Created for a Purpose:

This past month we had the opportunity to represent the Vision School of Missions, at a College Expo, at the Ark Encounter in Kentucky. There were close to fifteen hundred high school students that came and we were able to speak with many of them about their future plans and encourage them about getting involved in serving the Lord in missions. Beth and I were able to share with them the special training opportunity they would have at the *Vision School of Missions* where they would learn about missions from missionaries that are serving on the field. A place where they could get not only their Bible training but also the practical application of being a missionary. We were also able to visit the actual *Ark Encounter* and *Creation Museum* with Titus our son and learn about how we are not just an accident in the evolutionary process but fearfully and wonderfully made, proving that God has a specific plan for each of our lives. It was also a great environment to challenge these students to show them that the Lord has a special plan for their lives and wants to use them in reaching this world with the gospel. From the beginning of creation, the fall of man, the pursuing judgement through the flood, and God's provision for eight souls through the Ark, we get a glimpse of His plan to redeem a lost and dying world through Jesus Christ. Just as in the days of Noah there are many who are in danger of perishing and we must do everything possible to reach them before its too late. We pray the Lord will work in the lives of many of these teenagers we spoke with and that we will see many future laborers prepared for the harvest.

Give Thanks:

This past month we were able to celebrate Thanksgiving with our families and had a truly special time. Especially since we are not here for the holidays, for several years at a time, we really enjoy being able to get together with family on these special days. This year we had a total of four Thanksgiving get togethers and meals. We first had a progressive meal with the *Vision School of Mission's* students where we had soup at one home, then the main meal at our house, and dessert at another home. Then we got together with our daughter and son in law Greg for a meal because they were not able to travel. We had a get together with my wife's family on Thanksgiving day and finally with my family on the following Saturday. Our family enjoyed all the fellowship and food but we now have to spend a lot of extra time in the gym just to break even:). I know Thanksgiving is the time we think about giving thanks, but we have so much in our lives to be thankful for that we could and should give thanks every day. We are thankful for you who prays for and helps us be able to serve the Lord. Our family is thankful for family and friends and the blessing and encouragement they are to us. Most of all we are thankful to the Lord for His many blessings and the privilege He gives us to serve Him.

Prayer Requests:

- 1. Pray for laborers to be raised for Bolivia and the World.
- 2. Pray for the economic situation in Bolivia as the government attempts to turn things around.
- 3. Pray for us as we travel and visit with family for the holidays.
- 4. Pray for the churches and pastor's in our ministry that the Lord will continue to guide and bless.



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