# Dewar Family Update



## BE JOYFUL ALWAYS...



Serving our LORD in Colombia August 2016

### Oh what a glorious day it will be!

As we live in a different country we find ourselves constantly amazed at the creativeness of our Creator. When learning a new language, it seems so simple to learn the word for "butterfly" (for example) but God didn't create just a butterfly He created countless shapes, sizes and colors of them. Some colors are so bright and vibrant I could stare at it all day and not get bored.





We can also see the fine detail He adds to coloring even a tiny little flower...



I hope you can see the detail on them

Everywhere we look, no matter where we live, we can marvel at the creative works around us, creative works that entice us to praise the LORD our God who is worthy of all praise!

"You are worthy, our LORD and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being." (Revelation 4:11)

"The heavens are telling of the glory of God; And their expanse is declaring the work of His hands." (Psalm 19:1)

But our hearts are breaking to know that there are so many people who do not see things that way. Who don't know the Creator of the universe nor give Him the praise He is worthy of.

"in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God." (2 Corinthians 4:4)

We need to pray that the Gospel will be preached in all the world and that those in darkness will be able to see the light. God's Word continues to tell us in 2 Corinthians 4:5-7, "For we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' made His light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and **not** from us." (emphasis added)

We also need to pray for all believers that we will not be deceived, that we will be able to know truth from lies.

"And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in real knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve the things that are excellent, in order to be sincere and blameless until the day of Christ" (Philippians 1:9-10)

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#### ...PRAY WITHOUT CEASING, IN EVERYTHING GIVE THANKS.

I Thess. 5:16-18

"But solid food is for the mature believer, **who by constant use** have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil." (Heb. 5:14) (Emphasis added)

This truth is what helps us remember the most important part of our day needs to be our time spent with our Saviour and studying His Word (the final authority to which all things need to be measured). As we continue to plug away at our first year here on the field we can rest assured that no matter how hard things get, how tough it is to learn a language or how difficult it is to adjust to a new culture we serve a God who is bigger than our biggest difficulty...

"Ah, Sovereign Lord, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too difficult for You." (Jeremiah 32:17)

...and it's through His mighty hand that this job will be finished!

"I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice, 'Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.'" (Rev. 7:9-10)

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"Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we can ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work in us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen." Ephesians 3:20-21