood MBC	Winter Haven Fl	\$100.00

**Total Expenses for  
the month of September**

- Transportation Expenses
  - Auto Expenses
  - Parking Garage = 485.11 (for six months garage rental)
  - Taxi = \$149.62
  - Bus = \$5.09
- Housing Expenses = \$0
- Miscellaneous Expenses
  - Life Insurance = \$79.29
  - Samaritans = \$555
  - Language School = \$100
  - Phone/Internet = \$307.96
  - 7 PCR Covid tests = \$413.65
- Furlough deputation expenses
  - Vehicle expenses on Furlough = \$161.68
  - Deputation Meals = \$158.99
 (To, from and during work related appointments)



**Drinking fountains are something  
that you don't see in Argentina!**



**View from the window while flying  
into Buenos Aires**

**My wife thought it looked like we  
were going to land in the ocean**



**Before we had our last band  
class together I treated  
Jonathan to a Choripan.**