

He guides ... I walk

He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me. Psalm 23:3-4

Somehow we tend to get the idea that God leads us toward security and comfort, but I have to disagree when I look at our daily lives. Could it be that HIS paths of righteousness at times takes us straight through rough terrain so that we trust him more and we become more aware of his presence?

Many of you already know about our house situation in Guatemala and have been praying with us for God to intervene. After purchasing our home and living in it for two years we found out that the builder had taken out an illegal mortgage on the land that our home was built on. Then the owner of the company committed suicide, the company disappeared, the bank that holds the lien closed its doors, and we found ourselves in a legal mess in which we cannot sell our home until it is resolved.

We left Guatemala over a year ago, even with our house situation unresolved, trusting that God guided us to Colorado and that he will provide a solution for our house. In the meantime, it is being rented by a wonderful missionary family and is being used for ministry.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. Psalm 23:5a

He doesn't remove us from the battle, but he promises that he will be with us and give us what we need to keep going. We continue to trust, not knowing what will happen with our house in Guatemala, and we need your continued prayers. Please pray that the bank and judge would show favor toward our case, one of thousands that is affected by the illegal dealings of the bank that closed. It may be a long process, perhaps years; pray for endurance and faith as we face the presence of our enemies.

Fall update

This fall is looking different for us. Nell has accepted a job teaching half-day kindergarten at the girls' school. She is very excited to get in the classroom again and fulfill her passion for teaching. She will continue with her role as short-term coordinator at OC as her schedule permits.



I will be traveling more this fall than I did last year. In September I was in Costa Rica for a Latina 2009 planning meeting and a COMIBAM Latin American missions leader forum. It was a wonderful time to connect with leaders in Latin America whom I have known for years. This month I will be in Bulgaria and Romania. I will visit our OC team in Bulgaria, then travel by train to Bucharest, Romania, where OC's International Leadership Team meets to discuss the future of our worldwide ministry.



Kyle continues to encourage the Latin American missions movement.

The girls also have a full fall schedule. Elena is loving soccer, for the third season. She rips up the soccer field twice a week in practice and every Saturday at her soccer games. She also loves the girls on her team! It is so much fun for all of us to watch her play.

After watching the Beijing Olympics, Mikayla decided she wanted to try gymnastics this year. From day one she found a new love! Outside of gymnastics class we often find her stretching, doing the splits, and practicing back bends around the house.



Elena scoring lots of goals!

Support needs

This month we begin a new fiscal year. We are in need of raising more support in order to continue to serve at OC the way we are. With Nell continuing in her role and Kyle traveling more, we are about \$800 short of our monthly support requirement. Please pray with us that God would provide for this need.

Electronic prayer letters

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