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September 2021 – Prayer Letter

Dear Beloved Brethren and Co-Laborers,

As always, we cannot over state this, we thank and we will keep on thanking our Eternal God, Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for sending us on this glorious mission. It is truly a joy as we do His will even in difficult times. We pray that His Holy Spirit will keep on guiding us in the right path of righteousness and to be obedient and faithful until the end. We understand that we are living in difficult times and we do immensely thank you for your support, prayers and we praise the Lord for your faithfulness.

As we keep on pressing on this glorious journey, **the restrictions for the month of October has been changed again, we can't go out on Mondays and on the weekends it alternates, starting this Sunday we can't go out.**

As we press on, please pray and continue to pray for the following prayer request:

PRAYERS

1. I want to share something, with you all, that I have been working on for the past year since the pandemic started that the Lord has impressed on my heart to do; the Lord is giving me wisdom on how to do it and I also need your prayers. I have been writing in depth Outlines and Commentaries in Spanish for all the books of the Bible, so far I have done the Book of Leviticus, Book of Psalms, the Epistle of James, the Epistles of John (1, 2, & 3), the Epistle of Jude; Lord willing by the end of this year I am praying and hoping to do the Epistles of Peter (1 and 2) and Philemon. It is truly a blessing and learning a lot. Also, I have put a pamphlet together of my experience in the hospital San Juan de Dios in San José, Costa Rica, based on Romans 8:28 written in Spanish and hoping to get it printed soon, the title is: **Focusing and Trusting in GOD in the midst of Difficulties & Storms.** The Commentaries and Outlines can be seen on our website at www.guilbauds2costarica.com under the Tab Spanish Bible Commentaries & Outlines.
2. Continue praying for our Bible Studies on Fridays and Preaching on Sundays virtually.
3. Our health in order to work in His vineyard. As I mentioned previously, It is going to be a long process for my recuperation before I can resume (full blast) to my normal activities. With all these setbacks, I am asking the Lord to give me physical strength to keep doing His work according to His will because He is in control of my health and my life; what the Lord started, He will fulfill it and keep His promises as long we are faithful to Him to the end – Philippians 1: 6. Thank you for your prayers, it means a lot to us. Continue praying for my wife as well as for physical strength, **she had a minor surgery in her right feet this past Tuesday the 28th of September.**
4. Place for the ministry – We are still working in getting drawings and all the documents necessary from the Association (the owner of the space is making things very difficult and complicated) & the Federal College of Engineers and Architects as well. We had to use another architect because the previous one elected not to continue with the project and because of that, it sets us back in getting the approval from the Ministry of Health and the Corps of Firemen. Once that issue is settled, we can move forward submitting the application to the Ministry of Health, the Corps of Firemen for their approval.
4. Pray about the COVID – 19, it keeps on increasing and has surpassed **530,113 cases with 6,349 deaths.**
5. Pray regarding the assembly of churches, the Ministry of Health has not given the full 100% to start because of the continuing increase of COVID – 19 cases. Some Churches have started to congregate, the allowable occupancy is still at 50% due to the COVID restrictions.

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6. **Driver's license** – Continue praying regarding this issue, please! I have received the documents needed from the Secretary of Commonwealth of Virginia. Now, I am trying to make an appointment with COSEVI (DMV in the USA) to get my Costa Rican License; they only give you one day which is Thursday from 8:00AM to 11:00AM to do it, only on line, and I have been trying for the past three weeks and no result. They make it hard and they don't work with you and especially if you are a foreigner.

As I mentioned in my last prayer letter I had the month of September to get all this resolved so I can drive legally and now I am stuck. I am still not sure what I am going to do yet regarding this issue of the entry date to Costa Rica which does not coincide with the issuance date on my driver's license; again, that doesn't make any sense at all. When I go to COSEVI, I will speak to them about it and if they don't collaborate with me then I may have to get a lawyer involved to resolve all this mess but I pray that I would not have to.

They are making things very complicated here even their own people, the Ticos, are saying the same thing.

Support Level

Our support went up to 84%. We pray and trusting in the Lord that it will go up by the time we start the ministry.

Safety with Travels

Protection on the road and the COVID – 19.

Schedule of Meetings

It will be a blessing if we can have meetings via the internet, with the Lord nothing is impossible.

Softness of Attitude

To stay close to God and focus on Him and the mission that is set before us, not on our circumstances because it very easy to get discourage at times.

PRAISES

1. **Praise the Lord that I am slowly recuperating with no major issues but my stomach is inflamed since three weeks ago, I made an appointment to see a doctor and to have an ultrasonic done but I have to wait until November 26, 2021 to have it done. Due to COVID everything is full and backed up even the hospitals. The Lord is good!**
2. Praise the Lord that our support went up 2%.
3. **Praise the Lord I had an opportunity to speak twice at the Pastor's fellowship this month, it is always a blessing!**
Praise the Lord for the ladies and the pastor's fellowship, supporting and praying for us as well during this time. We have another group, just for men, of which I am also involved and it is called "Men of Valor"; we meet once a month at the end of the month on Friday evening and Saturday morning.

Beloved Brethren, may the love of the Almighty God, the grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you All. Amen!

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