

# OUR FATHER'S PERSISTENT LOVE MINISTRIES, INC.

MINISTRY UPDATE

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*"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation: the old has gone, and the new has come."  
2 Cor. 5:17*

## *Praise/Prayer Requests*

- \* Please continue to keep my healing from burnout in your prayers. The Lord has brought me a long way but I still have a ways to go. I am feeling a lot better.
- \* Thank you for your prayers for the trip to Indiana and for Pastor Wagner and Cindy's visit. It was a huge blessing for everybody! !
- \* Please pray that I can get my time slot back in the Immigration Unit in Hudson County Jail. I really like ministering to these ladies! Great practice for my Spanish too!
- \* Please continue to pray that I can keep a good balance as I start teaching in the county jails again. This is where the stress and madness is! Ha!
- \* Please pray for our Board Meeting on April 23rd. There are many decisions that need to be made and we will be discussing some new ideas for the prison ministry!
- \* Thank you for all your prayers and support you give to this ministry. You mean the world to me and I'm so grateful for each and every one of you.



## *We just love Biblical Counseling!*

We had another great trip out to Indiana for the Biblical Counseling Training Conference this past February. We were super excited as both Pastor Wagner and his wife Cindy from Calvary Chapel Costa Rica were able to attend this year. They were able to take the training in Spanish!! What a great blessing for them. We traveled with our largest group so far (12) which included two new first timers. Thank you for your prayers, as we did lose some luggage on the way out, and had some delays on the trip home, but no major snowstorms! We know it was because you prayed!

## *Sharing the Work in Costa Rica*

After returning home from Indiana, Wagner and Cindy were able to stay with me for a week. We were able to visit some neat places and it was a great opportunity for me to once again practice my Spanish. I thought I had forgotten everything, but realized once I started speaking again it all came back quite nicely. I even learned some new phrases to boot! I want to thank all the people that came out for the dinner we had in support of these precious missionaries. Scott and Donna did a great job hosting our event and we all were blessed with hearing an update on all that God is doing in Costa Rica.



*Miriam (right) translates for Cindy*



*Iris and Debbie*

### ***Keswick at Easter***

I had the opportunity to sing in the Keswick Celebration Choir this Easter. The music was beautiful and from the Cantata, "Near the Cross". I loved being able to sing again and being back amongst the Keswick family. I complete my aftercare this month, and will soon be completely graduated and cleared to start transitioning back into a more normal ministry schedule! Thank you for your prayers through this time of rest. It was something I really needed and am so grateful for it!

### ***Family Time***

During my time of aftercare, I was able to enjoy some family time. My Dad at the age of 84 years old is still visiting and ministering to the men in Freehold County Jail. The men love him and he has much wisdom to share over all his years in ministry. We enjoyed Thanksgiving together and I have to say that my Dad is still the best "carver" of turkey in the whole wide world.



*Bob and Dan*



*Lesley, Gwendy, Natalia*

### ***Special Ladies***

I am praising the Lord for Lesley and Natalia. God gloriously saved them both in their time of incarceration. They are both out and doing extremely well. I'm so very proud of the work God has done in their lives. It's not easy transitioning back to the real world. So much has changed in the meantime. They both joined us for Easter dinner and our table was full of great testimonies of all that God has and is doing.

### ***Cousins***

My niece Julia is growing up to be a beautiful young lady who loves the Lord. She has won many awards in her school and loves serving and caring for others. She is really smart too!! Cousin Eden came for a short visit at Christmas time and fell in love with Julia. Eden (my oldest sister Ruth's granddaughter) lives in Missouri so doesn't get here much. We were grateful for the time we had with her. How cute are those two faces!!



*Julia and Eden*