



Valentine's Day Surprise

On Valentine's Day, which also happened to be the 71st anniversary of Mom's wedding, she and I popped into Aldi to pick up some groceries. As I was putting the groceries into the car from the basket of the wheelchair where Mom was sitting, a little girl approached and presented her with a bouquet of flowers! Mom was so surprised and grateful for this act of kindness from complete strangers! She really wanted to write a letter to the editor of a newspaper and tell them what these kind people had done. "There are so many bad news stories, we need to hear good stories too," was her expressed desire. Being of a generation that knows little of newspapers, I settled for putting the story on my Facebook page and in my newsletter. 😊



Generational Ripples

The third Masters cohort of missions students started at ProMETA in February, and Robert is enthusiastic about his involvement with both the students and the staff.



Delcy (L) and Claudia (R)

Included in this cohort are two outstanding Colombian missionaries, Delcy and Claudia, whom we have known and loved for years. They are doing Bible translation for the Katio people in Colombia, Delcy for the last 28 years and Claudia for 15. Delcy is responsible for the translation and Claudia manages literacy and audiovisuals, and helps with logistics.

Here's the cool thing. Delcy hails from Monteria, Colombia, where Robert's folks ministered for a number of years. **She is the very first missionary**

sent out by the church in Monteria that Robert's dad pastored! I know that Delcy and Claudia would appreciate prayer as they press on in the midst of many difficulties. Also please pray for God's abundant provision for all their needs as they minister to the Katio.

Moving On

These are extra busy days for me (Judy) as I care for mom's growing needs and prepare for a probable move for her to my brother Stu's house around the end of March. He lives about ten minutes from our home. Unbeknownst to me when I invited Mom to live with us, Stu and his wife Ruth had been planning to care for Mom when she needed help. They even designed a room especially for her in the house they were building. It appears that the time has come for Mom to transition to their home. Although it is her desire to live there now, adjusting to a new place can be very hard on dementia patients. I can see the stress already building in her as she ruminates on change. Please pray for her and also for me as I do my best to care for and soothe her, and help her prepare for the move.

Praise and Prayer

- Pray for Robert's health and for energy to throw himself with vigor into the ministry he loves so much.
- Pray for consistent good sleep and energy for me and for the ability to care well for my dear aging mom and handle her health and dementia struggles competently. May Jesus emanate from me, saturating her with peace and contentment.
- Pray for Delcy and Claudia as they minister among the Katio in Colombia in challenging circumstances and concurrently work on a Masters degree through ProMETA.
- Manuel and Yorleny Porras, Costa Rican colleagues working amongst Costa Rican and Panamanian indigenous groups, need a four wheel drive car to make travel to the villages more do-able. Please pray for God's provision. They also dream of being able to buy the property where they are now living, as it would make a perfect home base for their ministry. Nothing is too hard for God!

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