



## *The Rodriguez Family* *Missionaries in Panamá*

July 2009

Dear Pastor and Friends

Hello from Panama! Praise the Lord for all that He has done for us.

**Trip to the States:** The Lord provided for us to take a trip to the states. We were in the states visiting from February 16<sup>th</sup> until May 11<sup>th</sup>. The Lord blessed our trip in the states and although we enjoyed seeing family and friends, we were happy to be get back home.

**Air Conditioner:** We have been praying for an A/C to put in the church and in the month of June the Lord answered that prayer. A new family that has been attending the church donated an A/C for our church. It so happens that he bought the A/C for his little internet business but he could not afford the light bill and so he had not been using the unit. We did a little "remodeling" and now are enjoying our Sunday services a little bit cooler. We still need to put in some glass doors and buy another smaller A/C for the nursery (being as we took that one to use with the bigger one so that it will cool effectively). Needless to say, our church members are real excited to see the Lord answers prayers.

**More Chairs:** We have also been praying for more chairs for the church being as our attendance has increased and on most Sundays we have people standing. We thank the Lord that He also supplied this need. A hotel organization donated chairs to Pastor Willis (his church is in David, Panama) and he donated 50 chairs to us. More answered prayer for our church members.

**Upcoming Anniversary:** This September we are making plans to celebrate our **4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**. Please pray for us as we are praying to have **400 in attendance**. Please pray for our guest preacher and also for the finances to cover the expenses; but most importantly, pray for the Lord to work in hearts, for visitors and salvations.

**Family news:** My wife is in her 8<sup>th</sup> month of pregnancy and the ultrasound is clear that it is a boy! We just came back from the doctor and she moved the due date up from August 26<sup>th</sup> to August 13<sup>th</sup>. We are excited to have the baby join our family but it is going to cost \$1500 of which we do not have as of yet. We are praying for the Lord to supply the money before the baby decides to come.

**Earth's loss but Heaven's gain:** Pastor Edgard Francis Daggett moved on to be with the Lord on June 25, 2009. This past May he was admitted to the hospital and diagnosed with liver cancer. Please continue to pray for Mrs. Estella Daggett as she starts this new chapter in her life. Pastor Daggett was the pastor of his church for 21 years and was a great influence in many of the lives here in Panama.

**Prayer Request:** The owner of our church building passed away last week. Not too long ago my wife had the opportunity to witness to her and she made the decision to trust Jesus as her personal Saviour. She and her husband were living upstairs, her husband is not well and so he will not be able to live there anymore. We have mentioned our interest in renting the whole building. Please pray for the Lord's will regarding this situation.

Thank you for your faithful prayers and support.

Sincerely your servant in Christ,

Rafael, Tracy, Evelyn, & Emily Rodríguez

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*and unto the uttermost part of the earth*