

BARRETO FAMILY// SPRING 2024



So Much to Be Thankful For

On March 23, Samantha Evelyn Barreto joined our family and made a very dramatic entrance into this world.

The natural birth we had been planning and hoping for quickly changed into an emergency c-section when my old incision (from my first c-section) opened up during labor. We give all glory to God and are so grateful to each of the medical professionals that took part in my care. Without their quick actions and incredible expertise this story could have ended very differently. Every day we look at each other and our two beautiful daughters and thank God that we get to raise them together.

So, it didn't all go as we had planned, but we could not have been in better hands and we are so thankful to be here together and to be able to continue serving HIM as a family.

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

God doesn't expect us to have everything planned and figured out... He just wants us to trust Him daily and walk with Him in faith.

In the moments when you don't know what else to do... pray.



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HIS Daily Bread

This past month we have truly needed to lean into the Lord and trust HIM to provide HIS daily bread for us both physically and emotionally.

One morning as we left our host home we encountered a loaf of bread waiting for us at the top of the basement stairs. This isn't the first time this has happened. We have amazing and loving upstairs neighbors who have loved us so well since we arrived. With all of the chaos and challenges, encountering the loaf of our favorite bread stopped us in our tracks. Teary-eyed, my husband simply sat down on the stairs and thanked the Lord.

This physical bread was just the reminder that we needed that day. It reminded us that God is with us, He sees us, He is walking with us, and He will provide for our daily needs; just like the manna for the Israelites. So, we just need to focus on HIM, God is enough.

Right now it can feel overwhelming if we try to look to far into the future at what our healing journey will look like and how we are going to process our Colombian and US documents in order to fly home to Colombia. So, for now we will just lean into the Lord and trust HIM for our daily bread.

**SAMANTHA means
"God Hears"**

**EVELYNN means
"Desired Child, Wished for"**



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Then the Lord said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions."

EXODUS 16:4

PRAISES

- God provided the medical staff necessary to keep Kayla and Samantha safe.
- We are healing a little more every day.
- We have Samantha's US birth certificate and Social Security card!
- All of Samantha's exams have come back and she is in perfect health!!!

PRAYERS

- Continued healing.
- Quick processing of all of the paperwork baby girl will need in order to travel to Colombia (Colombian birth certificate, US passport).
- Grace and mercy as we transition to a family of four.
- The ability to continue to serve the church in Colombia as we travel.