

ACTS IN ACTION

The A Family Net Update from the Bonilla-Giovanetti family

ABFMS Missionaries & MKs to Chile, In Puerto Rico, en route to Spain

September 2009

Time to celebrate



As we wrap up our time in the States at www.theafamily.net we take time to celebrate! This September AiA bulletin is as online; check the site thereafter for more updates.

As we moved our way from PA to OH to IN and into NY, we celebrate for the churches we visited through the months of Jul and Aug. We celebrated 21 years from the day Carlos and Mayra met in Colombia, as well as Carlos' and Alberto's birthdays while in PA. This month we'll be in NY, CT, RI, and NJ and head back to Puerto Rico on Sep 30. We celebrate these 2.5 months of sharing of what the Lord did in Chile during our last years of our second term, face-to-face with many of you in the States, especially in IN last month. We celebrate God's faithfulness and love to us in keeping us safe throughout the many miles on the road from state to state, city to city, church to church, and home to home. We'll celebrate our 20 years of marriage and Carolina's birthday while on the road...



New buds, new flowers, and bees to keep it going...

There is so much to celebrate! Our loving God is seeing us through the challenges of the day. We have Him and one another to face these challenges. We can see through the eyes of faith what the Lord is doing in the midst of uncertainty. We celebrate by faith that we will reach our MPT/N targeted goals and God's mission through our mission society around the world in more than 70 countries through 110 long-term missionaries and many other short-term volunteers will continue, thrive, and have sustainable growth to touch people's heart and change people's lives for years to come. Thank you for your gifts for *ongoing support* of missionaries as well as for your upcoming *World Mission Offering* gifts to undergird these ministries around the world.

Matthew 6:25-34 is a great passage to hold on to at this time. We are not birds of the air, lilies or grass of the field; we are God's children with a promise from our Provider for safety under His wings... so we seek first His Kingdom and righteousness and leave it up in His capable hands. Thanks to Him and to each of you who have faithfully obeyed His voice to come alongside us and our colleagues in missions. As our Area Director just reminded us, "Mission is risky... We are here with a purpose. Don't be afraid. We are in God's hands." Such hope calls for time to celebrate...

Together pressing toward the goal, your fellow sojourners,

The Bonilla-Giovanetti family

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You are invited to join The A Family Team & Network of individuals and churches who support the ministry of the Bonilla-Giovanetti family through prayer, encouragement, or financial support. To learn more or join their Missionary Partnership Network (MPN), contact Lee Riggs, Church Relations Advocate, at rev.riggs@gmail.com.

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