



Please Pray for The Maness Family

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Dirty Ice

We had been buying bags of ice from the store next to our house because of the heat. After about a week of using the Ice for our water, we noticed that there was a lot of nasty floaties in the water when the ice melted. We are not sure if that was a contributing factor in us getting sick or not.

Two weeks of sickness

During the middle of this month we had sickness that even shut down our midweek service for a week as I was sick at the same time as the family where we are meeting. I was sick for the first week and as I was getting better Stacie became sick. Thankfully as I write this we all are better and are diligent in His service.

A short rest

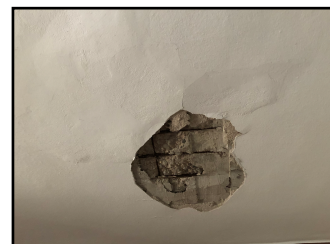
We had planned since last month to rent a house outside of town for a couple of days. The time that we went fell at the time that I was recovering from the sickness and Stacie was starting with it. The change of scenery was a blessing for the kids, even if only for a few days! Cordoba has been very hot lately, over 100° and in the house it gets very hot some days. Where we went had a nice breeze blowing throughout the day as it was on a lake in the mountains.

Cursed by false prophets but blessed by God!

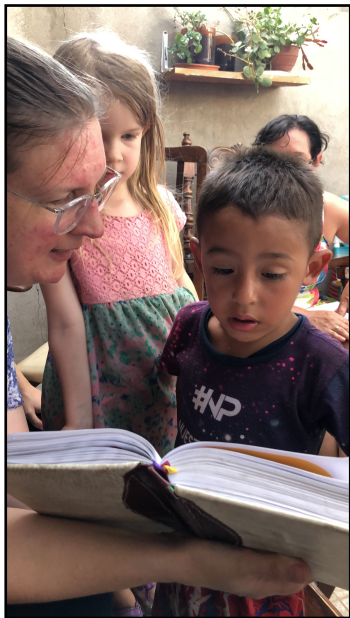
Continue to pray for the next door neighbor where we are meeting. She had a meeting at her home where she called her false prophet pastors to pronounce a curse upon us and on our Bible study on Wednesday night and upon the family where we are meeting. About this same time four of the people in their family became sick and it looked like we would not be able to have our special Christmas outreach. This took place on the Friday before Christmas. We prayed! They prayed and read scripture! The next day I received a phone call from them letting me know that they were all feeling better the next morning and they all wanted to still have the meeting that evening and not let Satan have the victory. We spent the rest of the day getting things ready and had the best meeting ever! We even prepared a gift basket for the lady next door that had been so vile to them and to us! Jesus had the victory for the evening!

The sky is falling the sky is falling!

Thankfully my kids are hard headed! towards the end of the month the plaster fell from the ceiling on into the middle of the dinning room table while the kids were eating lunch. The roof as already been fixed at the time that I am writing this but you never know what each day will include.



At the beginning of the month we had the last concert that Hannah, Jonathan and Elijah were in. We prepared gift bags that had several treats and gospel booklets in them. It was great getting to



We are so excited that the little boy that we have been teaching on Wednesdays will be starting school in the fall!

This may not sound like big news to some, but a month ago his family did not plan to put him in school. There are many in his neighborhood that have either never been to school or had never finished school!

Thank you for your prayers and support!



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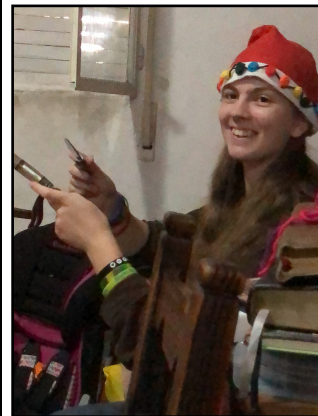
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Thoughts from Stacie

End of Year Band Concert and Last Violin Class for the Year

The beginning of December we had all of our end of year concerts and parties with the band and violin classes we are taking. Scott and the older three children had an end of year concert and the younger girls and I had our final violin class for the year. We made our last class special by having the rest of the family bring their instruments and we played Christmas songs with our violin teacher.



Weekend Getaway at the Lake House

Even though Scott still had a cough we decided to go ahead and escape the big city and head to the lake house. The last time we visited the lake house was about three years ago. It was good to get out of the dusty city and enjoy some fresh air. It was beautiful weather and Scott started feeling better. Then I started coming down with the same symptoms he had. Getting sick was not in our plans for the month.

Soccer - Argentina won the World Cup

Most of December was filled with excitement as Argentina competed for the FIFA World Championship. Soccer is super important in the culture here. It's bigger than the Super Bowl in the U.S. People here practically worship their favorite players and when Argentina won it was like all the problems of the world were solved in that final victory.

