



## Family Update

We are so excited to announce that we are expecting!!! Baby Barreto will be arriving in March of 2021! This is something that my husband and I have prayed for and we feel so blessed by this little miracle. Please join us in praying for a healthy pregnancy and healthy baby.

We would like to take a moment to answer a few questions that we have gotten on this topic:

- 1) Our plan is to stay in Colombia and have the baby here. We still feel called to serve here in Colombia and are excited to do so as a family of 3.
- 2) We plan for our child to have dual citizenship. When we originally asked we were informed that we simply have to declare our child's birth at the US embassy to receive US citizenship. If this is not the case, we can get their citizenship by moving to the US before their 18th birthday. If you have any information on the subject of children born outside the US (US citizen mom and foreign citizen dad) we would appreciate your insight.
- 3) We have good medical coverage that provides pregnancy care, but we are looking to add a package to our plan that will provide some additional benefits throughout the pregnancy and birth. This addition will cost about \$50 extra each month. If you feel led to help us cover this monthly expense, please see the information at the end of this letter about how you can give.
- 4) Kayla is no longer riding the motorcycle (much to her mother's relief). We are mostly using taxis and buses to travel to doctor's appointments, pick up missionaries from the airport (during normal ministry), and travel to and from ministry locations with supplies. We are saving up for a car so that we can avoid the added expense of taxis and buses. Also, due to safety concerns with crazy bus drivers, we are not comfortable continuing to use buses as the pregnancy continues or with a newborn. We currently have \$1000 saved and are in need of about \$2000 more for a gently-used family car. Please join us in prayer for this need. In order to be able to use a car-seat for our child (which is not a common practice here) we will need to have our own car.



## Current Conditions in Colombia

We are currently wrapping up our second round of the mandatory "Stay-Home" order. During this strict quarantine, there is very little that we can do in terms of ministry. The only permissible reason for leaving your home is for medical appointments or to buy food and medications. This means that unfortunately we could not continue visiting families during the strict quarantine.

As soon as the strict quarantine ends we will resume ministry to the fullest extent that we can within the law. Check out the next section with our "Ministry Update" to see exactly what we have been able to do during the months of June and July (as well as future plans).

**For additional updates follow us on our Facebook page at: [fb.me/BibleWithTheBarretos](https://fb.me/BibleWithTheBarretos)**

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## June/July Ministry

June and July were filled with various restrictions, but even so God blessed us with the opportunity to share His Word with many families online and in person during this time.

- Hosted and assisted with 3 different Zoom conferences for current and future Bible Institute students.
- We helped create videos and a written manual for one of four classes that will be distributed as mobile Bible Institute classes to rural areas in various Latin American countries.
- We started delivering weekly devotionals and Bible lessons to adults and kids. Each week we visit the families to pick up their completed assignments and drop off a new lesson for the upcoming week. We currently have 80 kids and adults completing weekly Bible lessons.



## Prayers:

- For a healthy pregnancy and baby.
- For God's continued provision during this time as our monthly expenses have increased.
- For the ability to continue blessing families with food and other necessities during this time.

## Praises:

- God has protected our family both in the States and in Colombia. We are all safe and well.
- For the incredible ministry opportunities and open hearts.

## Upcoming Ministry Opportunities

- Our next Zoom class for the Bible Institute will be in September.
- A donation came in just before the strict quarantine to purchase groceries. Due to the quarantine regulations we were unable to purchase the groceries in July, but we are excited to bless many needy families who are in desperate need after these last few weeks of quarantine (they have not had any income during this time). We trust God and His timing and are certain that these groceries have arrived at just the right time.



- As soon as the strict quarantine ends we will continue to deliver weekly Bible lessons to families in our neighborhood.

**If you are interested in supporting our ongoing ministry financially with either monthly or one-time giving you can do so in a few different ways.**

**1) By going online to <https://world-reach.org/> and clicking on "Donate Now" then select "Andrés and Kayla Barreto."**

**2) You can also mail checks, with "Andrés and Kayla Barreto" in the memo line, to:**

**World Reach, Inc.**

**P.O. Box 26155**

**Birmingham, AL 35260**

(Checks should be made out to World Reach)

**3) The third option is through an EFT automatic withdrawal.**

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