March 2025 INFECTIOUS MISSION The Maradiaga Family

Thankful.

Como esta tu vida con el Señor? How is your relationship with the Lord? A question we asked many patients over the first two weeks of February as we joined a team of dentists and doctors in an outreach to our community. We talked and prayed with over 150 patients in four different communities. Our first day was in the public health clinic, where we also shared the Gospel. One community we traveled to by boat, and one was in the mountains. There were several patients who received Christ for the first time, and some who recommitted their lives to Him. Several others really



pondered the questions we asked them. Please pray that the Lord will continue working in the



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hearts of these people to draw them to Himself. It was awesome to have some of the Honduran doctors from our hospital volunteer to go with us and serve the surrounding villages.

So, life has been a little crazy lately. Right before the visiting dentists came, I had two employees in the lab on medical leave at the same time. I had to work six days straight to help cover for them and then the weekend the dentists were here. For the two weeks, Dr. Zoch and his wife were here, we held clinic in four communities each Tuesday and Friday. This is the first time the hospital has done this kind of community outreach, and we pray it's the beginning of something new for our area.



The last Sunday in January, we had a very significant event take place at our house. At midnight, I awoke to hearing glass break outside. When I opened my eyes, there was a very strange orange light outside. I ran to the window in our bathroom to see what was going on, and I saw our older truck blazing in 10-15 foot flames. We ran outside as quickly as possible. Calix moved our newer truck so it wasn't close; I screamed to the neighbors for help. Calix told me to get everyone out of the house, because if the truck exploded, our house could catch on fire. We evacuated the kids and all waited on the porch until the fire was out. Thankfully, the Lord woke me up. The fire was about six inches from reaching the gas tank which could have exploded. Our entire truck was gone in a matter of minutes. (This truck was too old to have insurance in Honduras.) This was one of the scariest things I have ever experienced.

Soon after, we borrowed the hospital's Land Cruiser for the ministry in the mountains on the last Friday we had clinic in the communities. While we were in clinic, someone said one of the vehicles had smoke coming from it. The Land Cruiser that we had borrowed from the hospital to help transport the team of nine caught fire spontaneously. It burned the dashboard where the radio is, the windshield, the sun visors, and the roof. So, please pray for us after these last few weeks have been extremely busy and stressful.

Marriage Conference

A visiting team taught at a Valentine's Day marriage conference where we had 15 couples show up, the most couples ever. This was the same day as the fire in the Land Cruiser up the mountain. We know the Lord has great plans for these couples in our area who honor their marriage covenant.



Vehicle Need

After our spontaneous truck fire, and taking out the hospital gate in our older truck (February 2024), we have decided not to invest more in that truck since it would probably cost more than \$8,000 to fix. We really need support to buy another affordable truck in order to have a 2nd vehicle. We need to raise about \$7,500 in order to start looking for this. Would you be willing to help us raise these funds?

Jove, Christine, Calix, Samantha, Jucas, & Jevi

Support

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