My Birthday

My birthday is December 20th. It can almost be easy to overlook but it hasn't stopped me from getting older. For my 46th Birthday the children made me cards and Hannah made me some homemade gluten-free sugar-free fried pies. Yes, I've reached that age! But taking the doctor's advice and changing my diet I've lost weight and feel much better now than I did when we first came here.

Christmas Shopping

We want to thank all the churches that sent us special Christmas offerings. We were able to not only buy gifts for our children but it also helped us to take them out Christmas shopping as well. Letting them shop for each other and us has been a tradition that we all love. It's fun to see what each one picks out for everyone. Then they also get to go out and buy gifts for us. The special offerings helped us be able to give them enough money to buy gifts they knew everyone would truly enjoy. It is also fun for us to see how much older they are getting in their gift selections.

A Christmas Blessing

We almost thought we weren't going to be able to have the special Christmas Eve celebration when several people from our Bible Study in Malvinas Argentinas fell sick. The Friday before Christmas we found out about those who were sick and also heard the sad story of the neighbor who had the elders from her church come curse the Bible Study and the home where we've been meeting. Scott asked the ones who were having problems with their neighbor to read Nehemiah who went through a similar situation while repairing the temple. That night I prayed for special Christmas blessing for our brothers and sisters in Malvinas Argentinas, asking God to bless them more than the others wanted them cursed. The next day as we were preparing the baskets to deliver to the families we received the news that they were all feeling better and wanted to continue with the plans for the Christmas Eve celebration.

Happy New Year!

We ended 2022 with thirteen in attendance in our Wednesday night Bible Study. We discussed goals and the possibilities for the New Year. In 2023 we would love to find a better place to meet and to add another service on Sundays. Please continue to pray that the Lord opens the doors as we continue to seek His will.



One Sunday the church in Cordoba where we visit asked Scott to translate for some special guests from the U.S. It was Bro. Victor's first time to have someone translate his sermon.

Thank you to the churches that gave us special Christmas offerings:

Emanuel MBC
Bogalusa, LA

Landmark MBC
Farmington, NM

Nevill's Chapel MBC
Mt Pleasant, TX

Victory MBC
Russelville AR

White Oak MBC
Nancy, KY



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December 2022 Financial Statement

Alvin MBC	Alvin, Tx	\$100.00
Benjamin Stafford	Murray, KY	\$200.00
Bethel MBC	Sterling Heights, MI	\$100.00
Bethel MBC 2 cks	New Orleans, LA	\$50.00
Beulah BC	Lithia, FL	\$25.00
Calvary MBC	Three Rivers, MI	\$100.00
Cleveland MBC	Cleveland, Tx	\$300.00
Concord MBC	Omaha, Tx	\$200.00
County Line MBC	Timpson, Tx	\$45.00
Eastside BC	Broken Bow, OK	\$50.00
Eastside BC	Jacksonville, TX	\$56.50
Emmanuel MBC	Bogalusa, LA	\$250.00
First BC	Ranson, WV	\$194.01
Florence St. BC	Broken Arrow, Ok	\$150.00
Golden Meadows BC	Garland, TX	\$100.00
Grandview BC	Henderson, Tx	\$100.00
Landmark BC	Mt. Enterprise, Tx	\$300.00
Landmark MBC	Bogata, TX	\$30.00
Landmark MBC	Athens, Tx	\$100.00
Landmark MBC 2 CKS	Farmington, NM	\$119.22
Landmark MBC	West Monroe, LA	\$75.00
Mac & Ruby Walls	Grand Rivers KY	\$100.00
Mt. Calvary MBC	Jackson, MO	\$100.00
Myrtle Tree BC	Patriot, OH	\$200.00
Nevills Chapel MBC	Mt. Pleasant, TX	\$372.90
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New Shady Grove BC	Carthage, TX	\$181.32
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	\$310.00
Westwood MBC 2 CKS	Winter Haven Fl	\$200.00
White Oak Bapt. Church	Nancy, Ky	\$500.00



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

Total Expenses for the month of December

- Transportation Expenses
 - Auto Expenses
 - Parking Garage = \$51.43
 - Gasoline for car = \$43.96
 - Taxi = \$0
 - Bus = \$3.27
- Housing Expenses = \$244.52
- Miscellaneous Expenses
 - Life Insurance = \$79.29
 - Samaritans = \$682
 - Phone/Internet = \$62.65
 - Office Rental = \$32.85
 - Bank Transfer Fee = \$120
 - Christmas Outreach = \$32.81
 - Office Supplies for Printing = \$24.70



First time to preach in a gaucho poncho!
It was a cool evening and our host passed
us out coats to keep us warm!



**Preparing Christmas gift baskets
for people in our neighborhood
and for our Christmas outreach!**



We had an amazing Christmas outreach!
They were all sick the day before but were well for
the meeting! To God be the glory!