Helping train Hispanic Kingdom workers

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### **God Did It!**

In our last newsletter we asked for prayer for a miracle, that God would provide a 4WD vehicle for our Costa Rican colleagues Manuel and Yorleny Porras to use in their ministry among various indigenous groups in and near Costa Rica where the roads can be almost impassable. To refresh your memory, Yorleny is one of Robert's students in a Master's course at ProMETA, and Manuel teaches at ProMETA. Yorleny and I have met online



The "new" car in action en route to one of the villages.

weekly for seven years to encourage and pray with each other.



Manuel, Yorleny and son Andy with their new-to-them work-horse!

(I mistakenly wrote two years in my last letter. I can't imagine how that slipped in, but it actually has been almost eight years now!) Yorleny is the one who connected us with ProMETA.

Long story short, God quickly provided the needed vehicle through a number of caring people who donated! Thank you all!

#### **New Miracle Needed**

Manuel and Yorleny currently rent a house that they feel would be perfect as a ministry home, and they would like to be able to purchase it. Please pray with us that if this is God's place for them, He will

provide what they need to be able to purchase it. While perhaps requiring more faith on their part and ours than a car, it is no obstacle for God! I've had to be prompted in the past to provide a way to donate, so this time I'll include that information to make it easier for those who want to help out monetarily. If God should lead you to donate, you can do so through Partners in Joy at <a href="https://www.partners-in-joy.org/the-porras-family.html">https://www.partners-in-joy.org/the-porras-family.html</a> or mail us a check made out to Judy Reed with "for Porras project" in the memo line, and we will see that they get your donation.



The house that Manuel and Yorleny are praying to be able to purchase.

## **Mother-daughter Get-away**

I just got back from my first of hopefully many more mother-daughter trips—this one with Christie, a brief trip to Charleston, SC for a convention that was of interest to us. It was an awesome four days with a surprise free day which we used to pamper each other as an early Mother's Day treat. And despite the convention being secular in nature, that is the place God chose to set me free from some deeply-rooted unhealthy beliefs about myself—lies that Satan snuck into my life as a result of events or circumstances in my life. Pray that every lie will be rooted out and replaced with what God says is true about me and that my relationship with Him will continue to deepen daily!



# **Thank You, Amazing Team!**



God is using you to help us prepare Hispanic pastors and missionaries for cross-cultural service through the Costa Rican ProMETA online school. Robert is applying his many years of academic experience in teaching, course development, and program development to his work with ProMETA to provide the best training possible to Hispanic Kingdom workers world-wide. **Thank you** for investing in us and our ministry through your friendship, prayers, and gifts. May God multiply back to you—many times over—all you do for us!

## **Praise and Prayer**

- Pray for Robert's and my health and for energy to throw ourselves with vigor into the ministry God has given us.
- Pray for increased support for Manuel and Yorleny and for the ability to purchase for their ministry the property they are renting.
- The Kaluli New Testament that my sister Sylvia and her husband Andy worked on for 32 years has been printed and the copies have arrived in PNG and are now waiting for Customs and paperwork to be completed at the port! There has been much unrest due to gangs that have moved into the Kaluli area from elsewhere, making a traditional dedication ceremony questionable at this time. Please pray for peace and for God's protection for the Kaluli people.