

Navarrete's in Nicaragua

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Prayer Requests

Praise for a quiet and relaxing Christmas vacation.

Praise for the opportunity to go on Home service for 5 months in 2017.

Pray for provision for a place to live and a car to drive while in Canada.

Pray for our family as Alicia has gone back to work at the Nehemiah Center after a 4 month maternity leave.

Pray for continued financial provision for the next fiscal year.

Pray for health, safety and a balanced life while working and living in Nicaragua.

Financial Support:

If you feel led to partner with us and support our work financially here in Nicaragua, you can send donations to the CRWM Office by using the address found on page 2. Please write the name, Maynor & Alicia Navarrete, in the memo line and make your cheques payable to CRWM. You can also donate on-line by going to www.crwmm.org/navarrete. Thanks!!!

Dear Family & Friends,

Happy New Year!

We are excited about 2017 and what it holds for our family. After taking time to pray and discern, we'd like to share with you our plans of an extended visit for 5 months to Canada (May 1 – September 30, 2017). It has been 3 years since we've been in Canada and we've never stayed more than 8 weeks for a visit. We feel as though it is necessary at this time for us to reconnect with our family, friends and supporting churches.

We are excited because we have a desire to connect on a deeper level with those who have supported us for so many years. An extended visit will allow us to spend more time with our friends and families. However, we are also nervous because we've never done this before and it will require a leap of faith for all the details to fall into place.

We will need a place to live (in the greater Hamilton area), a vehicle to get around, household items and furniture and the funds to pay for all of these things. Especially since we will need to continue to pay our rent and other costs to maintain our place in Nicaragua.



So we are asking you to first of all pray for the preparations that need to be made for our visit and that our time in Canada will be filled with opportunities to connect with our supporters. We are also asking that if you have any leads on 2 bedroom apartments/townhouses (furnished or unfurnished) in the greater Hamilton area, that you will let us know. And lastly, if you have items on our "need" list (see second page) that we could borrow, have or purchase please contact us at alicia.hamming@gmail.com. We know that we have a God who provides and opens doors for those who follow and in that we are placing our trust. In our next newsletters we will share our anticipated schedule of visits and what has been provided for. Thank you all in advance for helping to make this happen for us.

We are so grateful and delighted about this opportunity to be in Canada in 2017. We are hoping it will be a time of renewed vision, rest and fellowship.

*In Christ,
Maynor & Alicia,
Myles and Arianna*

List of Needs for Visit!

1. 2 bdrm Apartment/Townhouse
2. 4 door Vehicle
3. Double/Queen bed
4. Single bed
5. Linens for beds
6. Dining room table and chairs
7. Living room furniture
8. Dishes set for 4
9. Pots & Pans
10. Cutlery for 4
11. High Chair
12. Diaper change pad
13. Microwave
14. Electric tea kettle
15. Baking pans
16. Kitchen supplies



First Cycle of Better Churches Workshop Ends

“What is your best memory from the last six months?” This question began the final dialogue from the first cycle of “Better Churches 1” workshops (June – November 2016), developed by the Nehemiah Center Church Strengthening Department.

Here are two responses from pastors and leaders:

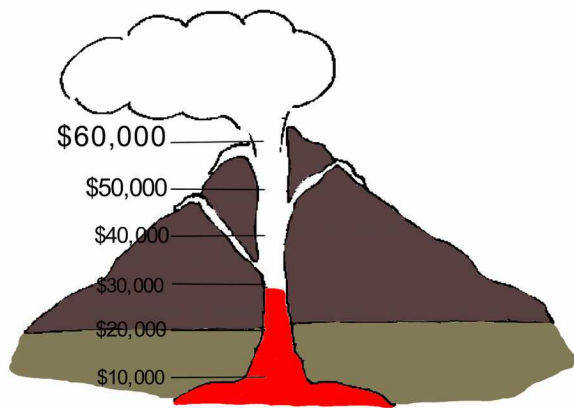
“My best memory is of the fellowship that we enjoyed with other ministries in the city.”
--Miguel Cubillo, Pastor of the Assemblies of God

“For me the best part was participating in the health diagnosis for our church and realizing the elements and vital functions that we need to strengthen.”
--Edwin Gutierrez, Leader at the Prince of Peace Church.

During the workshop, approximately 60 pastors and leaders accepted the challenge to review five elements and five vital functions of a healthy church in the light of the Bible, in order to later study and apply to their local churches a tool being used by the Church Strengthening Department called “Take your church’s pulse.”

“In the beginning we were afraid of how the congregations would react to the surveys,” said Pastor Jose Daniel Borge, “but after the first work session, all of the leaders were very enthusiastic about the process and were motivated to continue.”

We praise the Lord that many of the pastors who participated in the first phase have already used the survey in their congregations, have written an Action Plan to keep growing as a Healthy Church, and have pre-registered to continue studying in the “Better Churches 2” workshops.



As of January 4, 2017, we are just below 50% of our fundraising goal! We are so thankful for all those who have contributed to our ministry in Nicaragua. Pray that the other 50% will be raised by June 30, 2017.



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