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Prayer Letter April 2020

Our president made a wise decision and we started our quarantine before most countries here in America. It was the right decision to make and it has helped slow the pandemic way down. The main airport was closed and we were all sent home. We are almost at one month of confinement. Our lives have changed. As in most countries we are only allowed to go to the grocery, the pharmacy, and the hospital. We are under strict measures of security. We have a total of 79 cases in El Salvador, with 5 deaths. The good that has come from all this is the empathy we are showing one to another. Life has stopped, for so many! But many opportunities to preach the Gospel have opened up to us. I was invited by the police to pray for the city and the entire country. We have physically gone to each neighborhood, into the small communities and we have given a short message and prayed, as I stood in the back of the police truck. I have also had the opportunity to listen to people, as they share through open windows and doors. They are grateful to receive prayer and encouragement while they shelter in place. What a privilege. I was able to get down from the truck, and pray with specific people, while still keeping a safe distance.

We are sensitive to the needs of the people around us and are making sure they have masks and gloves to stay safe. (We had some of these items left over from the medical team that came last July). This has been such a blessing since there are none of these items available anywhere! Thank you,



to the medical team that left these supplies. They have been a timely gift.

We have also met together in the center of the city to pray to God for safety. Many are crying out to God. "Lord, have mercy on us, forgive us and heal our land." (2 Chronicles 7:13-14) Our health care system is weak, and "only God can save us," were our president's words. Here we are brothers and sisters, trusting in God, just as you are doing. He is in control.

I want to thank you for your prayers, for us and for our country. I am praying for you as I hear news from each of the cities, states, and countries you live in. May the Lord keep you and hold you as we all have to live during this time. *You are in my prayers!*



God Bless you.

In Him

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